



ARIZONA INTERSCHOLASTIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY - MARCH 1, 2019

In accordance with Article 4, Section 4.5, Paragraph 4.5.1 of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc. (AIA) Constitution, the regular annual meeting of the AIA Legislative Council (Council) was duly called and held on Friday, March 1, 2019, at the AIA office, 7007 North 18th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

ROLL CALL

1A Conference (7)

Phillip Echeverria – Williams
George Diehl – Bagdad
Kari Avila – Salome
Andrew Brogan – St. David
Lee Haws – Ft. Thomas
Angela Earnhart – Gregory School
Carl Adams – St. Michael

2A Conference (7)

Ricky Greer – Hopi
Eric Dall – Scottsdale Christian
Shawn Lytle – Chandler Prep
Garye LaFevers – Tonopah Valley
Donna Antonio – San Carlos
Duane Ediger – Scottsdale Prep

3A Conference (7)

Heather Osborn – Az College Prep
Dave Inness – Northwest Christian
Nate Agostini – Horizon Honors
Ryan Dodson – Window Rock
Lonnie Tvrdy – Pusch Ridge

Others Present At Roll Call:

Executive Board:

Jeannine Brandel
Billy Duarte
Mark Cisterna
Zack Munoz
Michael Fowler
Jim Love

AIA Staff:

David Hines – Executive Director
Joe Paddock – Assistant Executive Director
Tayler Coady – Executive Assistant
Robyn Bingham – Officials & Content Coordinator
Brian Gessner – Commissioner of Officials
Tyler Cerimeli – Officials & Tournament Coordinator
Brian Bolitho – Director of Business Development
Denise Doser – Director of Finance
Brandy Young – Tournament & Operations Coordinator
Dean Visser – Sports Administrator
Dan Nero – Tournament Coordinator

Consultant/Parliamentarian:

Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel

4A Conference (7)

Brian Galbreath – Cortez
Missy Townsend - Prescott
Ty Cephers – Sahuaro
Ron Safcik – Shadow Mountain
Bill Wright – Estrella Foothills
Stacy Spencer – Deer Valley
Rod Huston – Mesquite

5A Conference (7)

Nathan Slater – Scottsdale District
Whitney Holland – Cienega
Nathan Orelup – Mtn View Marana
Mark Ernster – Peoria District
Evana Santee - Central
Remigio Gordillo – Millennium

6A Conference (7)

Marcus Williams – Chandler District
Steve Hogen – Mesa District
Derek Fahleson – Tolleson District
Scott Warner – Deer Valley District
Steve McDowell – Gilbert District
Lenny Doerfler – Cesar Chavez

Arizona School Board Members (6)

1A – Carolyn Freeman – Bicentennial USD
2A – Arnold Goodluck – Sanders USD
4A – Steve Johnson – Florence USD
5A – Wendy Effing – Flowing Wells USD
6A – Ann Ordway – Deer Valley USD

Members Absent:

Frank Ogas – Morenci
Shawn Cluff – Florence
Bob London – Blue Ridge
Renee Regoli – Camp Verde
Brett Pavey – Cibola
3A – Dr. Charles Lucero – Kingman USD

Guests:

Jose Garcia
Sr. Lynn Winsor
Carly Bourland
Peter Jelovic
Corey Newland
Jake Kluch
Jim Dean
Bruce Kipper
Rudy Alvarado

After completion of roll call, Mr. Mignella introduced all others present and outlined procedures to be observed during the meeting. He reminded the Council Members that Article 5, Section 2 of the AIA Constitution stipulates that a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the total Council membership (32 members) is required to amend the AIA Constitution and that a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a duly called meeting is required to amend the AIA Bylaws. Mr. Mignella continued by stating that Article 4, Section 5 of the AIA Constitution stipulates that a quorum must be present at a meeting for the transaction of business, a quorum being two-thirds (2/3) of the total membership. He concluded that a quorum was present since roll call reflected that 41 of the 48 Council Members were present. It was also determined, based upon the 41 members present, that a vote of 28 would be required for adoption of amendments to the AIA Bylaws. Mr. Mignella then reminded the Council that in accordance with Article 4, Section 5, Paragraph 5 of the AIA Constitution, proxy votes couldn't be accepted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the March 1, 2019 meeting were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Before entertaining a motion to approve the agenda for the March 6, 2020 meeting as presented, Mr. Mignella called for any request for additions or deletions to the agenda.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BILL WRIGHT AND SECONDED BY PHIL ECHEVERRIA TO ADD AGENDA ITEM #25.

MOTION TO AMEND – PASSED – VOICE VOTE

MOTION WAS MADE BY HEATHER OSBORN AND SECONDED BY ROD HUSTON TO ADD AGENDA ITEM #26.

MOTION TO AMEND – PASSED – VOICE VOTE

MOTION WAS MADE BY MARCUS WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY LENNY DOERFLER TO ADD AGENDA ITEM #27.

MOTION TO AMEND – FAILED

(Votes Cast: yes-27; No-13)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The Opioid Education Course (The Game You Can't Win) is complete and will be available Fall 2020. Although the course is not an AIA requirement it is encouraged and suggested that schools utilize this education course. Currently schools have the state document on opioid abuse available to them. Beginning Fall 2021 the Opioid Education Course will be required to participate in athletics.

AIA has partnered with the Arizona Cardinals and the NFL Foundation to Inspire and Transfer Sports Culture through the Inside out Initiative.

Athletic Director and Student Leadership Summit will be held on Monday, April 13, 2020 at Xavier College Preparatory. Registration will be open on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 8:00am.

Updated business operations data was provided to the council. 35 schools participated in the inaugural season of ESports with 46 schools participating in the spring season. AzPreps365.com is up 56% over last year with 1.35 million users to the site. AzPreps365 Mobile App has nearly 17,000 downloads since July with the key drivers being early access to rankings and top 8 prior to bracket show.

A big congratulations to all the state champions and all those that competed during the winter state tournaments.

AIA will have eight new schools for the 2020-2021 school year. It is asked of the current membership to help the new school ADs in their first year.

PHILOSOPHY, OBJECTIVES AND DUTIES

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Constitution:

Article 1. Philosophy, Objectives and Duties. Section 1. Name of Organization

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws.

