

ORANGE EMPIRE CONFERENCE
Orange Coast College
March 8, 2011 – 9:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Cypress	Diane Henry, Bill Pinkham, Tom Sheridan
Fullerton	Susan Beers, Tim Byrnes
Golden West	Albert Gasparian, Danny Johnson
Irvine Valley	Keith Shackelford, Martin McGrogan, Julie Hanks
Orange Coast	Steve Tamanaha, John Knox
Riverside	Barry Meier, Clara Lowden
Saddleback	Tony Lipold, Jerry Hannula, Debbie Kerr
Santa Ana	Avie Bridges, Jason Kehler, Reyes Vazquez
Santiago Canyon	Martin Stringer, Ian Woodhead
Commissioner	John Keever
Guest:	Todd Burnett

1. **Welcome and Announcements** – Tony Lipold, President
Tony welcomed all those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

2. **Approval of December 7, 2010 Minutes – MSP**

3. **Additions/Deletions/Changes to Agenda**

There were no additions/deletions.

4. **Commissioner's Report** – John Keever

a. Program Review 2011 – Golden West College & Orange Coast College

John stated that committee members listed on the agenda need to be part of the program reviews. Should there be a scheduling conflict, a representative needs to be assigned to represent the absent committee member. Discussion followed regarding the site visitation and the length of time needed for the review. John will base the structure of the program review on the stipulations of the constitution and will e-mail the agenda prior to the visitation.

Golden West will submit their self review to the committee via e-mail. No back up documentation will be required.

b. Conference Champions and MVP's

John congratulated the Men and Women Basketball champions. He also announced Wendell Faines, Saddleback, and Andrew Fisk, Riverside, as the co-MVP's and Micaela Pickens, Cypress, as the Women's MVP.

c. Fall Scholar Teams

John thanked the committee for their great work and reminded everyone that the scholar team information is due to the committee by March 25th.

d. OEC Character Champion Award

John asked that nominations be submitted to him by April 27th. All student athletes are eligible for this award including those not represented by this conference.

e. CCCAA Academic Achievement Awards

Informational item

f. CCCAA Legislation

Informational item

g. Website Report – Jason Kehler

Jason asked everyone to continue to send him as many stories as possible. He stated that he is waiting for all the stories on the coaches vs. cancer event and the amounts raised to compile one story.

He also reported on the broadcasters that are calling themselves OEC Sports and are podcasting baseball games. Discussion followed regarding the usage of OEC name and the possible liabilities. John asked Jason and Jerry to investigate and report back to the committee in May.

h. Conference Probation

John explained the reason for placing Orange Coast College Men's Golf team on probation for 2011-2012 and requested a written policy statement on the violation.

i. Santa Ana College Women's Soccer Appeals

John reported that the appeals submitted on behalf of Santa Ana College were approved.

j. Eligibility Clerk's Meeting

The Eligibility Clerk's Meeting has been scheduled for June 9th at 9:00 a.m. at the Hacienda. Reyes will make arrangements.

k. T.Mark Johnson

John read a letter from T.Mark Johnson resigning from his Treasurer position effective at the end of the academic year.

After discussion, **MSP** for John to assume both positions, Commissioner and Treasurer of the OEC.

5. **OEC Meeting Schedule**

Informational Item

The Athletic Director's Convention is scheduled for Monday, May 30th through Wednesday, June 1st in Lake Tahoe.

6. **CCCAA Board Report** – Todd Burnett

Todd spoke about the possible Armageddon that athletics may face. He stressed the importance of gathering data showcasing the success of student athletes and how Athletics is a model program that helps them accomplish that success. He asked that presentations to management councils be made and to get the word out on the success of these students.

He also stated that Carlyle will be sending a template to AD's suggesting the kind of data that should be gathered. He mentioned that the data will be aimed to impact legislators on how athletes outperform the average student population. He suggested that colleges outline the coaches' recruitment process, how coaches work with students to be better citizens and how the student athlete transfer rate is higher than what is mandated. He also asked that, if possible, students who received scholarships be included along with the amounts received. Discussion followed.

Tony reported on a successful PowerPoint presentation he presented to his management council about this specific topic. Tony was asked to send everyone a copy of his presentation via e-mail.

7. **T. Mark Johnson Supremacy Award Report** – Jerry Hannula

Jerry distributed the most updated standings, which included the Men and Women Basketball conference standings on the back portion of the form. He requested that everyone check the information to ensure accuracy.

Discussion followed regarding STAT CREW and JC Score websites and the roles of the SID's.

8. **Budget Committee Report** – Albert Gasparian & Avie Bridges

Albert disseminated a Dues Comparison Task Force Report to those present. After discussion, the report was tabled.

9. **OEC Sponsorship – Keith Shackelford**

John explained that in an effort to generate additional funds and not increase conference dues, Keith was asked to search for possible donors to generate funds. Keith reported that he has been in contact with Herff Jones as a possible sponsor. Keith also mentioned that Herff Jones is asking for a banner on the OEC website, a banner on each campus gymnasium and for colleges to agree to purchase championship rings from this company only. After dialoguing, the committee asked Keith to provide Herff Jones with feedback from this meeting and to request a proposal to be presented at the May meeting.

10. **Cuyamaca Women's Golf – Fall 2011**

John reported that Cuyamaca will have a Women's Golf team commencing Fall 2011. Schedules will have to be modified to accommodate the new team.

11. **Fall Sports Reports – Schedule and Sport Supplements**

Avie presented two versions of the Men's and Women's 2012 Basketball Schedule in an effort to accommodate everyone should a concern be raised about working Friday, February 17, 2011 – a possible holiday. After discussion of both schedules and raised concerns, **MSP** to approve the Wednesday, Friday schedule version.

Avie also presented a proposed change to the Women's Basketball Supplement. After discussion, the **motion** to approve the supplemental change, **failed**.

Diane Henry distributed the recommended changes to the Women's Golf Supplement. After discussion, **MSP** to approve the supplement with the following changes, remove "including the conference tournament" from the proposed language in 4.094 (A) and 4.094 (B).

12. **Spring Sport Reports – Schedule and Sport Supplements**

None were submitted at this time.

13. **Sports Medicine's OEC Policy – Keith Shackelford**

MSP to approve the Lightning and Safety for Outdoor OEC Competition as submitted by Keith. Keith will send an electronic version to Jason to update the website.

14. **CCCPE Meeting Report – Diane Henry**

Diane reported on the financial storm coming our way. She stated that it is recommended that everyone consider changing their division name to Kinesiology. She explained that everyone should evaluate courses and titles currently being offered in our institutions as these are being evaluated and scrutinize by the LAO. She further suggested that courses such as Introduction

to Kinesiology, Care and Prevention and Health be added to the curriculum. Discussion followed.

15. **Gender Equity Report** – Diane Henry

Diane warned everyone that you may be out of compliance if you drop a women's sport and replace it with another women's sport. She also stated that when decisions to drop a sport arise, to be careful because there may be someone who will challenge the decision with the Office of Civil Rights. She stressed the importance of not forgetting the federal mandate of Gender Equity.

16. **Additions to the Agenda**

None were submitted.

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Next OEC Meeting: Monday, May 2, 2011 – Palm Springs