



RESOLUTION

concerning

REVISION TO THE CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES' DRUG EDUCATION AND SCREENING POLICY FOR STUDENT ATHLETES

June 9, 2006

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees adopted the revisions to the Connecticut State University System Drug Education and Screening Policy for Student Athletes, and

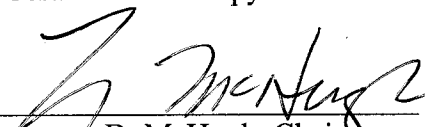
WHEREAS, The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) performs random testing throughout the year of athletes belonging to Division I and Division II, and

WHEREAS, The Drug Education and Screening Policy need not duplicate the random testing program of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Board Resolution # 05-77 is hereby amended to exclude at this time Central Connecticut State University and Southern Connecticut State University student athletes from the random testing program since these two institutions are already participating in the NCAA yearlong testing program, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chancellor is authorized to amend the guidelines to implement this policy.

A Certified True Copy:

  
Lawrence D. McHugh, Chairman

**Revised Guidelines for the Implementation of the  
Drug Education and Screening Policy**

- Prior to the effective date of the Drug Education and Screening Policy, July 1, 2006, each university will conduct mandatory orientations to acquaint Athletic Department personnel, as well as other affected staff, with the requirements of the new Policy.
- The "Inform/Consent Release" form and the "Prescription and Non-Prescription Medication Disclosure Form," and any other form containing personal information protected by the provisions of FERPA, will be maintained and stored in a safe and secure location. Such forms will be handled according to FERPA requirements. They may be viewed only by personnel with a need to know, they will not be left in an unsecured location, and they will be filed and/or stored in locked facilities. The forms and the information contained therein, may not be disclosed to any unauthorized party.
- After the Policy becomes effective, July 1, 2006, each university will offer all students (including athletes, athletic training students and managers) an education program designed to acquaint them with the risks and hazards associated with the use of alcohol and street performance-enhancing drugs and with the requirements of the policy.
- Since the NCAA conducts random testing throughout the year of student athletes attending Division I and Division II schools, there is no need to duplicate the random drug testing program at Central Connecticut State University and at Southern Connecticut State University.
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- At this time, both Eastern Connecticut State University and Western Connecticut State University will implement a random drug testing program.
- Following state regulations, each university will contract with a qualified testing laboratory.
- The universities will provide the necessary resources to implement this Policy adequately.
- This Policy will be reviewed periodically to evaluate its effectiveness.

June 9, 2006

**ITEM**

Revision of Drug Education and Screening Policy for Student Athletes

**BACKGROUND**

The Board resolution for the system's Drug Education and Screening Policy was revised on December 16, 2005. Since that time, it has come to our attention that the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) conducts yearlong random testing of student athletes attending Division I and II institutions. Both Central Connecticut State University and Southern Connecticut State Universities belong to those divisions, making their student athletes subject to random testing.

**ANALYSIS**

At this time there is no need to duplicate the NCAA random drug testing program at Central and Southern. Since this duplication will have a cost impact, the random drug testing program should only be implemented at Eastern and Western. These two universities belong to NCAA Division III and the NCAA does not require random testing of student athletes in this division.

**CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the revision of the Drug Education and Screening Policy for Student Athletes and revise the accompanying guidelines accordingly.