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1.1 **NAME AND NATURE OF ORGANIZATION** – The Arizona Interscholastic Association is a non-profit corporation under the laws of the state of Arizona, operating as a voluntary association of member high schools, referred to here and after as “AIA”, “Corporation” or the “Association”. ~~The name of this corporation, incorporated under the laws of the state of Arizona, shall be Arizona Interscholastic Association, Incorporated, referred to hereinafter all the “AIA”, the “corporation”, or the “Association”.~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY ROD HUSTON AND SECONDED BY NATHAN SLATER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-41; No-0)

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MEMBERSHIP

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Constitution:

Article 2. Membership, Section 1. Membership Requirements, Section 2. Application for AIA Membership, Section 3. Terms of AIA Membership, Section 5. Bordering State Schools – AIA Membership

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws. Providing a clear process for new member applications.

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2.1 MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS – Any Arizona high school or bordering state high school, which meets the following requirements, is eligible for membership:

- 2.1.1 A school must ~~be recommended by the~~ **maintain an** appropriate accrediting agency for acceptable standards for secondary schools.
- 2.1.2 A school must certify that all principals, directors, coordinators, instructors and supervisors are ~~regularly certified teachers~~ under contract with the ~~local school board~~ **Governing Body** and that none of the above is receiving any salary or remuneration for his/her school job from any outside source.
- 2.1.3 A member school shall abide by all rules and regulations of the **Association**. A violation of the **Association** rules and regulations subjects the member school to possible disciplinary action as set forth in Article 16, Section 1 of the AIA Bylaws.

2.2 APPLICATION FOR AIA MEMBERHSIP

- 2.2.1 Written application for membership shall be submitted by the principal of the school applying. Such application should be submitted to the AIA Executive Board by November 1 of the school year preceding that for which membership is being sought. **Such application shall be distributed to member schools.**
- 2.2.2 **Upon review and acceptance of application by the Executive Board**, an on-site evaluation of a school applying for ~~full~~ membership shall be conducted. At least one member of the evaluation team shall be from the Conference and, when possible, from the Region with which the new school will be aligned. Expenses incurred for the on-site evaluation of a high school seeking membership into the AIA ~~shall~~ **may** be assessed to the school.
- 2.2.3 **After consideration and approval of written application and on-site evaluation, the Executive Board will take one of the following actions: 1.) Ballot member schools for approval or rejection of membership application, 2.) Ballot member schools for approval or rejection of membership application with conditions as established by Executive Board, or 3.) Deny application. AIA member schools will then be balloted for approval of the membership application.** A simple majority vote **by member schools** shall decide the acceptance or rejection.

2.3 TERMS OF AIA MEMBERHSIP – The terms of AIA membership for public, private, Parochial and BIE schools shall be as follows:

- 2.3.1 **Public Schools** – The attendance zone boundaries shall be determined by the governing board of that school. ~~DETERMINATION: The AIA Executive Board determined that the attendance zone boundaries of a charter school that is not sponsored by a public school district is the county in which the school is located. (Ex. Bd. 9/15/97).~~
- 2.3.4 All member schools shall voluntarily abide by all rules and regulations of the AIA.
 - 2.3.4.1 Should the AIA Executive Board determine that a member or associate member school has willfully or persistently violated the AIA Constitution and Bylaws, **it may expel said school from the AIA.** ~~it may recommend that said school be expelled from the AIA. Membership expulsion shall require a majority vote of the AIA member schools.~~
 - 2.3.4.1.1 ~~An expelled member may request reinstatement one year from the date of expulsion. Reinstatement of an expelled school shall require a majority vote of the AIA member schools.~~

~~2.5 BOARDERING STATE SCHOOL – AIA MEMBERSHIP – A bordering state school may become an AIA associate member or a full member if:~~

- ~~2.5.1 Accrediting standards are met.~~
- ~~2.5.2 Recommended for AIA membership by a Region to its Conference.~~
- ~~2.5.3 The Conference approves the Region recommendation and supports the application for AIA membership~~
 - ~~2.5.3.1 Continued AIA membership of a bordering state school shall be subject to review and renewal by Conference recommendation to the AIA Executive Board every two years.~~
- ~~2.5.4 All requirements stipulated in Article 2, Section 2.2 of the AIA Constitution are satisfactorily fulfilled~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY WHITNEY HOLLAND AND SECONDED BY NATHAN SLATER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

Member arrived – total members in attendance at vote - 42

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CERTIFICATION OF STAFF

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Constitution:

Article 3. Certification of Staff, Section 1. Private, Parochial, BIE or Public Schools

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

Language no longer applies.

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3.1 PRIVATE, PAROCHIAL, BIE OR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

~~3.1.1 All member schools shall meet all applicable staff certification requirements.~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY HEATHER OSBORN AND SECONDED BY SCOTT WARNER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Constitution:

Article 4. Legislative Council, Section 4. Officers

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws as to the current practice.

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4.4 OFFICERS

- 4.4.1 The President of the AIA Executive Board or, ~~in his/her absence or inability to serve, the Vice President~~ **with the approval of the Executive Board, his or her designee**, shall preside at all meetings of the AIA Legislative Council. The presiding officer shall be entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

MOTION WAS MADE BY WHITNEY HOLLAND AND SECONDED BY NATHAN SLATER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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AMENDING CONSTITUTION, BYLAWS AND POLICIES / PROCEDURES

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Constitution:

Article 5. Amending Constitution, Bylaws and Policies / Procedures, Section 4. Amending Policies and Procedures (Articles 19-41)

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws as to the current process.

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5.4 AMENDING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES (ARTICLES 19-41)

5.4.1 A Conference Committee may request the Executive Board to amend Sport Policies and Procedures, or the Executive Board itself may amend Sport Policies and Procedures.

MOTION WAS MADE BY HEATHER OSBORN AND SECONDED BY ROD HUSTON TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Constitution:

Article 6. Executive Board, Section 4. Officers of the AIA Executive Board

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws as to the current practice.

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6.4 OFFICERS OF THE AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD

6.4.2 The President shall preside over all meetings of the AIA Executive Board and the AIA Legislative Council. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President. **The presiding officer shall cast a vote only in the case of a tie.**

MOTION WAS MADE BY LEE HAWS AND SECONDED BY DONNA ANTONIO TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-41; No-0)

Member left – total members in attendance at vote - 41

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DUTIES AND AUTHORITY

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 7. **Executive Director** Duties and Authority, Section 1. AIA Executive Board

*Rationale for Proposed Amendment:
To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws.*

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7.1 AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD

~~7.1.1 The duties and authority of the AIA Executive Board shall be set forth in the AIA Constitution, Article 6. Executive Board, Section 6.5 Duties of the AIA Executive Board.~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY DEREK FAHLESON AND SECONDED BY SCOTT WARNER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBER HIGH SCHOOLS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 8. Classification of Member High Schools, Section 1. Classification and Alignment; Section 3. Conference Responsibilities

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws and to update the current procedure.

