



**MINUTES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
January 19, 2016**

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 Tuesday, January 19, 2016 at the AIA office located at 7007 North 18th Street in Phoenix, Arizona.

President Mike DeLaO called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Mark Goodman, 1A Conference (St. David Unified School District)
Lonnie Tvrdy, 2A Conference (Pusch Ridge Christian Academy)
Jacob Holiday, 3A Conference (Monument Valley High School)
Joe Paddock, 4A Conference (Amphitheater District)
Anna Battle, Ed.D, 5A Conference (Tempe Union High School District)
Sr. Lynn Winsor, BVM, CMAA, Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (Xavier College Preparatory)
Camille Casteel, Ed.D, Arizona School Administrators (Chandler Unified School District)
Mike DeLaO, Arizona School Boards Association (Safford Unified School District)
Harold Slemmer, Ed.D., AIA Executive Director

Members Absent:

Travis Udall, AdvancED (Round Valley Unified Schools)

AIA Staff Present:

Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel
David Hines, Assistant Executive Director
Gary Whelchel, State Commissioner of Officials
Denise Doser, Director of Finance
Dean Visser, Tournament Coordinator
Ron Halbach, Tournament Coordinator
Tayler Coady, Executive Assistant

Guests:

Jose Garcia, AzPreps365
Scott Burdow, AZcentral
Aaron Trigg, Rancho Solano
Michael Fowler, HUSD
Wendy Truvillion, Alhambra

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes from the December 7, 2015 meeting 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

Jeff Snyder	Dobson	26 years
Remijio Chacon	Carl Hayden	28 years
Dr. Gerald Slemmer	Red Mountain	Retired
Duane Howard	Chino Valley	Retired
Patrick O'Donnell	Superior	31 years
Darrell Mosier	Joseph City	26 years
Bill Woods	Brophy	25 years
Gale Bundrick	Canyon del Oro	29 years
Sammy Duane Jr	Corona Del Sol	Retired
Joseph Maisel	Corona Del Sol	26 years

Requests for AIA Sanction / Intrastate and Interstate Activities – 2015-2016 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 2015-2016 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.

CANCELLATION REQUESTS – CONTESTS AND/OR PROGRAMS

In accordance with Article 11, Section 11.4, Paragraph 11.4.3, Subparagraph 11.4.3.1 of the AIA Bylaws, the Executive Board **approved** the following cancellation request for a varsity program that could have a bearing on regional or state playoffs:

Page	JV Boys Soccer Program
North Phoenix Prep	JV Girls Basketball Program
San Pasqual	JV Boys Soccer Contest with Yuma Catholic 12/2/15
	JV B Basketball Contest with Yuma Catholic 11/24/15
Telesis Prep	VAR Boys Soccer Program
San Luis	FR Girls Basketball Program
Cibecue	JV Girls Basketball Contest with Pinon on 1/27/16
Greyhills	FR Boys Basketball Contest with Pinon on 2/16/16
Shadow Ridge	VAR/JV Boys Soccer Contest with Dysart on 12/9/15
	VAR/JV/FR Girls Basketball Contests with Willow Canyon on 12/9/15
St. Johns	VAR Wrestling Contest with Pinon on 12/16/15
Joy Christian	JV Girls Basketball Program
Catalina	JV Girls Basketball Program
	VAR WR Contest with Flowing Wells, Douglas & Sahuarita on 1/6/16
Santa Rita	VAR Boys Soccer Contests with: NFL Yet on 12/11/15 San Miguel on 12/18/15
Sedona Red Rock	JV Boys Soccer Program
San Tan Foothills	JV Boys Basketball Program
Greyhills Academy	FR Girls Basketball Program
Seton Catholic	VAR WR Contest with Skyline on 1/5/16
Blue Ridge	VAR/JV WR Contest with: Kingman & Chinle on 1/6/15

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 for December 2015
- ✓ AIA Employee Handbook

MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Dr. Slemmer shared information and topics discussed during the NFHS Winter Meeting held in Hawaii. He updated the board on a nation-wide campaign the National Federation of State High School Associations started to help promote the benefits of participating in high school activities. Dr. Slemmer shared a couple of audio clips the AIA has created to help the cause. "We want to share the story of the benefits of high school participation as well as making it safer," Dr. Slemmer stated.

