

NORTH ATLANTIC DIVISION

Meeting held November 2, 2011, 4:00 PM a second meeting took place December 7, 2011

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; Bates College, Kristy Zera; Wellesley College, Alexandra Simas

The call began with a discussion regarding the viability of the division in the event Middlebury switches to the New England Division. The Commissioner indicated that if Middlebury desired to do so and no other New England team was willing to switch to the North Atlantic Division, the two divisions would merge and use a combined schedule. The downside to this happening is the loss of an automatic bid to the National Championship. Middlebury stated they would make a final decision following the New England conference call.

The league schedule was the next item on the agenda. Conflicts were discussed and teams could not locate three weekends that would be free for everyone. Consequently, Bates agreed to play on the first weekend of their spring break and teams voted to have a regular season event during the first weekend of the Bowdoin's spring break. The dates were selected as follows:

- March 3-4 Wellesley (Bates as a back-up)
- March 10-11 Bowdoin (if they are able to field a team since it is spring break)
- April 14-15 Middlebury

Hosts were reminded to complete the Pool Reservation Form, found under the Forms section on the website. Hotels will be reserved once these forms are submitted.

The Commissioner mentioned the new Orientation Program for all Team Leaders is required. The program consists of three webinars and can be accessed via the Membership Page. There is also a fundraising webinar that provides some great tips to help teams raise money that is optional.

Media Guide information needs to be submitted before teams leave for winter break and a form can be used online to submit the roster and team summary.

The Commissioner reminded everyone to have their Club Supervisor submit a Participation Contract by December 15 to ensure eligibility. It can be found on the Forms tab.

Teams were encouraged to send in pictures or story leads to enhance the interest of the website. Likewise, Team Leaders should take advantage of the Player of the Week program and nominate athletes each week, regardless of whether the games are within the CWPA league play or non-conference.

All coaches were urged to complete an Evaluation Form about the officials following each of the competitions. This form is found under the Forms tab of the website. If you are unsure of which referee you are evaluating, go to the officiating section and click on their picture for easy identification.

Each team contact should ensure their athletes have read the Code of Conduct before the season starts. Likewise, Deck coaches should adhere to the Dress Code established. Teams were also reminded to update their contact information using the link on the Membership page.

Conference Call II

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The division met jointly with the New England teams and it was unanimous that the original divisions remain split, with Wesleyan joining the North Atlantic and Middlebury moving to the New England Division.

Sites and dates were not able to be confirmed since neither Bowdoin nor Wesleyan were on the call. Wellesley indicated they think they are approved for March 3-4. The Commissioner stated he would get back to everyone once he reached the missing teams.