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8.1 CLASSIFICATION AND ALIGNMENT - A Conference is a group of member schools, each of whose October 1 enrollment falls within the same size range. A Region is a group of schools within the Conference.

8.1.7 Two 1A Conference member schools (not associate member schools) may, by mutual agreement and with the approval of the Executive Board, join together to form one team in any ~~team~~ sport. Eligibility for post season play will be at the discretion of the Executive Board.

8.3 CONFERENCE RESPONSIBILITIES

8.3.2 Except for Varsity Football, each Conference shall require that each of its Regions make a two-year master schedule for all home and away contests. This schedule will be a valid contract between schools.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KARI AVILA AND SECONDED BY LENNY DOERFLER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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SANCTION PROCEDURES

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 10. Sanction Procedures, Section 1. Sanctioned Events

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws.

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10.1 SANCTIONED EVENTS - **During the season**, in sports and activities that are governed by AIA, member schools shall only participate with or against the following: AIA member or associate member high schools; out-of-state or Canadian high schools that are in good standing or approved by their respective association. Violation of this rule subjects the offending member school to loss of all privileges of membership for one year and/or such penalty as the Executive Board is authorized to impose under Article 16, Penalties and Appeals.

MOTION WAS MADE BY MARK ERNSTER AND SECONDED BY REMIGIO GORDILLO TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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SCHEDULING OF CONTESTS AND SCHEDULE CONTRACTS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 11. Scheduling of Contests and Schedule Contracts, Section 2. Scheduling of Contests, Section 4. Schedule Contracts – Varsity / Junior Varsity / Freshman/Sophomore

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

Limits associate members to scheduling consistent with members; to provide clarifying language to the Bylaws and remove duplicative language; precludes duplicative fines in the case of a cancelled program.

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11.2 SCHEDULING OF CONTESTS

11.2.4 Associate member schools may **only** schedule member, **or** associate member ~~or nonmember~~ schools.

11.2.7 ~~Refer to Article 10, Section 10.1 for interstate scheduling.~~

~~11.2.8 Refer to AIA Standardized Calendar approved by the AIA Legislative Council on April 22, 1980.~~

~~11.2.9 It is the responsibility of each school to provide contest management, submit reports, and abide by all AIA rules and regulations. Member schools not in compliance with this regulation may be subject to disciplinary action.~~

11.4 SCHEDULE CONTRACTS – VARSITY / JUNIOR VARSITY / FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE

11.4.2 ~~Master Schedules~~ - A ~~master~~ schedule shall be considered a valid contract between the schools. ~~on that master schedule.~~

11.4.3 Invitationals/Tournaments – An invitation to attend an invitational tournament from one school and acceptance by another school shall be considered a valid contract between those schools **for one year**. In the case of a school's failure to fulfill its contractual obligation to hold or attend an invitational tournament as agreed, the procedure under 11.4.4.2 and 11.4.4.2.1 shall apply.

11.4.4 Cancellation – Contest or Program

11.4.4.1 Cancelling or forfeiting a ~~program or~~ contest shall originate and transmit Form 11.4-B to the other school(s) involved for a signature of consent. The executed Form(s) 11.4-B shall then be ~~attached to a completed Form 11.4-A and~~ forwarded to the AIA office for placement on the next AIA Executive Board meeting agenda.

11.4.4.2 **Cancelling a program shall originate and transmit Form 11.4-A to the other school(s) involved for a signature of consent. The executed Form 11.4-A shall then be forwarded to the AIA office for placement on the next AIA Executive Board meeting agenda.**

11.4.4.3 When a school finds it impossible to fulfill a ~~master~~ schedule obligation which does not have a bearing on a regional or state play-off, it must notify the other school(s) involved as soon as possible. Any such cancellation ~~or postponement~~ must be by mutual consent of the school(s) involved.

11.4.4.3.1 In the event there is not a mutual consent between schools in the cancellation of a contest, the school cancelling the contest shall be subject to a fine in accordance with Form 11.4D. The fine may be appealable to the AIA Executive Board within 10 days of ~~cancellation~~ **imposition of the fine.**

<i>Programs</i>	Varsity	Junior Varsity	Freshman
<i>FOOTBALL</i>	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
<i>TEAM SPORTS</i>	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
<i>INDIVIDUAL SPORTS</i>	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00

<i>Contests</i>	Varsity	Junior Varsity	Freshman
<i>FOOTBALL</i>	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
<i>TEAM SPORTS</i>	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
<i>INDIVIDUAL SPORTS</i>	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00

11.4.4.3.2 The fine will be paid to the AIA and ~~within 10 days~~ **within 30 days of notification of the fine**. Upon receipt of the payment, AIA will **promptly** send those funds to the school whose game was cancelled.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BILL WRIGHT AND SECONDED BY MISSY TOWNSEND TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-41; No-0; Abstain-1)

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SCHEDULING OF CONTESTS AND SCHEDULE CONTRACTS

1A-6A CONFERENCE – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Golf Sports Advisory Committee

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 11. Scheduling of Contests and Schedule Contracts, Section 5. Reporting Results

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

Increased scoring integrity with public visibility of scores. Eliminate the disqualification of players signing the wrong scorecard. Capture accurate pace of play and scoring data. Players experience team chemistry and comradery.

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11.5 REPORTING RESULTS – It is the responsibility of the HOME TEAM athletic administrator or assistant to report the regular season game results immediately utilizing an electronic score reporting tool as designated by the AIA Executive Board in team sports, or if not available at www.admin.aiaonline.org by 9:00 a.m. the day following the contest. In the case of a regional tournament or play-in game, it is the responsibility of the HOST SCHOOL to report all tournament results immediately utilizing an electronic score reporting tool as designated by the AIA Executive Board in team sports, or if not available, at www.admin.aiaonline.org by 9:00 a.m. the day following the contest. Failure to report an accurate result will cause the following progressive sanction(s) process per sport for each individual incident and in the time stated:

11.5.2 All regular season golf matches and invitational tournaments. It shall be the responsibility of the home school/site golf coach to administer the hole by hole “live scoring” golfer only feature on AzPreps365 golf App.