Dr. Slemmer provided a few documents from the winter meeting of topics discussed. Those topics were:

- Synthesizing the Section Findings
- Assets, Strategies, and Changing the Story

During the NFHS Winter Meeting, USA Baseball presented a pitch count chart for every age group. Dr. Slemmer state that the board should expect a proposed bylaw to come forth based on the USA Baseball recommendations.

David Hines and Dr. Slemmer met with Governor Doug Ducey's chief of staff, Kirk Adams, to address the competitive concerns that 9th graders are creating by enrolling at out of boundary schools. During this exploratory meeting Mr. Hines and Dr. Slemmer expressed their concerns about the challenges of investigating recruiting allegations of incoming 9th graders.

Dr. Slemmer provided some background on a company, Register My Athlete, and the many features that are offered. Register My Athlete is a digital eligibility process that collects data on the students during high school. There are some districts that already use this process.

Project Unify Conference will be held on February 1, 2016 at the Wigwam Resort, Dr. Slemmer and Mr. Hines will be participating.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY APPEAL – PAPER REVIEW
REQUEST FOR HARDSHIP ELIGIBILITY – DOMICILE RULE – LEGAL GUARDIAN

Following review and discussion of the written and oral information presented, the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 15, Section 15.5 of the AIA Bylaws, **approved** the following legal guardianship request:

- Queen Creek

ADDITIONAL GAME REQUESTS

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

Tucson High – an additional boys' basketball game to help fill **Mountain View - Mesa's** schedule.
Campo Verde – an additional JV girls' soccer game to help fill **Williams Field's** schedule.
Apache Junction – an additional girls' softball game to help fill **Window Rock's** schedule.
Chinle – an additional boys' basketball game to help fill **Tuba City's** schedule.
Greyhills Academy – an additional boys' basketball game to help fill **Tuba City's** schedule.
Hopi – an additional boys' basketball game to help fill **Tuba City's** schedule.
Winslow – an additional girls' basketball game to help fill **Tuba City's** schedule.
Salpointe Catholic – an additional boys' volleyball game to help fill **Sunnyside's** schedule.
Tolleson – an additional baseball game to help fill **Cienega's** schedule.
Boulder Creek – an additional boys' volleyball game to help fill **Prescott's** schedule.
Chino Valley – an additional baseball game to help fill **Holbrook's** schedule.

GLOBE-MIAMI REQUEST – EXCEPTION TO AIA BYLAW 8.1.7

Prior to Tuesday's meeting Mr. Bobby Armenta, Principal at Globe High School, requested that this agenda item be removed until a further date.

REQUEST - REPLACEMENT OF A COMPLIMENTARY PASS

14.11.2.1.2 Replacement of a Complimentary Pass - A request for replacement of a complimentary pass must be approved by the AIA Executive Board.

The following are requesting a replacement of a complimentary pass for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Aaron Chenoweth – Girls Basketball Coach, Ray High School

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** Aaron Chenoweth to receive a new complimentary pass, upon payment of replacement fee.

2015-2016 INDIVIDUAL SPORTS PROPOSAL

Request that classification for individual sports remain Divisions and Sections.

Rationale: The number of schools that compete in these sports vary from sport to sport, thus some conferences will be split or combined to maintain the state tournament format for these sports. Qualifying to the state tournament is unique to each individual sport and must be thought of differently than team sports. Continuing with Division model in individual sports allows the AIA to continue the equitable qualifying for individuals into the respective state tournaments. This model has proven profitable or at least a break-even format for the individual sports.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the above proposal to have individual sports classification remain Divisions and Sections.

PEORIA DISTRICT – REQUEST – ADDITIONAL DISTRICT TENNIS TOURNAMENT

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the following request for the below Peoria district high schools to participate in an additional district tennis tournament.

