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Darryl Dawkins among late additions to Scholarly Conference on College Sport

CHAPEL HILL, NC – The College Sport Research Institute is pleased to announce that former NBA standout Darryl Dawkins is among the late additions to the Issues in College Sport Symposium at the 2010 Scholarly Conference in College Sport, which will be held from April 21-23, 2010, at the William and Ida Friday Center on the campus of the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Dawkins was one of the first players to jump directly to the NBA from high school and had a successful NBA career, earning the nickname “Chocolate Thunder” for his powerful dunks. Dawkins, the current men’s basketball coach at Lehigh Carbon Community College, will be a part of the panel discussion entitled “One and Done: What is the Effect of the NBA’s Age Limit Rule on the College Game?” ACC associate commissioner for compliance Shane Lyons has also been added to that panel. Dawkins and Lyons will be joined by Maryland basketball coach Gary Williams, ESPN college basketball analyst Doug Gottlieb and Vermont law school professor Michael McCann.

Other late additions to the Issues in College Sport Symposium include University of North Carolina defensive lineman Marvin Austin and N.C. State defensive lineman David Akinniyi. Austin will speak on the “Thou Shalt Not Tweet: Athletes’ Social Networking Legal Rights vs. Institutional Control” panel; Akinniyi is a part of the “Ethics of Elimination: Will Broad-Based Athletic Departments Survive?” discussion. The Issues in College Sport Symposium will take place on April 21. For a complete look at the program, please visit http://www.csriconference.org/program.html.

In addition to the day-long symposium, the Scholarly Conference on College Sport will include two days of original research presentations from college-sport scholars from across the United States. The student-centered conference also has two student events: One, a team case-study competition for undergraduate and graduate students from across the country; and new this year is the William C. Friday Graduate-Student College-Sport Research Paper Award, a writing competition for graduate students on topics related to college sport.
Registration for this year's conference will be available online through the Web site or can be done by mail. For more information, including event times, locations and speaker announcements, please check www.csriconference.org for regular updates.

Founded in 2007, the College Sport Research Institute’s mission is to encourage and support cross-disciplinary, collaborative college-sport research; serve as a consortium for college-sport researchers from across the United States; and disseminate research results to academics, college-sport practitioners, and the general public.

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