MOTION WAS MADE BY NATE AGOSTINI AND SECONDED BY BILL WRIGHT TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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POST SEASON TOURNAMENTS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 12. Post Season Tournaments, Section 1. Post-Season Tournaments

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

Updating current practice.

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12.1 POST SEASON TOURNAMENTS

12.1.6 How Region/Section Champions / Automatic Qualifiers are Determined

For purposes of determining the region/section champion/automatic qualifiers for the state tournament, it is based first on win percentage within region/section games only. Therefore, the region/section standings are sorted based on region/section win percentage.

If teams are tied on region/section win percentage, the tie breaker is as follows, and will be noted on the standings pages as such:

1. Head to Head in Region/Section Games
2. Conference/Division Win Percentage
3. Overall Win Percentage
4. Overall Power Ranking
5. Coin Flip if simply to break a tie for seeding
6. ~~Mini playoff if to go into the tournament~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY RON SAFCIK AND SECONDED BY TY CEPHERS TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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AWARDS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 13. Awards, Section 1. Awards, Medals and Trophies

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

Reflects current practice and provides site based decision.

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13.1 AWARDS, MEDALS AND TROPHIES

- 13.1.5 ~~Team or individual revolving trophies may exceed the limit of \$200.00 retail purchase value, providing the award has AIA Executive Board approval.~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY STEVE JOHNSON AND SECONDED BY ROD HUSTON TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

GENERAL PROVISIONS**AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 14. General Provisions, Section 2. Practice, Section 4. Nonschool Participation, Section 8. Clinics / Summer Camps, Section 10. AIA Passes, Section 11. National Anthem

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws; still three methods in which to obtain a Lifetime Pass; retired pass rarely used and committee determined the other methods were adequate.

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14.2 PRACTICE

- 14.2.2 AIA member schools may only practice with or scrimmage against their own school team during the interscholastic season of that sport.—~~The interscholastic season for each individual sport is as set forth in the appropriate Article of the AIA Bylaws.~~ **Sport Policy.**

14.4 NONSCHOOL PARTICIPATION

- 14.4.2 **Tryouts/Workouts** – a student is permitted to participate in a maximum of two tryouts/workouts in any sport during that sport's season of competition. For purposes of this rule, a tryout/workout is defined as one for a professional team, a collegiate program, or for a national team. If a student participates in more than two tryouts/workouts, he/she shall be ineligible for the remainder of that sport's season of competition.

DETERMINATION: Any ID Camp that is sponsored and held at a college/university meets the definition of a Tryout/Workout. An ID Camp that is not sponsored and held at a college/university must clearly indicate the college coaches that will be present in order to be considered a tryout/workout. (Ex. Brd 12/9/19)

- 14.4.3 Attendance at **out of season activities and** summer activities shall be voluntary and no student athlete shall be prohibited from participating on athletic teams for failing to attend ~~the summer activities.~~

~~**14.8 CLINICS / SUMMER CAMPS** – A student may receive financial assistance to attend summer camps to improve his/her individual skills. Schools providing transportation for summer activities is a local option.~~

14.10 AIA PASSES – ~~There shall be three types of AIA passes; specifically, a Lifetime Pass, Complimentary Pass and Press Pass.~~ The AIA Executive Board shall have the responsibility and authority to approve and issue all ~~three~~ types of passes and may, at its discretion, issue any type of pass to any individual it deems deserving. An AIA pass which has been approved and issued in accordance with the provisions of Article 14, Section 14.11 of the AIA Bylaws shall grant admittance to any AIA sanctioned event. Should a pass be found in the possession of a person other than the named holder, said pass will be confiscated and the named holder will lose the privilege of an AIA pass for one year from the date of confiscation.

- 14.10.1 **Lifetime Passes** - A Lifetime Pass shall admit the name holder and one guest to any member high school interscholastic competition. The holder of a Lifetime Pass shall not be eligible for any other type of AIA pass. ~~There shall be four categories under which an application for a Lifetime Pass may be submitted.~~ An application for a Lifetime Pass shall be submitted on Form 14.11 (Request for Lifetime Pass).

- 14.10.1.1 **Retired** — ~~Officially retired superintendents, associate superintendents, assistant superintendents and principals who served in that capacity (separately or combined) for an AIA member school a minimum of five years prior to official retirement. Officially retired school administrators (i.e., athletic directors/director of activities and athletics or district-level director of activities and athletics) who had direct responsibility and control over AIA interscholastic athletics and/or activities at an AIA member school for a minimum of ten years prior to official retirement.~~

- 14.10.1.1.1 ~~An individual shall be considered officially retired when he/she is receiving retirement pay.~~

14.11 NATIONAL ANTHEM – The AIA encourages the playing of the national anthem at all athletic contests. ~~This may be accomplished through the use of tapes, recordings or live groups.~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY EVANA SANTEE AND SECONDED BY BRIAN GALBREATH TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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STUDENT ELIGIBILITY RULES**AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee.

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 3. Enrollment Rule, Section 5. Domicile Rule, Section 10. Transfer Rule, Section 11. Amateur Rule, Section 12. Recruitment Rule, Section 13. Eligibility Appeal Procedures, Section 14. Hardship

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws and remove language no longer relevant due to Bylaw changes.

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15.3 ENROLLMENT RULE

~~15.3.2 **Certificate of Educational Convenience**— A student whose original enrollment in a particular high school with a Certificate of Educational Convenience shall be eligible to participate if he/she meets all other eligibility requirements.~~

~~15.3.3— An official school day is any day a school is eligible to collect state aid.~~

15.3.4 In order to establish eligibility for that semester, a student's initial enrollment shall be no later than the 14th official school day of the semester. If a student's initial enrollment occurs after the 14th official school day of the semester, he/she is ineligible for that semester

DETERMINATION: The AIA Executive Director, as designee of the AIA Executive Board, may rule on the eligibility of a student who enrolls in a year-round school after the 14th official school day of a session (Ex. Bd. 4/15/96).

