

THE COMPLIANCE CORNER

Official Newsletter of the UC Compliance Office

June 2014

RECRUITING CALENDARS

BASEBALL

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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MEN'S BASKETBALL

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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FOOTBALL

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

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XC/TRACK & FIELD

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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VOLLEYBALL

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ALL OTHER SPORTS

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Summer Reminders



Summer Workouts

- In sports other than Football and Basketball, summer workouts and conditioning must be voluntary except for pre-season practice prior to classes starting.
- Voluntary weight training and conditioning may be supervised and conducted by a member of the strength and conditioning staff so long as they are initiated by the student-athlete and no countable coaches are in attendance.
- Apparel and equipment may be used by returning student-athletes for summer workouts, in accordance with Equipment Room policy.
- For information on the limitations on prospective student-athletes in regards to summer workouts, please view the chart for your sport on page 2 of this month's Compliance Corner.

Coaches Certification Exam

The Compliance Staff will administer the 2014-15

NCAA Division I coaches certification test on three separate Wednesdays in June. All coaches who will recruit off-campus during the 2014-15 cycle must receive a passing score on the test before being permitted to recruit. **The test will be administered in the Computer Lab on the 5th floor of the Lindner Center at 10am on June 4, June 18, and June 25.** Remember to be present for one of the testing days!



2.1 Chart of Activities

	NLI and Not Enrolled in Summer School	NLI and Aid for Summer School	Transfer-Scholarship /Admittance Offer and No Aid for Summer School	Transfer and Aid for Summer School	Walk-On and No Aid for Summer School	Walk-On and Aid for Summer School	Walk-On and Not Enrolled in Summer School
FOOTBALL Academic Support	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Voluntary Workout	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Other Activities	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Voluntary Workouts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes- ONLY if weight room is open to public
Apparel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
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MEN'S BASKETBALL Academic Support	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Voluntary Workout	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Other Activities	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Voluntary Workouts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes- ONLY if weight room is open to public
Apparel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Academic Support	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Voluntary Workout	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Other Activities	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Voluntary Workouts	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes- ONLY if weight room is open to public
Apparel	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
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ALL OTHER SPORTS Academic Support	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Voluntary Workout	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yesz	Yes	No
Medical Expenses-Other Activities	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Voluntary Workouts	Yes-supervised , not conducted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes- ONLY if weight room is open to public
Apparel	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

Stopping autonomy requires reasonable alternative

By John Infante, The Sporting News
May 27, 2014

To many, including Big 12 commissioner Bob Bowlsby, the debate over the major pieces of the NCAA's new governance structure is all over but the shouting. But Boise State president Bob Kustra has plenty left to shout:

"This naming and the \$12.5 million that comes with it is more critical at this time of our history than any time before given the NCAA reforms that are about to be implemented," Kustra said. "Now we're fighting those reforms, and the Mountain West is fighting those reforms, because we think they're excessive. We think we treat our student-athletes well. But when you look at the cost of attendance jumping from its original \$2,000 to \$3,800 now — then there's the food addition (unlimited meals) — if you add all that up, that's millions of dollars for an athletic program. I have no doubt that the Big Ten and the SEC are designing these reforms to try to leave some people behind. This is about leaving the Boise States behind and making sure the Alabamas and the Tennessees and whoever they are can march right along."

Kustra obviously sees this as a pivotal moment in the history of both the NCAA and Boise State. Fifty years ago Boise State was not even a four-year college. The Broncos have been at the highest level (IA or FBS) for less than 20 years. For the past few years, Boise has been achingly close to the promised land. They were one play away from possibly playing for a national title and would be in a power conference if not for geographic isolation, TV markets, and a bit of academic snobbery. After coming so close, it is easy to understand why Kustra refuses to see it all slip away.

Where Kustra misses the mark is by focusing on the substantive changes desired by the power conference schools, not the process changes. Cost-of-attendance scholarships are not going to be the thing which expands the gap between Boise State and the SEC. Kustra admits as much by noting the school has just tapped a previously unused revenue stream that could pay for the reforms. While Iowa State is worried about how to pay for expanded food for athletes and bigger scholarships, Boise State can cross those items off the to-do list.

