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 Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at the AIA office located at 7007 North 18th Street in Phoenix, Arizona.

President Jacob Holiday called the meeting to order at 8:31 am

**Members in Attendance:**
- Mark Goodman, 1A Conference (St. David Unified School District)
- Mark Showers, 2A Conference (Camp Verde High School)
- Jacob Holiday, 3A Conference (Monument Valley High School)
- Jeannine Brandel, 4A Conference (Flagstaff High School)
- Mark Cisterna, 5A Conference (Notre Dame Preparatory)
- Herman House, 6A Conference (Tucson Unified School District)
- Michael Fowler, Ed.D, CMAA, Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (Higley Unified School District)
- Camille Casteel, Ed.D, Arizona School Administrators (Chandler Unified School District)
- David Hines, AIA Executive Director

**Members Absent:**
- Travis Udall, AdvancED (Round Valley Unified Schools)
- Mike DeLaO, Arizona School Boards Association (Safford Unified School District)

**AIA Staff Present:**
- Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel
- Joe Paddock, Assistant Executive Director
- Gary Whelchel, State Commissioner of Officials
- Denise Doser, Director of Finance
- Brian Bolitho, Director of Business Development
- Dean Visser, Tournament Coordinator
- Maria Ferrell, Accounting Assistant
- Brian Gessner, Officials Department

**Guests:**
- Jose Garcia, AzPreps365
- Duane Ediger, 2A Conference (Scottsdale Preparatory Academy)

**LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

On a motion duly made, seconded and carried, President Holiday, 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:

- 8:31 a.m. – 8:44 a.m.
- 10:09 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The minutes from the August 21, 2017 meeting and the August 29, 2017 Hardship Appeals 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**
- Patrick Nelson  Amphitheater PS  Retired
- Mike Brown  Pinnacle  31 years
- James Rattay  Cesar Chavez  32 years
- Mark MacGowan  Paradise Valley  27 years
- Gary S. Lee  Cesar Chavez  26 years
- Rick Glider  Canyon del Oro  Retired
- Tracy Hernandez  Official  25 years

**Conference/Region Meeting Agendas and Minutes**
- 2A Conference Meeting
- 4A Conference Meeting

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

- Financial Report for August 2017

MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS
None.

CANCELLATION REQUESTS – CONTEST 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:

- Anthem Prep  VAR Boys/Girls Golf Program
- BASIS Flagstaff  JV Girls Volleyball Program
- Desert Vista  FR Football B Program
- Green Fields  JV Girls Volleyball Program
- Joy Christian  VAR Boys Golf Program
- Miami  VAR Boys Soccer Program
CANCELATION REQUESTS – CONTEST AND/OR PROGRAMS (cont)

- Odyssey Institute: FR Girls Volleyball Program
- Payson: JV Boys Soccer Program
- Shadow Mountain: JV Football Program
- Tohono O’odham: JV Boys Basketball Program
- Tohono O’odham: JV Girls Basketball Program
- Mohave Accelerated: VAR Football Contest w/ Benson & Kingman Academy
- Payson: JV Boys Soccer Contest w/ Camp Verde (Aug 29, Sep 12th)
- Cactus: JV Football Contest w/ Cactus Shadows, Marcos de Niza, Higley, Sunrise Mountain
- Leading Edge Academy: VAR Girls Soccer Contest w/ Holbrook
- Desert View: JV Football Contest w/ Maricopa
- Perry: VAR Boys Golf Contest w/ Mesa, Mountain View, Horizon
- Rough Rock: JV Girls Volleyball Contest w/ Red Mesa
- Santa Rita: VAR Football Contest w/ Florence
- Red Mesa: JV Football Contest w/Shiprock NM
- Immaculate Heart: Swim/Dive Boys/Girls Program

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

David Hines reported that the Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (AIAAA) Conference was a record year in attendance. Two hundred seventeen athletic directors, including fifty two new athletic directors attended. The AIA Question and Answer session on Monday night was a success. Mr. Hines would like to expand this session during conference break-outs, to include AIA Staff specific to sport.

Mr. Hines presented information regarding reclassification timeline. October 1, 2017, enrollment numbers due. Conference Placement meetings will follow and initial placement blocks will be presented at the October Executive Board Meeting. Mr. Hines emphasized that all individual sports schedules must be completed first, then all other sports follow.

Assistant Executive Director, Joe Paddock, informed the Executive Board of Voluntary Bylaw Workshops available at three locations in October (Lake Havasu, Amphitheater and Bradshaw Mountain).