Peoria District is requesting an additional district tennis tournament to be held on Friday, April 1 at Liberty High School and Sunrise Mountain High School. The following district schools would participate in the tournament:

- Peoria
- Cactus
- Sunrise Mountain
- Centennial
- Ironwood
- Liberty
- Raymond S. Kellis

APPLICATION FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP

Metro Tech High School, located at 1900 W Thomas Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015, submitted a written application for full membership effective with the 2016-2017 school year. In accordance with Article 2, Section 2.2, Paragraphs 2.2.1 and 2.2.2 of the AIA Constitution, the Executive Board **accepted** the written application from Metro Tech High School and granted approval to proceed with an on-site evaluation.

CHANDLER HIGH SCHOOL – REQUEST – EXCEPTION TO AIA BYLAW 14.7.2

Rule: Article 14. General Provisions, Section 14.7 All Star Competition

14.7.2 During the school year, administrators and coaches shall decline any invitation to participate in all-star competition, shall refrain from recommending any student athlete for all-star competition and shall refuse to provide use of any high school facility for all-star competition, unless specifically sanctioned by the Executive Board.

Chandler High School is asking for an exception for the following coaches to participate in and upcoming international bowl game where Team USA will play Team Canada. This event will take place at the AT&T Stadium in Dallas, TX on January 31, 2016.

- Shaun Aguano
- Roger Murdock
- George Hwathorne
- Rick Garretson

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the request for the above listed coaches to participate in an international bowl game.

NONSCHOOL PARTICIPATION – PROPOSAL FOR SAND VOLLEYBALL

Request that sand volleyball have an exception to AIA Bylaw 14.4.1

Rationale: Sand volleyball is not one of the team sports identified in AIA bylaw; article 14.4.1 identified as a sport where the participant cannot practice or compete with an outside group, club, organization or organization. Recommendation that the AIA Executive Board issue a determination that sand volleyball is not bound by the Non-school Participation bylaw and therefore may practice or compete with an outside group, club, organization or organization during the AIA season of sport for sand volleyball.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the above bylaw exception proposal for sand volleyball.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO AIA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

The Track and Field sports advisory committee would like to propose the following amendment to AIA Article 29 for Emergency Legislation for the 2016 Spring season.

29.2 SEASON OF SPORT

29.2.3	<u>Spring Season</u>	Practice Competition Championship	no sooner than the no sooner than the to be concluded by the	32nd week 35th 34th week 45th week
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Rationale: because the state track and field meet is a week earlier, member schools are scrambling to schedule all of their qualifying meet with in the spring Track and Field season of sport.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board **approved** the amendment for the 2016 Track and Field spring season for **Emergency Legislation**.

DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO AIA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

The board discussed the below AIA Constitution and Bylaws and the possible amendments requested by the AIA Staff.

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the board **approved** the below amendments to be placed on the March 4th Legislative Council Agenda.

(A) Article 21 - Basketball

21.2 SEASON OF SPORT

- 21.2.1 The AIA Standardized Calendar shall be used to identify the starting week for practice, competition and the conclusion of post-season competition.
- 21.2.2 The season of competition for a school shall conclude with that school's last AIA sanctioned competition.
- 21.2.3 Winter Season Practice no sooner than the 18th week
 Competition no sooner than the 21st week
 Championship to be concluded by the 35th **36th** week

(B) Article 25 – Soccer

25.2 SEASON OF SPORT

- 25.2.1 The AIA Standardized Calendar shall be used to identify the starting week for practice, competition and the conclusion of post-season competition.
- 25.2.2 The season of competition for a school shall conclude with that school's last AIA sanctioned competition.
- 25.2.3 Fall Season Practice no sooner than the 6th week
 Competition no sooner than the 9th week
 Championship to be concluded by the 23rd week
- Winter Season Practice no sooner than the 18th week
 Competition no sooner than the 21st week
 Championship to be concluded by the 34th week
- ~~Spring Season Practice no sooner than the 32nd week
 Competition no sooner than the 35th week
 Championship to be concluded by the 45th week~~

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO AIA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS – ARTICLE 6

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the board **approved** the below amendment to be placed on the March 4th Legislative Council Agenda.

