



MINUTES
SPECIAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Santa Rita High School
Mountain View Marana High School
October 29, 2014

In accordance with Article 6, Section 6.3, Paragraph 6.3.1 of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc. (AIA) Constitution, a special meeting of the Executive Board was held on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at the AIA office located at 7007 North 18th Street in Phoenix, Arizona.

President Doug Wilson called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Doug Wilson, Ed.D., Arizona School Administrators (Marana Unified School District)
Harold Slemmer, Ed.D., AIA Executive Director

Members in Attendance (Teleconference)

Ken VanWinkle, 1A Conference (Heber-Overgaard Unified)
Wallace Youvella, Jr., 2A Conference (Hopi High School)
Brenda Mayberry, 3A Conference (Combs High School)
Joe Paddock, 4A Conference (Amphitheater Unified District)
Sr. Lynn Winsor, BVM, CMAA, Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (Xavier College Preparatory)
Mike DeLaO, Arizona School Boards Association (Safford Unified School District)

Members Absent:

Anna Battle, Ed.D., 5A Conference (Tempe Union High School District)
Toni Badone, AdvancED (Yuma Union High School District)

AIA Staff Present:

Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel
Chuck Schmidt, Associate Executive Director/COO
Brian Bolitho, Director of Business Media
Lorie Tranter, Executive Assistant

Guests:

Daniel Gaona, AZ Daily Star
Richard Obert, AZ Republic

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

James Palacious, Principal
Harvey Thompson, Athletic Director
Herman House, TUSD

SANTA RITA HIGH SCHOOL reported a violation of the AIA Bylaws; namely, Article 15. General Provisions, Section, 15.10 Transfer Rule

Reported Violation:

Two (2) ineligible football players. Transfer students.

1st student – While the 520 form was completed, a 530 form should have been completed because it would have indicated that the student played at Santa Rita last year. A formal hardship appeal should also have been completed to make the student eligible. The student was enrolled at Santa Rita as a freshman and withdrew his sophomore year. He re-enrolled at Santa Rita as a junior. He left Santa Rita to attend a charter school to complete credit recovery. The charter school he enrolled at did not have an athletic program, so he did not play football and was not flagged on his 520 form.

2nd student – Student withdrew his sophomore year. He was enrolled at Sahuaro and withdrew for safety reasons. With a new administration Mom felt that the campus was safe again and wanted her son to return to his home school. Student re-enrolled.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests forfeited. Will have specific professional development for all administrators on campus to understand the forms as they relate to student eligibility. This same professional development will be given to all coaches. Coaches will be required to collect all paperwork from players and verify eligibility. New clearance process in place. See report for details.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Santa Rita High School **Activities Program** on **Warning** for one year 10/29/14-10/29/15 and due to lack of a motion, **denied** rescinding the forfeitures.

Vice-President Mike DeLaO conducted meeting in Doug Wilson's absence.

The following representative entered the meeting for a school report and left upon completion of her presentation:

Carolyn Dumler, Assistant Superintendent – Marana Unified School District

Doug Wilson & Joe Paddock left meeting and abstained from voting.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION

MOUNTAIN VIEW MARANA HIGH SCHOOL

On 10/21/14, the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Mountain View Marana High School **Football Program** on **Probation** for one year for a reported violation of Article 15. General Provisions, Section 15.12 Recruitment Rule of the AIA Bylaws.

In accordance with the due process provisions of Article 16, Section 16.4, Paragraph 16.4.5 of the AIA Bylaws, Mountain View High School submitted an appeal for reconsideration of the Probation sanction against the Football Program.

Updated Corrective Action:

Mountain View High School will provide Head Coach a letter of discipline regarding recruitment. He will also serve a one game suspension during the current 2014 football season.

Executive Board Action:

Due to a lack of a motion, the appeal was **denied**. The Football Program will remain on **Probation** for one year 10/20/14-10/20/15.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Slemmer, Ed.D.
Executive Director