Instead, Kustra should be arguing against autonomy. Autonomy is the real threat since it forces a school like Boise State to play catch-up in an arms race that now it no longer has any say in. Cost-of-attendance is an easy-to-define number. You can plug it in as a line item in the

budget. It might be big, but you know what it is and you can (or in Boise's case already have) go out and generate the additional revenue or cut costs elsewhere to pay for it. The costs of reforms that could come out of an autonomy system are undefined, limitless, and will increase as fast as power conference revenue.

Despite the fact that it seems inevitable, autonomy is still a tough sell. The rich getting to make their own rules is an uneasy topic no matter where it comes up. As autonomy gets closer, evidence of divisions among the power conference schools is emerging. The Big Ten would not be arguing for lower voting thresholds if everyone was still in lockstep. The reason is obvious once you look at athletic department revenues. The 25th wealthiest athletic department in the country has only about half the revenue as the richest. As soon as autonomy is in place, 20-40 schools instantly become a new group of have nots. And unlike Boise, they do not have experience being have nots, making decisions based on budgets rather than rules while competitors increase the gap.

There is still a version of this story that does not end with autonomy. But there is not one that ends with the value of a full grant-in-aid remaining where it is today. The mid-majors already tried that and failed, leading us to where we are today. Kustra's comments fuel the belief by the power conferences, under enormous external pressure to get reforms done, that they can no longer work with the rest of Division I. The schools in the middle to bottom tiers of the power conference would rather become have nots while retaining voting power and influence than become have nots through unionization and an endless parade of court cases.

To build those alliances, the rest of Division I (especially the rest of FBS) need to present a more reasonable alternative. That alternative has to include the following:

- Cost of attendance scholarships and looser benefit rules;
- Re-weighting of votes in a shared governance structure;
- A simpler set of committees that includes more athletic directors and student-athletes;
- A commitment to study the other reforms requested by the power conferences with the understanding that true competitive equity is at best impossible, at worst undesirable.

This is the governance model proposed by the steering committee just without the autonomy piece but with major reforms passed this summer, not later. That puts the onus back on the power conferences to explain why they want autonomy when the rest of Division I has agreed to work with them and provided real progress as a gesture of good faith. The power conferences would also then be in the position of restricting who would benefit, not the champions of doing more for athletes. That makes autonomy a much tougher sell, especially given the insistence the power conferences want to stay in the big tent of Division I.



COMPLIANCE STAFF DESIGNATIONS

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Men's Soccer	JumpForward
Tennis	Eligibility Certification
Track & Field / XC (M & W)	

Brian DeCarlo

Baseball	Admission
Football	Camps & Clinics
Men's Golf	Donation Requests

Lindsay Jaffe

Lacrosse	Financial Aid
Women's Soccer	Housing
Swimming & Diving (M & W)	
Volleyball	

Brandon Wright

Basketball (M & W)	Rules Education
Women's Golf	

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Please provide this information to your student-athletes!

DID YOU KNOW?: Coaches may not send generic "Good Luck" or congratulatory messages that mention a specific high school through Twitter or Facebook or other social media sites. For example, "Good luck, City High School, at the State Track and Field Champions" through a public site would constitute an endorsement of the high school.

CONGRATS!

To Nick Bowes who was the first to correctly spot the violation reported by Ohio State in May's Compliance Corner that is no longer a violation. The violation that was reported was a coach accepting a friend request from a prospect prior to the initial date for electronic communication. The NCAA staff recently determined that a staff member who initiates or accepts a friend request or "follow" from a prospect or their parents or legal guardians may do so at any time. Congratulations to Nick on winning a gift card to Currito!



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BEARCAT SPIRIT!

Congratulations to the following former **FOOTBALL** student-athletes who recently signed NFL contracts:

- Blake Annen, Philadelphia Eagles.
- Greg Blair, Cleveland Browns.
- Andre Cureton, Dallas Cowboys.
- Brendon Kay, Pittsburgh Steelers.
- Anthony McClung, Houston Texans.