Rationale: With the adoption of the 6A Conference the representation needs to be reflected in the AIA Bylaw Article 6 – AIA Executive Board.

6.1 AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS - There shall be ~~nine~~ **ten** voting members consisting of:

- 6.1.1 One member from a 1A Conference school.
- One member from a 2A Conference school.
- One member from a 3A Conference school.
- One member from a 4A Conference school.
- One member from a 5A Conference school.
- One member from a 6A Conference school.**
- One member from the Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (AIAAA).
- One member from the Arizona School Administrators (ASA).
- One member from the Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA).
- One member from the AdvancED Commission on Accreditation & School Improvement.

6.2.5 The terms of those serving shall expire at the end of the sixth week of the years as noted below:

<u>Representing:</u>					
1A	2016	2019	2022	2025	2028
2A	2017	2020	2023	2026	2029
3A	2018	2021	2024	2027	2030
4A	2016	2019	2022	2025	2028
5A	2017	2020	2023	2026	2029
<u>6A</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2030</u>
AIAAA	2017	2020	2023	2026	2029
ASA	2018	2021	2024	2027	2030
ASBA	2016	2019	2022	2025	2028
AdvancED	Yearly Appointment				

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO AIA CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS – ARTICLE 10

On a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried the board **approved** the below amendment to be placed on the March 4th Legislative Council Agenda.

Rationale: To clarify with the membership the procedures for sanctioned events.

- 10.1 SANCTIONED EVENTS** - 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.
- 10.2 Dual Competition** – AIA member schools may participate in dual competition (including multi-dual meets) with any member or associate member, out-of-state or Canadian school in good standing without AIA sanctioning. It is the school’s responsibility to verify that the opponent is a member in good standing with their State Association.
- ~~10.2 For all invitational tournaments hosted by AIA member schools, the host school must provide notice to the AIA prior to the season of sport of the tournament, through the AIA school login page. For assignment of officials see 18.3.5.3.2.~~
- 10.3 INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT COMPETITIONS**
- 10.3.1** For all invitational tournaments hosted by AIA member schools, the host school must provide notice to the AIA prior to the season of sport of the tournament, through the AIA school login sanctioning process. For assignment of officials see 18.3.5.3.2
- 10.3.2 Intrastate Invitational Tournaments** – AIA member schools may participate in multiple school competition with any member, associate member schools, utilizing the AIA school login sanctioning process. A tournament bracket shall be submitted prior to approval.
- 10.3.3 Interstate Invitational Tournaments (Bordering States)** –AIA member schools may participate in multiple school competitions with any bordering state school (CA, NV, CO, UT, NM) which is a member or associate member in good standing or approved by its respective association, utilizing the AIA school login sanctioning process. A tournament bracket shall be submitted prior to approval.
- 10.3.4 Interstate Invitational Tournaments (1 or more Non-Bordering States)**– If one or more of the competition schools is located in a state which does not border Arizona, the NFHS sanction process shall be utilized. A tournament bracket shall be submitted prior to approval.
- *NOTE: If attending an out-of-state Invitational Tournament, the school is responsible for verifying that all schools in the tournament are members in good standing with their state associations.
- ~~10.2.1 Interstate Invitational Tournaments
In order to promote and assist with compliance with the above noted limitations on sanctioned events (10.1), schools hosting or participating in invitational tournaments with out of state or Canadian high schools must utilize the National Federation of State High Schools (NFHS) sanctioning process (<http://www.nfhs.org/sanctioning/>).~~

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS

DEER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Reported Violation:

Wrestler was allowed to practice for 10 days and wrestle in a match without having been cleared by the athletic office. Wrestler was added to clearance computer program in error by student manager, when the procedure was for the manager to check names against hard copy clearances from athletic office. Coach believed boy had played football and was athletically-cleared.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests forfeited. Wrestling coach directed to personally check computer entries against hard copy clearance from athletic office and to re-check his information with athletic secretary.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Deer Valley High School **Wrestling Program** on **Warning** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

CORTEZ HIGH SCHOOL

Reported Violation:

The student came to Cortez High School from Apollo High School. At the time of enrollment the student was said to be homeless and living with a friend while his mother still lived in the Apollo enrollment area. He then was cleared by our athletic department by mistake, even though he admitted in his paperwork that he had played basketball at his previous school. No custody change took place.