15.5 DOMICILE RULE

~~15.5.1 **Domicile Requirements**— Except as otherwise stated in Article 15, a student, whether an adult or not, is privileged with eligibility for interscholastic competition only at the school in the district in which his/her parents are domiciled. In multi-school districts, the student is eligible only at the school in the attendance zone in which his/her parents are domiciled.~~

~~15.5.1.1 **EXCEPTION:** A school district governing board may declare all or certain high schools within its district as open schools. A student enrolling for the first time in any open school in the district shall have met the domicile requirements to be able to participate in interscholastic competition~~

15.5.2 Definitions

~~15.5.2.1 **Attendance Zone**— The attendance zone in a multi-school district is the equivalent of a district in a one-school district~~

~~15.5.2.2 **Unorganized School District**— An unorganized school district refers to those districts that do not have a high school within their attendance zone.~~

~~15.5.2.4 **Change of Domicile**— This is depended upon the facts in each case, but, as a minimum, to be considered a change of domicile under these rules, the following facts must exist:~~

~~15.5.2.4.1— The original domicile must be or is in the process of being abandoned; that is sold, rented, or otherwise disposed of, and must not be used as a residence by either parent or nay child in the 12th grade or younger, and~~

~~15.5.2.4.2— Take with them the household goods and furnishings appropriate to the circumstances.~~

~~15.5.2.4.3— Regardless of any other bylaw, it shall not be considered a change of domicile unless there has been a corresponding change of attendance zone.~~

15.5.3 Special Domicile Placements

15.5.3.1 Ninth-Grade Enrollment – Except as stated in 15.15, an eighth grade student graduate enrolling in the ninth grade for the first time may attend any member high school and be eligible for interscholastic activities. This exception to the general domicile requirement for students enrolling for the first time in the ninth grade recognizes the concept of open enrollment. Upon any transfer by the student after the initial enrollment in the ninth grade, the Transfer Rule applies.

15.5.3.2 Legal Guardian – Except in the case of a foreign exchange student or an international student under 15.15, a student for whom a legal guardian has been appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction may be declared eligible at the school in attendance zone in which said legal guardian is domiciled by petitioning as outlined in the AIA Bylaws under Article 15, Section 15.14 Hardship. (*Form 15.5.3*). For purposes of this rule, a court of competent jurisdiction does not include courts outside the United States

15.5.3.2.2 Where it is determined by the Executive Board or the Executive Director that athletic motivation and/or circumvention of AIA domicile requirements is involved in the legal guardianship, this is sufficient in and of itself for denial of the hardship request (see 15.14.1.4).

~~15.5.3.4 Multiple Attendance Zones – Any student living within the multiple attendance zones of a public school and a Bureau of Indian Affairs school shall be eligible at the school of his/her initial enrollment, either as a freshman or as an upperclassman moving in from outside the attendance zones involved.~~

~~*DETERMINATION: The AIA Executive Board determined that in multi-school districts where two or more junior high schools (ninth grade) are feeder schools to a high school, the ninth grade students shall abide by the same eligibility attendance regulations as senior high schools and must attend the school in which his/her parents reside to be eligible for interscholastic activities. (Ex. Bd. 8/79).*~~

~~15.5.3.9 Married Students – For the purpose of establishing eligibility, a married student shall have the same rights, privileges, authority and responsibility of a parent/legal guardian.~~

15.10 TRANSFER RULE - After enrolling and attending one or more classes, a student changing enrollment from one school (sending school) to another school (receiving school) shall be considered a transferring student. For information and record keeping purposes, the receiving and sending school shall reasonably cooperate and complete Form 550.

15.10.1 In State Transfers - a student shall be ineligible for all contests at all levels until after the first 50% of the maximum allowable Power Rankings regular season contests in those sports in which the student participated during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the season in which the student is seeking eligibility. the transfer. Participation is defined as a student participating in the sport during a regular season game as is specified by the AIA standardized calendar

15.10.1.2 If a transfer occurs during the season in which the student is participating, the student is ineligible for one year from the date of first attendance at the receiving school in that sport.

15.10.3 Transfer Rule Exceptions – A student who transfers from one high school (the “sending school”) to another high school (the “receiving school”), where there has been no change in domicile of parents or legal guardian, shall be eligible to participate in interscholastic activities at the receiving school when one of the following eligibility requirements has been fulfilled:

~~15.10.3.2 When Sport or Nonathletic Activity is Not Offered – A student who enrolls at a school which does not offer a specific sport or nonathletic activity and later transfers in order to participate in that sport or nonathletic activity shall be eligible in that sport or nonathletic activity if the student transfers to one of the following schools:~~

~~15.10.3.2.1 A private or parochial high school in the county in which the parents are domiciled~~

~~15.10.3.2.2 The public high school within the same school district closest to the domicile of the parents~~

~~15.10.3.2.3 In the event the district does not offer the sport or nonathletic activity in any of its schools, the student may transfer to a public high school of another district closest to the domicile of the parents~~

~~15.10.3.2.4 The student must be in attendance for one calendar year at the school to which he/she transferred before he/she shall be eligible for any other interscholastic activity~~

~~15.10.3.3 Boarding School – The transfer rule (15.10) shall not apply to a student who transfers to and is a full time resident of an AIA member school which is a bona fide boarding school. The transfer rule shall apply to any subsequent transfers by that student from that boarding school. A school is a bona fide boarding school only if it meets both of the following criteria:~~

~~15.10.3.3.1 The school shall be currently accredited by an appropriate and proper accrediting agency for secondary boarding schools, which accrediting agency shall be approved by the Executive Board or its designee; and~~

~~15.10.3.3.2 A majority of the school's students must reside full time on the actual school campus. Off campus housing does not meet this requirement.~~

~~15.10.5 Private, Parochial or BIA School Closure / Drop of AIA Membership – Upon closure or drop of AIA membership of a private, parochial or BIA school, students may transfer at the beginning of the following semester to any other private, parochial or BIA school encompassing the closed private, parochial or BIA school attendance zone, or may transfer to the public school serving the student's domicile and be automatically granted athletic eligibility.~~

15.10.6 When Sport or Nonathletic Activity Is Dropped by an AIA Member School – When a sport or nonathletic activity is dropped by a governing board, a student may transfer to a school that offers that sport or nonathletic activity and shall be eligible only in the sport or nonathletic activity that has been dropped at the school from which the student transferred. Said eligibility will be granted when the student enrolls in one of the following schools.

