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NADFO Board Meeting - Dallas - Feb. 25, 2006

Attending: Jon Bible (Big 12), Jack Folliard (Pac 10), Bob Taylor (WAC), Doug Rhoads (ACC), Karl Richins (Mt. West), Bill Alge (MAC), Mike Miles (Sunbelt), Ron Boyd (Big East), Steve Newman (Big 10).

1. Bowl Compensation: Jon reviewed our efforts to represent NADFO members before the various organizations and individuals involved in determining the bowl compensation package for officials. We have proposed a fee increase and progress is being made. Several influential people involved in the process strongly advised us to not seek spousal/companion travel compensation and the Board decided to honor this request. There will be increases in the overall package and hopefully this will help defray the expense of spouse/companion travel. Jon will continue to work on this issue and will attend a meeting with the NCAA committee in April.

2. USA Football: Invited guest speaker, Tony Michalek, USA Football Director of Officiating, spoke to the Board about this relatively new non-profit organization. USA Football (www.usafootball.com) is an independent, non-profit organization created in 2002 by the NFL and NFL Players Association with the mission to support, promote and expand all levels of amateur football. USA Football offers in-depth youth football resources focusing on coaching education, league enhancement, officiating development, and health & safety awareness for administrators, coaches, officials and parents. USA Football is the first national advocacy group for youth football.

Tony sought NADFO's endorsement as he viewed our association as a valuable partner with USA Football, particularly in provided high-level college officials to assist with USA Football's extensive training efforts. The Board unanimously voted to endorse USA Football.

3. Annual NCAA Rules Committee meeting: Jon attended this year's rules committee meeting in Indianapolis. Replay was a major topic and will be continued with modifications. Much emphasis was placed on proposals designed to shorten the

length of games. While not finalized, the NCAA is considering establishing a permanent advisory position on the rules committee for a representative from NADFO, possibly at NCAA's expense. The Board continues to view our participation at the rules committee meetings as vital in pursuing our mission.

4. Recent Adverse Media Reports/Media Guide: The Board discussed the adverse media comments in this year's bowl games regarding officials and officiating. The NADFO Board of Directors supports those crews who were subjected to the adverse and incorrect comments by media personnel reporting on the bowls. In line with these concerns the Board will initiate the following actions:

1. A letter will be sent to the NCAA raising these serious issues.
2. The Board will seek advice from public relations experts in regards to enhancing the image of officials and officiating at the collegiate level.
3. NADFO will develop a basic media guide detailing and explaining the college rules and their differences from the NFL rules. The simple easy-to-read booklet will be provided to media as an aid which could be referred to during the broadcast of the games. Bill Alge, Karl Richins, Bob Taylor and Jack Folliard will develop a draft - the goal is to have something in place for the upcoming season.

5. NASO: The board will continue to develop its relationship with NASO, the only organization in the United States which advocates on behalf of officials. All division 1A football officials are encouraged to join NASO and participate in its programs.

6. NADFO/IMG May clinic: There will be a NFLRA/IMG/NADFO officiating clinic in Florida on May 12-13. Some of the NADFO board members will serve as clinicians. In 2005 a NFLRA/NADFO clinic was held in Dallas, but the NFLRA believes that it should be moved around, hence the move to Florida this year. The NADFO board discussed the idea of conducting a separate NADFO clinic in Dallas in 2007, but decided to continue with the present arrangement.

7. NADFO structure and bylaws: The board felt it was time to re-examine the basic structure of NADFO and to adopt by-laws. Steve Newman provided a rough draft of proposed bylaws. Much discussion ensued. Steve will incorporate the ideas into the next draft and distribute to the board.

8. Insurance: Beth Andrews, from K&K Insurance, presented an insurance package including disability and medical coverage. Jack Folliard distributed copies of the game fee reimbursement package the Pac 10 has been using for the last two years. Insurance coverage decisions should be made by each individual association. NADFO will continue to explore a national group package.

9. Finances: Jack Folliard reported on NADFO's finances. Our primary expense is in reimbursing NADFO representatives for their travel expenses while attending various meetings on NADFO's behalf. The board voted to keep the annual dues at \$10 per official.

10. Next Board meeting: Feb. 24, 2007 - "DALLAS V" - Dallas, Texas.