School's Corrective Action:

Contests Forfeited. All transferring athletes will meet with the AD before being cleared. The AD will also have an in-service for all coaches and the athletic secretary on the steps to take when a new athlete comes to our school.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Cortez High School **Activities Program** on **Advisement** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont.**POSTON BUTTE HIGH SCHOOL****Reported Violation:**

With five seconds left in the boys varsity soccer match, a Florence High athlete pushed a Poston Butte athlete from behind to the ground and stood over him in an aggressive manor. A Poston Butte athlete stepped in-between to shield his team mate. The Florence High athlete pushed and swung at the Poston Butte athlete. The players grappled each other to the ground and were pulled apart. Four players from the Poston Butte sideline left the bench (one made it to the scuffle and helped break it up, the others never made it to the scuffle' it was over before they could). The administration, coaches and security rushed to the field and stopped the incident from getting out of hand. A student from Florence High School left the visitor stands and ran on the field. He assaulted one of the Poston Butte High School athletes that were on the field of play. That student will face charges and trespassed.

All the players identified from Poston Butte as being involved in the scuffle and leaving the bench are being disciplined/suspended by administration, as well as being held out of their next athletic contest(s). That will be the first game(s) when we return from Winter break. The coaches will also face athletic consequences.

School's Corrective Action:

Conduct by the coaches and athletes were address by the AD personally the following day (Friday morning). Sideline behavior was addressed and expectations were clearly explained.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Poston Butte High School **Boys' Soccer Program** on **Advisement** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

ESTRELLA FOOTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL**Reported Violation:**

The varsity assistant coach left the soccer stadium after being ejected from the game. The coach then stepped back inside the gate to the soccer stadium which violated Article 16.3.1. The coach challenged the authority of the officials and also the site administrator which his behavior in not following the proper ejection protocol. He was also aggressive in his demeanor and used profanity during the course of events leading up to and after the ejection.

School's Corrective Action:

The coach has been suspended from coaching in the next two games and is also suspended from coach practice for the next three practices. The sportsmanship rule will be reviewed with all coaches and will also be reviewed at our coaches meeting at the beginning of each school year.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Estrella Foothills High School **Boys' Soccer Program** on **Advisement** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont.

MOHAVE HIGH SCHOOL

Reported Violation:

Player pushed an official during the game. Student was ejected from game.

School's Corrective Action:

Met with the players and the coaches and reviewed good sportsmanship expectations and behaviors.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Mohave High School **Boys' Soccer Program** on **Probation** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

IRONWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Reported Violation:

Our Ironwood varsity head soccer coach believed the players on his team were in an unsafe situation, as they were playing the game down 9 players to 11. He already had five injured players. Therefore, he ended the game. He had his team shake hands with members of the other team and stayed to acknowledge/congratulate them on their winning of the Goldwater Bulldog Tournament.

School's Corrective Action:

Head coach was given a "letter of reprimand" and suspended for two games. He was also in-serviced by the Athletic Director on the bylaws. All other coaches will be in-services on it. Ironwood remains committed to being a good citizen of the AIA and the athletic community.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Ironwood High School **Boys' Soccer Program** on **Warning** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL

Reported Violation:

Liberty's cheer stunt team needs to withdraw from the stunt portion due to injury at the 12/12 competition. On Saturday 12/5, a member of the five person team suffered an injury and will not be able to compete.