15.10.6.4 ~~The student must be in attendance for one calendar year at the school to which he/she transferred before he/she shall be eligible for any other interscholastic activity. The transfer rule shall apply to other interscholastic sports and activities in which the student participates.~~

15.10.7 Limited Eligibility After Transfer (FORM 550)

~~15.10.7.1 Student Sports Participation / Current or Previous Year (Form 550) – The sending school administration shall provide to the receiving school, via Form 550, the verification of activities in which a transferring student has participated. The receiving and sending school(s) shall **reasonably cooperate and complete Form 550**. Upon receipt by the receiving school of a completed Form 550, assuming all other eligibility requirements are met, the student becomes eligible for all interscholastic activities except for those activities in which the student has competed during the current or previous school year.~~

~~15.10.7.1.1 The Student Sports Participation / Current or Previous Year (Form 550) may only be used between schools in Arizona, between schools in Arizona and schools from other states in the United States, and between schools in Arizona and accredited United States accommodation schools in foreign countries.~~

~~15.10.8 One Parent Moving Out of a School Attendance Zone – A student who transfers to a new school attendance zone with one parent, where the parents are not divorced or legally separated, is not eligible at the school to which he/she transfers because there is no change of domicile. The student may petition for eligibility under the hardship rule.~~

15.10.10 Definitions

~~15.10.10.1 Sending School – A school from which a student transfers~~

~~15.10.10.2 Receiving School – A school to which a student transfers.~~

~~15.10.10.3 Public School Attendance Zone – Established by district governing board~~

~~15.10.10.4 Private and Parochial School Attendance Zone – Entire County~~

15.11 AMATEUR RULE

15.11.7 An amateur athlete shall not compete for money or other monetary compensation.

15.11.7.1 Amateur athletes may receive actual expenses for participating in out-of-town games, ~~providing the distance traveled exceeds 250 miles from their home and the activity causes the athlete to purchase overnight lodging.~~ This amount shall not exceed the state of Arizona per diem.

15.12 RECRUITMENT RULE - There shall be no recruitment of athletes. Recruitment is defined as the act of influencing a student to enroll in a school or to transfer from one school to another in order that the student may participate in interscholastic athletics. No school administrator, athletic coach or employee of a high school district shall engage in recruitment either by direct contact with a student or indirectly through parents, legal guardians, common school employees, directors of summer athletic programs or other persons who are in a position to influence the student's choice of a school.

15.12.4 Interpretations

15.12.4.13 **OPEN HOUSE** – The intent of an open house is to allow incoming students (~~freshman or sophomore based on the entering level/grade~~) to gather information regarding curriculum, programs, and the admissions process. ~~Whether public (district & charter), private, independent, or BIE school, any contact with a coach during an open house by any student currently enrolled in another high school is considered a violation under the recruiting bylaw.~~ Coaches may provide general information to prospective incoming students but no specific details or enticements as to participation if they were to enroll.

15.13 ELIGIBILITY APPEAL PROCEDURES

15.13.3 Review of Prior AIA Hardship Appeals Committee Decision - The AIA Executive Board may review prior decisions regarding eligibility of a student at any regular or special meeting provided.

~~15.13.3.3 In the event the principal does not concur with the AIA Executive Director, the principal may request the President of the AIA Executive Board to determine if the additional information is sufficient to grant the request and place the item on the agenda.~~

~~15.13.3.4 Should the President of the AIA Executive Board deny the request, the AIA Executive Board will review the material at its next regularly scheduled meeting to determine if the information is sufficient to require a review of the prior decision.~~

15.14 HARDSHIP (Form 15.10) - In individual hardship cases the AIA Executive Board or the Hardship Appeals Committee may, at their discretion and upon such terms and conditions as may be imposed, waive or modify the Enrollment Rule (Article 15, Section 3, Paragraph 4 only), Domicile Rule (Article 15, Section 5), Maximum Participation Rule (Article 15, Section 9, Paragraph 1 only), Transfer Rule (Article 15, Section 10), and/or Recruitment Rule (Article 15.12.4.14 only), and/or the International Student Eligibility Rule (Article 15.15.2 only). The appeal shall initially be heard and decided by the Hardship Appeals Committee. The decision of the Hardship Appeals Committee shall be final unless appealed to the AIA Executive Board within ~~ten~~ **five business** days from the date of said decision. AIA Executive Board consideration of such appeals will take place only at regularly scheduled monthly meetings, unless otherwise scheduled by the Board. (See Article 6, Section 3 regarding procedures for meetings of the AIA Executive Board.) Procedures for appeals to the Hardship Appeals Committee shall be as determined by the AIA Executive Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BILL WRIGHT AND SECONDED BY WHITNEY HOLLAND TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-41; No-1)

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STUDENT ELGIBLITY RULES

5A CONFERENCE – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaws:
Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 10. Transfer Rule

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:
Students that transfer to schools that do not offer sports are not doing so for athletic reasons. A student that plays a sport at school A, transfer to Primavera and back to school A is a two time transfer and has to sit 100% of that sport. This bylaw would prevent that and lower the number of hardship appeals heard by the conferences.

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15.10 TRANSFER RULE – After enrolling and attending one or more classes, a student changing enrollment from one school (sending school) to another school (receiving school) shall be considered a transferring student. For information and record keeping purposes, the receiving and sending school shall reasonably cooperate and complete Form 550.

15.10.1 **In State Transfers** – a student shall be ineligible for all contests at all levels until after the first 50% of the maximum allowable Power Rankings regular season contests in those sports in which the student participated during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the transfer. Participation is defined as a student participating in the sport during a regular season game as is specified by the AIA standardized calendar

15.10.1.4 A transfer from an AIA member school (sending school) to a non-AIA member school that does not offer any interscholastic athletics, will not be considered a transfer.

15.10.1.4.1 A subsequent transfer from that non-AIA member school back to the sending school will also not be considered a transfer under 15.10.

15.10.1.4.2 A subsequent transfer from that non-AIA member school to an AIA member school other than the sending school will result in the appropriate transfer rule period of ineligibility.

MOTION WAS MADE BY NATHAN SLATER AND SECONDED BY BILL WRIGHT TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED
(Votes Cast: Yes-36; No-6)

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PENALTIES AND APPEALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 16. Penalties and Appeals, Section 1. Penalties, Section 3. Sportsmanship Rule, Section 4. Reported Violation: Due Process Procedures, Section 5. Unreported Violation: Due Process Procedures

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide updated and clarifying language to the Bylaws; to address and deter the increased number of serious ejections that have occurred in recent years.

