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SCAAA Members,

I hope this letter finds all of you in good health. What a challenging year this has been. Jodie and I made it through our bout with Covid-19 in November and, believe it or not, are still trying to regain our taste and smell. The Virus is for real!

Rather than risk gathering in Charleston as we normally do, your SCAAA Board developed a plan for a virtual conference. We understand that we will miss our face-to-face exchange of ideas as well as our fellowship with each other. Our plan, in conjunction with the SCHSL, will cover the necessary business of the association and league in a safe and efficient manner. Make sure you save these dates.

- **Sunday March 7<sup>th</sup> through Thursday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 5 PM to 9 PM** – Our Leadership Training Faculty will be offering a LTI “March Madness.” (10 Leadership Courses). Carlos Cave, CMAA, AD Whale Branch Early College High School, our State Coordinator, has made it possible for you to take all 5 prerequisite courses to become a CAA. 2 classes a night will be offered. He is in the process of publishing a flyer with details and costs. You must register and pay for the virtual conference in order to take any courses during “March Madness”.
- **Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup> (1 PM) through Tuesday March 16<sup>th</sup>** our Virtual Conference. The agenda will be published and put on the website by very soon.
- **The Conference registration fee is \$75.00 which must be paid in order to attend any session.**

Other news. I am proud that, once again, we received National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association recognition for our membership renewals and total numbers. For the last 5 years we remain in the top 10 of all states for percentage of members as it is related to the number of schools in the SCHSL. More AD's are becoming certified - CAA, CMAA, and RAA. Great job SCAAA members! Continue your professional education. By doing so, you will provide the best leadership to support our student athletes and coaches. Keep up the good work.

In closing, your Executive Board works hard to provide you with opportunities to enhance athletic administration. Sharing best practices, supporting one another, and providing opportunities to grow together are what we do. Thank you and have a smooth rest of the year.

Please stay safe and thank you for supporting the SCAAA.

Peace,

Jerry Linn, Executive Director