School's Corrective Action:

Coaches must now have a substitute in place should any injuries occur in the future.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Liberty High School **Spiritline Program** on **Advisement** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont.**RANCHO SOLANO PREPARTORY SCHOOL****Reported Violation:**

Site administrators and security were station throughout the gym during the game. As instructed by the officials, all non-media personnel were removed from the baseline at the start of the game. The gym was filled to capacity with standing room available in the northwest and northeast corners of the gym. Security was placed at the northeast corner of the gym due to the particular group of fans in that area to contain any potential issues. Security remained in that area of the gym throughout the game until an issue with the Shadow Mountain student section required his assistance. There was no additional gathering of spectators on the baseline throughout the game as reported by the officials.

Due to the intense nature of the game, as well as an issue concerning students from Shadow Mountain, security and site administrators were directly behind the scorer's table and benches during the events reported by the officials. Immediately following the game, I instructed security and other site administrators to ensure both teams made it to the locker room safely without incident. The officials left the court through the northeast doors as did Findlay Prep, security and the site administrators, however, security did not escort the officials to their holding area allowing Coach Bibby and several fans access to the officials area. Upon hearing that Coach Bibby and others had approached the official's room, I went to remove the men in questions, who at that point were two of the Shadow Mountain fans. Following this, we stationed our security personnel at the entrance to the hallway leading to the official's room as well as called the police to escort the officials to their cars following the game.

School's Corrective Action:

Rancho Solano Prep will increase security presence at each night of future Desert Challenge events. This will include up to 4 uniformed police officers to ensure the safety of all teams, the officials, as well as the spectators. Additional security will be included on nights with anticipated capacity crowds. One police officer as well as a site administrator will be assigned to the officials to ensure they are safely escorted to their room and all rooms containing the officials and their belongings are locked. We will require officials to utilize the provided locker room, rather than the hospitality room, following games until both teams are in their respective locker rooms.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Rancho Solano Preparatory School **Activities Program** on **Warning** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont.

SHADOW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL (2 Violations)

Reported Violation:

Coach went in to officials’ room to discuss the officiating of the game. // Coach sat on Varsity bench at a tournament game held at Chaparral. There was an oversight that he could not be at any games until the JV resumed. Coach was ejected from a game on 12/17/15.

School’s Corrective Action:

Coach has written a letter of apology to the officials and has been educated on proper etiquette following a game. // The District AD will be with schools teams to make sure this does not happen in the future.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Shadow Mountain High School **Boys’ Basketball Program** on **Warning** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17

ALHAMBRA HIGH SCHOOL (2 Violations)

Reported Violation:

The student was allowed to compete in 6 soccer games and one tournament this season. He was ineligible for competition due to not meeting the age limit requirement.

School’s Corrective Action:

Contests Forfeited. Review of student athletic registration forms and school enrollment records to ensure appropriate age prior to clearance for sports.

Executive Board Action:

Executive Board, in accordance with Article 16, Section 16.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Alhambra High School **Activities Program** on **Advisement** for one year 1/19/16-1/19/17 and **did not rescind** the forfeitures.

HARDSHIP APPEALS

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

Valley Vista Brad Larremore – Athletic Director, Rachel Matakas, Basketball Coach, Mother, Brother & Student
Millennium – Rebecca Tibbetts – Athletic Director

School/Appeal **Granted/Denied**

Valley Vista Granted

EXECUTIVE BOARD INFORMATION

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

- CSJET Letter
- Tim Berrier – 2015 NFHS Coaches Association National Coach of the Year

Sister Lynn Winsor also recognized Dave Can Sickle who was the NFHS Girls Cross Country Coach of the Year as well as Laurie Martin the NFHS Girls Tennis Coach of the Year.

FUTURE DATES

January 25-26, 2016	Hardship Appeals (Spring)
February 17, 2016	Executive Board Meeting
March 4, 2016	Legislative Council Meeting
March 21, 2016	Executive Board Meeting

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 Wednesday, February 17, 2016. The meeting will be held at the AIA office located at 7007 North 18th Street in Phoenix, Arizona at 8:30 a.m.

Proposed items for the next Executive Board agenda must be received in the AIA office by Thursday, February 4, 2016.

There being no further business, and on a motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Slemmer, Ed.D.
Executive Director