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16.1 PENALTIES

16.1.1 Should a violation of any AIA rule or regulation occur, the AIA Executive Board is authorized to impose any penalty specifically indicated in the rule or regulation violated and/or impose one or more of the following: (Form 16.4).

16.1.1.4 **DISQUALIFICATION** - School is ineligible to participate in a particular contest or tournament

16.1.1.4.1 In cases where a violation has occurred and a disqualification(s) **or forfeiture** results, the member school shall be afforded the opportunity to appeal the disqualification(s) **or forfeiture** and present an alternative corrective action for the AIA Executive Board to consider in lieu of disqualification(s) **or forfeiture**. The school's governing board may appeal the corrective action of disqualification(s) **or forfeiture** under one of the following conditions

16.1.1.4.1.1 The administration and coaches of the offended member school(s) submit a written request to the AIA Executive Board that the disqualification(s) **or forfeiture** imposed against the offending member school be rescinded and, if applicable, be allowed to participate in post-season competition

16.1.1.4.1.2 When a school employee(s) was responsible for the violation that caused a disqualification(s) **or forfeiture**, the offending member school shall submit a written request that the disqualification(s) **or forfeiture** be rescinded because appropriate corrective action(s) has been taken against said employee(s); such as, but not limited to, a letter of reprimand, dismissal or suspension

16.3 SPORTSMANSHIP RULE

16.3.1 Ejection from a Contest - If an AIA contest official determines that a coach or player has acted in an unsportsmanlike manner during either a period or intermission, the coach or player may be ordered to leave the contest.

*Note: When a coach or player is ejected from a contest, his/her member school should complete ~~Form 16.3~~ **electronic ejection report** and submit it to the AIA.*

16.3.1.1 Penalties for Ejection - A coach or player ejected from a contest for any reason shall be subject to the following without appeal:

16.3.1.1.1 First Ejection - Ineligible for the next contest at that level of competition and all other contests during that interim at any level.

16.3.1.1.1.2 EXCEPTION:

Coaches:

- Football / Soccer / Wrestling:
 - Directed Profanity at Opponent, Coach or Official – 2 Games
 - Unsportsmanlike Behavior – 2 Games
 - Refusal to Leave the Facility after an Ejection – Additional 1 Game
 - Intentional Contact with Official – Season
 - Fighting – Season
- Basketball / Baseball / Softball / Volleyball:
 - Directed Profanity at Opponent, Coach or Official – 3 Games
 - Unsportsmanlike Behavior – 3 Games
 - Refusal to Leave the Facility after an Ejection – Additional 1 Game
 - Intentional Contact with Official – Season
 - Fighting – Season

Player:

- Football / Soccer / Wrestling:
 - Directed Profanity – 2 Games
 - Fighting / Punching / Kicking / Spitting – 2 Games
 - Violent Conduct – 2 Games
 - Intentional Contact with Official – Season
- Basketball / Baseball / Softball / Volleyball:
 - Directed Profanity – 3 Games
 - Fighting / Punching / Kicking / Spitting – 3 Games
 - Violent Conduct – 3 Games
 - Intentional Contact with Official – 3 Games

Please note: Appeals to the exceptions listed above are permissible as set forth in Bylaw 16.3.1.1.5. An ineligibility period of one game suspension cannot be appealed with the exception of playoff implications as noted in Bylaw 16.3.5.1.1.5.

Ineligibility periods listed above shall double for a second ejection of the season.

16.3.1.1.5 **When a player or coach is ejected from a contest that has a bearing on participation in a state championship tournament, a responsible administrative officer of that school may appeal that ejection to the State Commissioner of Officials (Commissioner).**

16.3.1.1.5.1 **For purposes of this rule,** a contest defined as one having a bearing on a state championship is as follows:

- a) Last regular season contest
- b) Regional/Sectional Tournament
- c) State tournament contest
- d) **Only** the advancing team in a-b-c above

16.3.1.1.5.2 The procedure of hearing an appeal will be as follows:

- a) Appeal must be filed within 24 hours of the contest
- b) **The initial appeal report must be submitted in writing by an authorized administrator from the member school to the AIA State Commissioner of Officials using Form 16.3.**
- c) The State Commissioner will form a committee of officials/evaluators to review the ejection and any **evidence submitted available game film.**
- d) The decision of the appeal committee is final

16.4 **REPORTED VIOLATION: DUE PROCESS PROCEDURES**

16.4.5 Should the AIA Executive Board determine that the corrective action taken by a member school was not adequate for the violation reported, the AIA Executive Board shall impose disciplinary action and shall notify the member school by ~~telephone within two working days from the date of the decision and shall provide a~~ written notification to the member school upon completion of the official minutes for the AIA Executive Board meeting in which the disciplinary action was imposed. The written notification shall stipulate the disciplinary action and the right of the member school to appeal said decision. Said disciplinary action shall be effective immediately.

16.5 UNREPORTED VIOLATION: DUE PROCESS PROCEDURES

16.5.5 Should the AIA Executive Board determine that the corrective action taken by the member school was not adequate, the AIA Executive Board shall impose disciplinary action and shall notify the member school by ~~telephone within two working days from the date of the decision and shall provide a~~ written notification to the member school upon completion of the official minutes for the AIA Executive Board meeting in which the disciplinary action was imposed. The written notification shall stipulate the disciplinary action and the right of the member school to appeal said decision. Said disciplinary action shall be effective immediately.

MOTION WAS MADE BY GARYE LAFEVERS AND SECONDED BY RICKY GREER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY NATHAN SLATER AND SECONDED BY DEREK FAHLESON TO AMEND THE PROPOSAL AS FOLLOWS:
(Change: Intentional Contact with Official – 2 games; Change: move soccer and wrestling with other sports – football as standalone)

MOTION TO AMENDED - PASSED
(Votes Cast: Yes-34; No-8)

MOTION AS AMENDED – FAILED
(Votes Cast: Yes-23; No-19)

MOTION WAS MADE BY MISSY TOWNSEND AND SECONDED BY NATHAN SLATER TO RECONSIDER THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED AND REMOVE THE EXCEPTION (16.3.1.1.1.2)

MOTION TO RECONSIDER WITH REMOVAL OF EXCEPTION (16.3.1.1.1.2) – PASSED
(Votes Cast: Yes-35; No-7)

MOTION AS RECONSIDERED WITH REMOVAL OF EXCEPTION (16.3.1.1.1.2) - PASSED
(Votes Cast: Yes-35; No-7)

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COACHES AND COACHING

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 17. Coaches and Coaching, Section 1. Coaching Qualification, Section 3. Completion of Contest – Ejection of Coach

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws and remove language that is the responsibility of the school/district.

