



**MINUTES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
March 19, 2012**

In accordance with Article 6, Section 6.3, Paragraph 6.3.1 of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc. (AIA) Constitution, a regular meeting of the Executive Board was held on Monday, March 19, 2012 at the AIA office located at 7007 North 18th Street in Phoenix, Arizona.

President Derek Fahleson called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Ken VanWinkle, 1A Conference (Heber-Overgaard Unified)
Wallace Youvella, Jr., 2A Conference (Hopi High School)
Derek Fahleson, CAA, 3A Conference (Estrella Foothills High School)
Arthur Wagner, CAA, 4A Conference (Higley Unified School District)
Dan Serrano, 5A Conference (Perry High School)
Sr. Lynn Winsor, BVM, CMAA, Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (Xavier College Preparatory)
David Woodall, Ed.D., Arizona School Administrators (Benson Unified School District)
Bill Gahn, CAA, AdvancED (Deer Valley Unified School District)
Mike DeLaO, Arizona School Boards Association (Safford Unified School District)
Harold Slemmer, Ed.D. AIA Executive Director

AIA Staff Present:

Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel
Chuck Schmidt, Associate Executive Director
Denise Doser, Director of Accounting
Gary Whelchel, State Commissioner of Officials
Michele Staples, Projects and Operations Administrator
Ron Halbach, Tournament Coordinator
David Hines, Tournament Coordinator
Brian Bolitho, Director of Business Media
Lorie Tranter, Executive Assistant

Guests:

Jose Garcia, AZ Republic	Dave Inness, NW Christian
Kyle Odegard, EV Tribune	Josh Schlesinger, NW Christian
Les Willsey, AIA365.com	Judeth Badgley, Yuma Catholic
Bob Fredericks, Scottsdale Christian	Rhett Stallworth, Yuma Catholic
Janet Oitzman, Gilbert Christian	Matt Smith, Corona del Sol
Nate Agostini, Horizon Honors	Jim Gowdy, Red Mountain
Jim Desmarchais, Gilbert Christian	Robert Pacheco, St. Mary's
Nancy Calahan, Tempe Prep	Rose Vargas, St. Mary's
Tyrus Timbrooks, Dysart	Nathan Richardson, Show Low
Doug Meyer, Arizona Lutheran	
Shawn Gatson, Bourgade Catholic	
Matt Harris, Rancho Solano	
Bruce Consier, Phoenix Christian	
Phil Adams, Phoenix Christian	
Shane Lewis, Phoenix Country Day	
Betsy Fera, Horizon Honors	

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

On a motion duly made, seconded and carried, President Fahleson, in accordance with Article 6, Section 6.3, Paragraph 6.3.3, Subparagraph 6.3.3.2 of the AIA Constitution, called for the following Executive Sessions to receive report from legal counsel:

- ✓ 8:38 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- ✓ 3:55 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the Executive Board meeting held on February 21, 2012 were **approved**.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Executive Board **approved** the following consent agenda items:

AIA Lifetime Passes

Michael Jensen Betty Fairfax 25 years

Requests for AIA Sanction / Intrastate and Interstate Activities – 2011-2012 Master Calendar

In accordance with Article 10, Section 10.1 of the AIA Bylaws, the Executive Board approved the sanction requests for the intrastate and interstate activities reflected in the 2011-2012 Master Calendar. The master calendar is posted online at <http://www.aiaonline.org/calendar/?id=5>.

The Master Calendar, which is prepared by the AIA for its member schools, reflects activities (events) that have been sanctioned by the AIA Executive Board. It is the responsibility of each member school to limit its participation in these sanctioned activities to the maximum number of contests set forth in the AIA Bylaws.

Non-Sanctioned Activities – 2011-2012 Informational Calendar

The Executive Board accepted the calendar placement requests for the non-sanctioned activities reflected in the 2011-2012 Informational Calendar.

The Informational Calendar, which is prepared by the AIA as a convenience for its member schools, reflects non-sanctioned activities, which do not fall under AIA jurisdiction. The Informational Calendar is posted online at <http://www.aiaonline.org/calendar/?id=2>.

