



NATYCAA NEWS – FALL 2007

President's Message

As we progress into the fall semester and get involved in eligibility processing, staff development, contest supervision, fund raising, finance, EADA reporting, etc., I hope you will all give some thought as to what your professional development needs might be this year. NATYCAA wishes to help all of our members fill your professional development needs at our Convention in 2008!

If you are a new member and are considering attending the 2008 Convention, please consider the incredible networking opportunity at our 2008 Convention. Not only are there opportunities to meet and get to know other community/junior college Athletic Administrators, but since we are combined with the huge NACDA Convention there are opportunities to meet sponsors and thousands of other college athletic administrators at all levels.

As we move through the fall and near our Executive Council, January 25-28th , Mid-Winter meetings please feel free to provide your Executive Committee with some thoughts on what you would like to see at our Dallas Convention (June 8-9th Hilton Anatole Hotel).

Some news from around the country is as follows:

The NATYCAA National Championship Bowl Committee has come up with a financial plan for the game. At this point the NJCAA, CCCAA and all concerned coaches associations are discussing the possibilities.

One of our NATYCAA goals for the year is to try to bring the associations in the northwest and Pennsylvania into our national association. The more associations that we assimilate into NATYCAA the more strength our organization will have.

Congratulations to past NATYCAA President Lou Pullano. Lou is now the associate vice president of enrollment management and athletics at Community College of Rhode Island. Joe Pavone will take over as athletics director for Lou at CCRI. Congratulations to Executive Council member Bob Clement who has just been named dean/athletics director at West Hills College-Lemore. Bob had previously been employed at West Hills College-Coalinga.

Bob Myers, Solano College
NATYCAA President

Convention News

The 2008 convention will be held at the Hilton Anatole Hotel in Dallas. Please forward convention ideas to any executive committee member. The convention is your convention.

NATYCAA Cup

NATYCAA is in the process of securing a new sponsor/s for the NATYCAA Cup.

Awards/Honors

Welcome to Bob Myers, NATYCAA incoming president. Dr. Myers serves as the dean of health, physical education and athletics at Solano Community College in California. Bob directs over eighty employees and manages a budget of \$1.5 million. He is a track and field enthusiast who still competes in the javelin in masters competitions.

He was the NACDA Athletics Director of the Year in 2004. The PAC 10 honored him in 2006 through the "Legends in Coaching Program". He was elected President of the State Community College Organization of Physical Education for 2005-2007. He previously served as a member of the NACDA Executive Committee. He has represented the USA in various capacities in track & field.

NATYCAA is proud to have Dr. Myers serving as president.

General News

Patrick Henry Community College of Virginia became the first Virginia community college to join the NJCAA. We would like to invite all the community colleges of Virginia to join NATYCAA.

NACDA has a new contract vendor to handle membership. Membership forms for the present year are expected to be sent out in October.

Connections

The Connections group is already working on a session for the convention regarding what surprises one might encounter when retiring. Early planning is the key for all when thinking about retirement.