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17.1 COACHING QUALIFICATION - All head and assistant coaches, whether paid or volunteer must complete the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching course, or approved equivalent, within forty five (45) days from the date of hire. Additionally, all head and assistant coaches, whether paid or volunteer, ~~and all registered officials~~, shall complete the NFHS online education course titled "Concussion in Sports – What You Need to Know" **prior to the start of coaching duties.**

~~17.1.4 The following regulation will apply to all paid, volunteer and student teacher coaches~~

~~17.1.4.1 Any violation during competition, a state qualifying meet or post-season tournament may result in the forfeiture of the contest, elimination of that team or individual from that tournament as recommended by the Tournament Director and Tournament Games Committee, and/or such other penalty as the AIA Executive Board may impose. (See Article 16, Section 16.1).~~

~~17.1.5 Candidates for teacher certification doing practice teaching at a member school may be used as student teacher coaches during their assignment as practice teachers~~

~~17.1.6 Provisions of Paragraphs 17.1.4 and 17.1.5 above shall not be interpreted to exclude a teacher employed in grades one through eight, inclusive, from being a high school coach. Such a person shall enter into a separate formal contract with the high school governing board~~

~~17.1.7 Non-certificated personnel may be assigned as assistant coaches. Non-certificated personnel may serve as head freshman or junior varsity coaches under the supervision of an Arizona certificated teacher. Supervision shall be as defined by the Arizona Revised Statutes~~

~~17.1.7.1 Prior to commencing coaching responsibilities, non-certificated personnel must be approved by the local school administration pending final approval at the next regular meeting of the school governing board~~

~~17.1.8 Coaches / Players - Contest participation outside the season of sport between coaches and players of a single school for fund raising or entertainment purposes will not jeopardize the eligibility of a high school player~~

17.3 COMPLETION OF CONTEST – EJECTION OF COACH

17.3.1 When a coach is ejected from a contest, a properly constituted school administrator or assistant coach shall direct and supervise the team during the remainder of the contest. If no properly constitute school administrator or assistant coach is available to direct the team, the official shall declare the contest a forfeit.

17.3.1.1 The ejected coach shall immediately vacate the premises, **meaning the coach must leave the stadium, gymnasium or other competition area**

MOTION WAS MADE BY BILL WRIGHT AND SECONDED BY WHITNEY HOLLAND TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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OFFICIALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Bylaw Review Committee

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 18. Officials, Section 1. Registration, Requirements and Qualifications

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To provide clarifying language to the Bylaws and current practice.

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18.1 REGISTRATION, REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS

18.1.1 Registration requirements include payment of fees and annual written examinations on the rules and regulations for the sport which the official wishes to officiate. Registration dues do not guarantee assignment of games, either by number, type, location, or level. All registrants are subject to a background investigation, including, but not limited to, a search of any criminal record. At the discretion of the Commissioner of Officials or his/her designee, any registrant may be declined based on information obtained through the background investigation or when it is determined to be in the best interest of the AIA. ~~All head and assistant coaches, whether paid or volunteer, and all registered officials, shall complete the NFHS online education course titled “Concussion in Sports – What You Need to Know.~~ **Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, prior to starting officiating duties,**

18.1.6 Classification

- 18.1.6.3 There shall be four classifications of officials, each classification being dependent in part on the score of the open-book written examination. The requirements for each classification are as follows:
- Level (4) – **An in-state official without experience (new official).** ~~An in-state or out-of-state official with experience.~~
 - ~~Level (5) – An in-state or out-of-state official with experience.~~
 - Level (3) – **An in-state or out-of-state official with experience.** ~~Must attend required meetings and mandatory clinic and attain a minimum test score of 80%.~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCOTT WARNER AND SECONDED BY ROD HUSTON TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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POST SEASON TOURNAMENTS

4A CONFERENCE– PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 12. Post Season Tournaments, Section 1. Post-Season Tournaments

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

Updating current practice.

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12.1 POST SEASON TOURNAMENTS

12.1.6 How Region/Section Champions / Automatic Qualifiers are Determined

For purposes of determining the region/section champion/automatic qualifiers for the state tournament, it is based first on win percentage within region/section games only. Therefore, the region/section standings are sorted based on region/section win percentage.

If teams are tied on region/section win percentage, the tie breaker is as follows, and will be noted on the standings pages as such:

1. Head to Head in Region/Section Games
2. Overall Power Ranking
3. Conference/Division Win Percentage
4. Overall Win Percentage
5. ~~Overall Power Ranking~~
6. Coin Flip if simply to break a tie for seeding
7. ~~Mini playoff if to go into the tournament~~

MOTION WAS MADE BY BILL WRIGHT AND SECONDED BY MISSY TOWNSEND TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

1A-6A CONFERENCE– PROPOSED AMENDMENT

As recommended by the Track and Field Sports Advisory Committee

Amend AIA Bylaws:

Article 12. Post Season Tournaments, Section 1. Post-Season Tournaments

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

Track meets generally allow 3 to 4 entries per event. Often times students come out for track as a senior as it's the last change to be on a sport team OR a senior is not good enough to run in an invitational as a varsity team member. This bylaw change would allow for seniors to compete either in a mid-week dual meet or in a city or district meet if there is no limit on entries for sub-varsity level competition.

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14.3 MAXIMUM TEAMS PER SPORT / STUDENT GRADE LEVEL FOR TEAM PARTICIPATION

14.3.2 A member school may have multiple junior varsity and freshman/sophomore teams per sport.

14.3.2.1 A junior varsity team shall be limited to 9th, 10th and 11th grade students, with the exception of the 1A Conference.

14.3.2.1.1 EXCEPTION: Open ~~cross country races at cross country invitational meets~~ **races/events at cross country and track and field invitationals are permissible.**

MOTION WAS MADE BY EVANTA SANTEE AND SECONDED BY RON SAFCIK TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-42; No-0)

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There being no further business, on a motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

David Hines
Executive Director