Cancellation Requests – Varsity Contests and/or Programs

Beaver Dam (1A)	Entire 2012 Football Program
Bowie/San Simon (1A)	Entire Softball Program
Santa Rita (4A)	Entire Boys' Volleyball Program
St. Michael (1A)	Entire Baseball Program
Thunderbird Adventist (1A)	Entire Softball Program

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Cont'd

Conference/Region Meeting Agendas and Minutes

- 1A South Athletic Director's Meeting Minutes – 2/6/12
- 4A East Sky/Desert Sky Region Minutes – 3/1/12
- 5A Committee Agenda – 4/11/12

FINANCIAL REPORTS

In accordance with Article 6, Section 6.5, Paragraph 6.5.15 of the AIA Bylaws, the Executive Board **approved** the following financial report:

- ✓ Financial Report for February, 2012

MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS

Doug Meyer – representing Private/Parochial Schools – addressed the Board with the following concerns:

- Classification of “EGE” schools
- EGE vs. open enrollment
- Choice of a private/parochial school
- Travel, safety & participation
- AIA process for change

Nate Agostini – representing Charter Schools – addressed the Board with the following concerns:

- Lack of representation from charter schools
- Charter schools are public schools
- Not at a competitive advantage
- Charter school state championships and runner-up results
- Cannot field FR/JV teams
- Facilities are small – lack parking
- Coed golf & soccer

Bob Fredericks – Scottsdale Christian – addressed the Board with the following concerns:

- Student participation
- Club coaches
- Private schools in Maricopa County – most student live close to schools
- Overall enrollment going down
- Tax monies earmarked for particular students

Matt Smith – Soccer Advisory Committee, addressed the Board regarding the following two proposals:

- That the computer schedule less home & home matches and play more opponents in the section and division.
- That the 2013 state soccer tournament increases to 24 teams to capture any teams that might not qualify because of scheduling concerns.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Dr. Slemmer reported on a proposal created by the Competitive Equity Committee. The following proposal is to be shared with all conferences by their representatives and any suggestions/changes are to be brought back to the Executive Board for further discussion and modifications. Also discussed was the possibility of a future Legislative Council meeting to vote on a final proposal for the next 2-year scheduling block.

Division Alignment Process by Sport:

1. Each school enters their enrollment as of Oct. 1, 2012
2. Each school selects the varsity sports they will participate in for the 2013-2015 school years
3. The computer then divides schools into divisions equally
4. The computer then moves Expanded Geographical Enrollment (EGE) schools up one division
 - a. Exception is 8-man football as there is only one 8-man football division
5. The computer then moves an equal number of non-EGE schools down one division to make the divisions equal numbers
6. The divisions are then released for schools to review
7. Schools then have the opportunity to appeal up or appeal down a division
 - a. Non-EGE schools may appeal down if they meet two of the three:
 - i. School is located over 25 miles outside of a metro high school
 - ii. School has over 50% of its students on a Free & Reduced lunch plan
 - iii. School within a particular sport has been in the bottom eight for final season power rankings in their respective division and/or conference the past three seasons
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 - iii. School within a particular sport has been in the bottom eight for final season power rankings in their respective division and/or conference the past three seasons
8. The Sports Advisory Committee then views the appeals and approves or denies
9. The AIA Executive Board can then hear appeals of denials made by the Sports Advisory Committee
10. The Divisions are finalized
11. Sections are then generated and released to the schools
12. Schools can appeal section placement
13. The AIA Executive Board hears the appeals and finalizes the sections
14. The Divisions and Section are now finalized
15. The Computer Scheduling Program is then initiated to generate schedules based on the program outline

Dr. Slemmer also addressed the 1A Conference regarding their limitations, travel issues and uniqueness. Discussed was the possibility of accommodating the 1A Conference by post season play scheduling.

Discussion was held regarding a possible Transfer Rule amendment. Dr. Slemmer noted that other states have a rule that states - if a student transfers after their freshman year, even with a change of domicile, within a 50-mile radius of their previous school, the athlete is **ineligible** for one year. The Board would like conferences to discuss this possible amendment with the membership.

