



**MINUTES**  
**5A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**September 8, 2011**

Conference Chair Reynaldo Peru called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

**Members Attendance:**

Reynaldo Peru, Conference Chair  
Matt Kuffel, Northwest  
Mike Siverston, Desert West  
Steve Hogen, East Valley  
Corey Newland, Desert Valley

Dan Nero, Central  
Mark Cisterna, Fiesta  
Dan Serrano, 5A Rep Ex. Bd.  
Herman House, Southern

**Guest:**

Mike Warren, Tolleson USD  
Joe Paddock, Amphitheater USD  
Jody Brase, Catalina Foothills  
Clif McKenzie, Scottsdale USD  
John Carlson, Chandler USD

**AIA Staff present:**

David Hines, AIA Tournament Coordinator  
Dr. Harold Slemmer, AIA Executive Director  
Michele Staples, AIA Liaison

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes for the 5A committee meeting held on August 11, 2011 were approved.

**AIA REPORT (Dan Serrano)**

Dan asked the AIA Executive Board to approve monthly meetings for the 5A Conference but the board denied the request. Dan will request the following additional dates for approval to meet; 09/08/11, 11/17/11 and 02/16/11.

Brainbook - Mesa has set up a concussion course to be taken instead of the Brainbook Concussion Course but this was denied by the board. Student athletes must take the Brainbook Concussion online course in order to participate in a sport.

Heat Index - Dan Serrano informed the committee that the AIA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee is looking into a heat index grid for next year. Dan will request to the board that the conference committee have input. Mike Sivertson suggested to proceed cautiously.

Dan discussed the three new committees that have been formed and are open to district administrators: Equity in Competition Committee, Diversity Committee and Revenue/Expenses Committee. Nominations will be due by Tuesday, 09/13/11. Two nominations from each board member per committee.

Tie breakers for Sectionals was approved by the Executive Board. The helmet rule has been effective with reducing the amount of dislodged helmets during a game.

Dr. Slemmer introduced Elliott Hopkins from the NFHS who was in town.

**AIA TOURNAMENT STAFF UPDATE:**

- No Report

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AIA SPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEES:**

- Boys Cross Country Coach – Chris Hanson (Desert Vista)
- Girls Soccer Administrator – Todd Garelick (Mtn. View Marana)
- Boys Swim Administrator – Susan Edwards (McClintock)
- Boys Track Coach – Cassandra Cline (Desert Vista)
- Girls Track Administrator – Dr. Wendy Truvillion (Maryvale)
- Girls Volleyball Administrator – Sunny Resch (Horizon)

**SPORT ADVISORY REPORTS:**

- Football SAC Meeting (Mike Sivertson)
  - All-Section and All-Division teams
    - (44) for All-Section team
    - David Hines explained that the Sports Advisory Committees were questioned as to the numbers for the teams. He also explained that information will be going out to the Athletic Directors and head coaches. The AD will give the head coach a login so they can nominate their athletes by the deadline date. Then, once the nomination process has closed the coaches will be able to vote on the athletes.
- Cross Country SAC Meeting (Dan Nero)
  - Reviewed upcoming meets, Sectionals and State dates.
  - There are (14) medals currently and the committee would like to move it to (21) medals. This would stay the same for this year and to discuss for next year.
- Basketball SAC Meeting (Reynaldo Peru)
  - Discussed All-Section and All-Division teams
  - The 6 quarters per night rule was discussed.
    - Steve Hogen requested for clarification because some tournaments are being played. David Hines explained that a tournament counts as one game.
- Soccer SAC Meeting (Joe Paddock)
  - Joe Paddock handed out notes from the Soccer SAC meeting.
  - Dan Nero suggested having the computer schedule (10) games within your section and have (2) freedom games (home and away).

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Girls Basketball Administrator – Committee member position needs filled because Steve Hogen is removing himself from this committee. The conference committee nominated Steve McDowell (Desert Mountain) for Dan Serrano to take to the Executive Board for approval.

**REGION CHAIR REPORTS:**

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| ➤ Central – No Report       | Gila Valley – No Report                             |
| ➤ Desert Valley – No Report | Metro – Will an athlete show up in multiple sports? |
| ➤ Desert West – No Report   | Northwest – No Report                               |
| ➤ East Valley – No Report   | Southern – No Report                                |
| ➤ Fiesta – No Report        |                                                     |

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: **Thursday, November 17, 2011 @ 9:00 a.m.**, the AIA Offices, 7007 N. 18<sup>th</sup> ST, Phoenix