A recommendation from the Power Rankings Committee was presented to the Board. On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the following modification to the variable: Rather than multiplying the number of points given by a schools opponent by the number of games the particular school plays, **it will be multiplied by the normal number of games played in a regular season.** Power Rankings Committee and MaxPreps.com will reconvene after the spring sports season to look at the formula for other potential modifications for the fall of 2012.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Cont'd

Data was shared with the Board regarding email tracking statistics from Constant Contact related to emails sent from the AIA. It was noted that when information is sent out from the AIA office, less than half of the emails are even opened. Dr. Slemmer shared with the Board the following proposal from Mr. Mark Goodman, Principal - St. David:

2.6 *Responsibility of School Administrator*

- 2.6.6. *School Administration and Athletic Directors must assume responsibility to remain current with the AIA Bylaws and communications as updated and posted on Association's website. Athletic Directors should make every attempt to attend their Regional and Conference meetings so that proper communication and representation may occur.*

Dr. Slemmer updated the Board on the AIA Sectional basketball process. Discussed were sectional site selections and game management. It was noted that there were 356 games and over 700 accounting tiers for sectional basketball only. A survey will soon be sent to membership related to sectional tournaments.

Information from the NFHS Sports Medicine Advisory Committee – “Health & Wellness: A Coach’s Guide to Hydration, Nutrition and Supplements” was shared with the Board. It was noted that Mr. Schmidt is currently working with the NFHS in developing a process and video related to heat safety.

The Board addressed a question from Blue Ridge regarding “outside monies” and monies from student activity accounts.

- 17.1.3 *Any and all salary or remuneration shall be from the school district by which the coach is employed and no salary or remuneration for school coaching shall be from any outside source.*

The Board determined that monies from student activity accounts are not considered from an outside source if the money is processed through accounts over which the school has responsibility, control and final authority.

The Board was updated on Max Preps and the process for schools to supply rosters, etc. A full tutorial will soon be available for schools to use and future visits from Max Preps will be held in the Fall, Winter and Spring.

The following numbers from AIA365.com were shared with the Board:

- 404% increase in page views in one year
- Over 1 million page views since February 2011
- 2.9 million page views from August 2011 to February 2012

Mr. Bolitho noted that AIA365.com is now housed in a building across the parking lot from the main AIA building which will house Mr. Bolitho, a programmer, 13 interns who will be producing content, 5 full time writers devoted to AIA content around the entire state, and a green room will be created for a virtual sports center set.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** Dr. Slemmer’s contract.

Open Discussion – Current Issues

4A –

- Sectional game site concerns
- Smaller recognition levels for athletes
- Determination of sectional champs

**STUDENT ELIGIBILITY APPEAL
REQUEST FOR HARDSHIP ELIGIBILITY – MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION RULE**

The following representatives entered the meeting for a student eligibility appeal and left upon completion of their presentations:

Nathan Richardson, Athletic Director

Following review and discussion of the written and oral information presented, the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 15, Section 15.9 of the AIA Bylaws, **denied** the hardship eligibility request:

- Show Low

**STUDENT ELIGIBILITY APPEAL
REQUEST FOR HARDSHIP ELIGIBILITY – HARDSHIP RULE**

The following representatives entered the meeting for a student eligibility appeal and left upon completion of their presentations:

Tyrus Timbrooks, Athletic Director, Parent and Student

Following review and discussion of the written and oral information presented, the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 15, Section 15.9 of the AIA Bylaws, **denied** the hardship eligibility request:

- Dysart

EXCEPTION TO AIA BYLAW 14.2.1 – SALPOINTE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Rule: Article 14. General Provisions, Section 14.2 Practice

14.2.1 No practice, contest, chalk talk or films are permitted on **Sunday** during the school year

Salpointe Catholic High School has scheduled a varsity football game for Saturday, August 18, 2012 against Crespi Carmelite High School from Encino, CA at 7:00 p.m. Salpointe's fear is that Tucson will have a monsoon storm and will not be able to play the game that evening. If granted the waiver, the game could be played on Sunday morning at 9:00 or 10:00 a.m. and still give Crespi ample time to return to California. Salpointe would not exercise this exception if not needed.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **TABLED** the request. Dr. Slemmer will work directly with Mr. Gruensfelder on this matter.

EXCEPTION TO AIA BYLAWS 20.5.3 & 26.5.3.1 – HAYDEN HIGH SCHOOL

Rule: *Article 20. Baseball, Section 20.5 Number of Games in Season*
Article 26. Softball, Section 26.5 Number of Games in Season

20.5.3.2 EXCEPTION: ~~3A-Conference~~ **Division III & IV** schools, because of their limited enrollment, may permit a player to participate in 50% more matches or games than the regularly scheduled matches or games per season, excluding qualifying and post-season tournaments.

Example: If a school scheduled 20 games or matches, each player could participate in 50% more games or matches for a total of 30.

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Hayden High School requested an exception from the 50% rule in baseball and softball. Rosters were attached.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the exceptions.

EXCEPTION TO AIA BYLAW 30.5.3 – SETON CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Rule: *Article 30. Volleyball, Section 30.5 Number of Games in Season*

30.5.3.2 EXCEPTION: ~~3A-Conference~~ **Division III** schools, because of their limited enrollment, may permit a player to participate in 50% more matches or games than the regularly scheduled matches or games per season, excluding qualifying and post-season tournaments.

Example: If a school scheduled 20 games or matches, each player could participate in 50% more games or matches for a total of 30.

Seton Catholic High School requested an exception from the 50% rule in boys' volleyball. Rosters were received.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the exception.

ADDITIONAL GAME REQUESTS

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the following:

Mountain View Mesa - an additional freshman baseball game to help fill **Desert Vista's** schedule.

2011-2012 TONY KOMADINA AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING GIRLS' ATHLETIC PROGRAM

The AIA Executive Board reviewed recommendations from the Girls Equity in Sports Standing Committee for the 1A-3A Conference and the 4A-5A Conference 2011-2012 Tony Komadina Award for Outstanding Girls' Athletic Program. In accordance with Article 13, Section 13.3 of the AIA Bylaws and on a motion made, seconded and carried, the Board unanimously voted to **approve** the following award recipients:

- **1A-3A** **Estrella Foothills**
- **4A-5A** **Hamilton**

Derek Fahleson abstained from voting.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS

Ft. Thomas High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, *Article 2. Membership, Section 2.6 Responsibility of School Administrators*

Reported Violation:

Inappropriate behavior of two varsity boys' basketball players. One player was ejected for receiving two technical fouls. After he was ejected, he walked the length of the floor towards the locker room. When he reached mid-court he turned and flipped off the official with both hands and said, "F--- You." and continued to yell, took off his jersey and threw it on the floor. Principal escorted him to the locker room. Second player bumped into official at mid-court. Official said it was on purpose and the player said he did not see the official standing there. However, this player was thrown out of the game for his actions. The conduct of these players does not adhere to the principles and spirit of good sportsmanship.

School's Corrective Action:

Administration has talked to coaches and players about appropriate ways to act. We talk to players about behavior/choices at the beginning of the year. We will now have reminders throughout the season, to help our kids remember what is appropriate and what is not. First player was suspended from school for three (3) days and must attend counseling to help him with making better choices and not get caught in the moment. Second player was suspended from school for one (1) day upon an investigation. He was also talked to on different occasions by the Principal about this situation.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Ft. Thomas High School **Boys' Basketball Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

Flowing Wells High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, Article 14. General Provisions, Section 14.3 Maximum Teams Per Sport / Student Grade Level for Team Participation

1st Violation:

Reported Violation:

Ineligible wrestler. A senior was allowed to compete in a junior varsity wrestling tournament.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests forfeited. The head coach and the assistant coach were assigned to home for the remainder of the season.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Flowing Wells High School **Wrestling Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

2nd Violation:

Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 15.10 Transfer Rule

Reported Violation:

Ineligible wrestler. A transfer student from California was allowed to wrestle in a JV tournament prior to completing the 520 form and prior to completing 10 days of classroom attendance.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests forfeited. The head coach was notified of this time constraint and chose to allow the athlete to participate. The head coach and the assistant coach were assigned to home for the remainder of the season.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Flowing Wells High School **Wrestling Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

Flagstaff High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, *Article 14. General Provisions, Section 14.4 Nonschool Participation*

1st Violation:**Reported Violation:**

Ineligible girls' basketball player. At the conclusion of the sectional tournament on 2/7/12, student went home over the weekend and participated in a basketball tournament on the reservation. Coach was alerted to the fact on Monday and we spoke to the student. She is a freshman and indicated that she did not understand the rule and many of her peers were playing. The difference is that the student is on the varsity squad and was scheduled to play in the state tournament. Student was informed that she will forfeit her eligibility for the remainder of this basketball season.

School's Corrective Action:

Coaches currently are trained to educate their students regarding nonschool participation and do so during their pre-season meetings. Will continue to emphasize this aspect to our training and spend more time discussing it in pre-season meetings. Additionally, we will begin using athletes to deliver this message and have them share the consequences and how devastating they can be to a team.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Flagstaff High School **Girls' Basketball Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

2ND Violation:

Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 15.7 Physical Examination Rule, Section 15.8 Parental or Legal Guardian Consent Rule

Reported Violation:

Ineligible spiritline participants. Two students were allowed to compete in spiritline without having completed the clearance packet. They did not show up on the roster nor did the spiritline coach have their clearance form in her possession.

School's Corrective Action:

The coach has been re-educated on the correct process for students to be allowed to participate. We also reviewed the Coaches Handbook and went over the procedures regarding student eligibility. She has also received a letter of direction regarding adhering to procedures and policies.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Flagstaff High School **Spiritline Program** on **Warning** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

Tombstone High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, Article 14. General Provisions, Section 14.14 Concussion Education

Reported Violation:

Six (6) ineligible athletes. Athletic Director printed off all the Brainbook test results and compared them to the current spring sports rosters. Coaches set aside a day for all players to go to the computer lab if they needed to take the Brainbook test. The coaches assumed that all of their players had taken the Brainbook test.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests not forfeited. Some athletes did not compete and those who did, lost the contests. The coaches received a written reprimand. All coaches have been re-educated regarding participant eligibility requirements and administrative procedures have changed. All students will be required to have a signed checklist from the A.D. before they can participate in a sport.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Tombstone High School **Activities Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

Chandler High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 15.5 Domicile Rule

Reported Violation:

Ineligible JV football player. The athletic office mistakenly cleared a sophomore transfer from Perry High School who did not change domicile. On the forms submitted by the student and parents, it states that he played for Perry last year. He was still cleared and issued a clearance card to participate for the season. The mistake was made by the athletic office, not the coaches.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests forfeited. Will just try to do a better job in the future. The procedure usually works, it should work, but this time it didn't.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Chandler High School **Activities Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

Dan Serrano abstained from voting.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

San Luis High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 15.7 Physical Examination Rule, Section 15.8 Parental or Legal Guardian Consent Rule

Reported Violation:

Ineligible JV softball player. Student did not turn in a clearance packet to the athletic secretary. The packet was not on file. The athlete forged the clearance card. The coach did not follow clearance procedures to check for clearance stamp and signature. The JV softball player participated in practice and played in two (2) JV softball games before coach realized she was not cleared to participate.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests not forfeited – San Luis lost all games. Meeting with coach to review the clearance procedures. Discipline of student for the forgery. School will change clearance packet and clearance procedures for the 2012-2013 school year. In-service of all coaches at beginning of each season.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the San Luis High School **Activities Program** on **Warning** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

Mountain Ridge High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 15.10 Transfer Rule

Reported Violation:

Ineligible baseball player. Student transferred from North Canyon at start of Spring 2012 semester. Enrollment date of 1/23/12. 520 form was received with no red flags and current lease was given to school. Anonymous letter forwarded by AIA on 2/27/12 which warranted further investigation and showed inaccurate information give to receiving school.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests forfeited. The A.D. investigated situation immediately. Student found to be ineligible and was not allowed to play in any further spring 2012 baseball games. The athletic office reviewed bylaws. Athletic office will screen all 520 forms and transfer information meticulously to ensure that all eligibility rules are followed before a student is cleared to participate in the school's athletic program.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Mountain Ridge High School **Activities Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

Bill Gahn abstained from voting.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

Pinnacle High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, *Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 15.15 International Student Eligibility*

Reported Violation:

Ineligible girls' tennis player. Student is part of a foreign exchange program that is not CSIET approved. Student played on the varsity team for two (2) matches.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests forfeited. PVUSD high school athletic departments will be counseled on the CSIET approved programs and the differentiations between the types of foreign exchange/international students that attend our schools and their eligibility.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Pinnacle High School **Activities Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

Mountain View (Mesa) High School reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, *Article 16. Penalties and Appeals, Section 16.3 Sportsmanship Rule*

Reported Violation:

After the boys' soccer game was called, due to Skyline not having enough players, a Skyline kid punched a Mountain View kid and a fight broke out. Several kids left the bench area by witness accounts.

School's Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. Our six (6) kids sat the next game as well two (2) of those six (6) sat two games. Head coach was updated on proper protocol when an event like this takes place. Mountain View is apologetic and embarrassed that this incident transpired.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Mountain View High School **Boys' Soccer Program** on **Advisement** for one year 3/19/12-3/19/13.

YUMA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules. Section 15.12 Recruitment Rule

- 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.

Executive Board Action:

On February 21, 2012, the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, **Tabled** the possible violation and requested that the Yuma Catholic Principal address the Board on March 19, 2012.

The following representatives entered the meeting for a school report and left upon completion of their presentations:

***Judeth Badgley, Principal
Rhett Stallworth, Athletic Director***

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **accepted** the report.

HARDSHIP APPEALS

Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 15.14 Hardship

- 15.14 HARDSHIP** - 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 15.3, Paragraph 15.3.5 only), Domicile Rule (Article 15, Section 15.5), Maximum Participation Rule (Article 15, Section 15.9, Paragraph 15.9.1 only and/or Transfer Rule (Article 15, Section 15.10). 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 days from the date of said decision. AIA Executive Board consideration of such appeals will take place only at a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. (See Article 6, Section 6.3 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.

The following representatives entered the meeting for a student eligibility appeal and left upon completion of their presentations:

St. Mary's Rose Vargas, Athletic Director, Robert Pacheco, Softball Coach, Parent and Student
Red Mountain Jim Gowdy, Athletic Director

Following review and discussion of the written and oral information presented, the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 15, Section 15.14 of the AIA Bylaws, **denied** the following hardship eligibility request:

- ✓ St. Mary's

EXECUTIVE BOARD INFORMATION

Dr. Slemmer provided the Executive Board with the following correspondence:

Correspondence:

- Email – Mark Heller, EV Tribune re: Great Job – Basketball Tournaments
- Article – Gannett to increase dividend (*USA Today 2/24/12*)
- Letter – Merle Sloan – Football coaches deliberately running up game scores
- Thank You – Dan Nero, Corona del Sol
- Article – High school fans may get own channel (*USA Today 2/13/12*)
- Article – REAP – A Community-based Concussion Management Protocol (*High School Today February 2012*)
- Thank You – NFHS & Ohio Association

FUTURE DATES

April 6, 2012	Holiday – AIA Office Closed
April 16, 2012	AIA Executive Board Meeting
May 21, 2012	AIA Executive Board Meeting
May 28, 2012	Holiday – AIA Office Closed

NEXT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

In accordance with Article 6, Section 6.3, Paragraph 6.3.1 of the AIA Constitution, the next regular meeting of the AIA Executive Board will be held on Monday, April 16, 2012. The meeting will be held at the AIA office located at 7007 North 18th Street in Phoenix, Arizona.

Proposed items for the next Executive Board agenda must be received in the AIA office by Thursday, April 5, 2012.

There being no further business, and on a motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Slemmer, Ed.D.
Executive Director