American Leadership Academy – Ironwood campus in Queen Creek has requested AIA membership. Mr. Hines will visit the campus and welcome Executive Board members to join him at the site visit.

RESPONSE TO END OF GAME UNDERSTANDING / OFFICIALS

Gary Whelchel, State Commissioner of Officials, responded to the Executive Board regarding the officials’ role with End of Game. Mr. Whelchel clarified that the officials manage games by the rules books and do not interpret bylaws.
**UNIFIED LANGUAGE FOR SOCCER**

Executive Director, David Hines, recommended an editorial addition to the bylaws for Unified Soccer. Mr. Hines also recommended adding an Article under Policies and Procedures / Activities specific to Unified for Legislative Council.

**STUDENT ELIGIBILITY APPEAL – PAPER REVIEW**

**REQUEST FOR HARDSHIP ELIGIBILITY – 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 Guardian request:

- Ironwood High School
- Ironwood High School
- Mountain View Marana High School
- Perry High School
- Thunderbird High School

**STUDENT ELIGIBILITY APPEAL – PAPER REVIEW**

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

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, approved the following maximum participation rule request:

- NFL-Yet College Preparatory Academy – one additional semester

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 following maximum participation rule request:

- South Mountain High School

**ADDITIONAL GAME REQUESTS**

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

- Benson – an additional JV and VAR Girls basketball game to help fill Valley Union’s schedule.
- St. Mary’s – an additional VAR Boys Basketball game to help fill Perry’s schedule.

**REQUEST – ASH FORK / SELIGMAN – ADD BOYS/GIRLS BASKETBALL TO THE CO-OP**

Seligman High School wishes to include Boys and Girls Basketball with the other sports that the AIA Executive Board approved on May 15, 2017, for them to join with Ash Fork High School.

On a motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Executive Board approved the above request.
REQUEST – PROPOSAL – 2A CONFERENCE – BASKETBALL

The 2A Conference proposed a 24 team State Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament.

Duane Ediger, Scottsdale Preparatory Academy, 2A Conference, presented to the Executive Board a proposal for a 24 team State Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament.

On a motion made, and seconded, the Executive Board denied the above request from the 2A Conference.

REQUEST – TO EXCEED IN PERMISSIBLE TOURNAMENTS

Peoria Unified District is requesting permission from the Executive Board to exceed in permissible tournaments to support participation in fall District Tournaments. The schools involved are:

- Cactus High School
- Centennial High School
- Ironwood High School
- Liberty High School
- Peoria High School
- Raymond Kellis High School
- Sunrise Mountain High School

Tournament Dates:

- Badminton – October 10
- Swim – October 27
- Dive – October 27
- Cross Country – October 19
- Girls Volleyball – October 6
- Girls Golf – September 29
- Boys Golf – October 13

On a motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Executive Board approved the above request.

SCHOOL VIOLATIONS

CENTENNIAL High School – Peoria Unified School District
Pre-Competition Practice: Article 24. Football, Section 3.1

Reported Violation:
Centennial High School and Chandler High School participated in a scrimmage on the 14th day of permissible practice for the football season. We had scheduled this scrimmage on 4/11/17 prior to the emergency legislation being passed and referees were assigned and worked the scrimmage. Unfortunately, neither school, nor AIA, caught this scheduling issue and both teams ended up scrimmaging. Both schools were not trying to circumvent the rule rather just unaware of update.
**SCHOOL VIOLATIONS (cont)**

**Schools Corrective Action:**
Centennial will continue to in service all football coaches on bylaws and appropriate dates. AD will make sure all bylaws, in regards to future scrimmages, that number of practices are met. We would also like to request some help for the AIA in blacking out officials and scheduling prior to.

**Executive Board Action:**
Executive Board, in accordance with Article 24, Football, Section 3.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Centennial Football Program on Advisement for one year 9/13/17-9/13/18.

**CHANDLER HIGH SCHOOL – Chandler Unified School District**
*Pre-Competition Practice: Article 24, Football, Section 3.1*

**Reported Violation:**
Chandler High School and Centennial High School participated in a scrimmage on the 14th day of permissible practice for football season. We had scheduled this scrimmage on 4/11/17 prior to the emergency legislation being passed and referees were assigned and worked the scrimmage. Unfortunately, neither school, nor AIA, caught this scheduling issue and both teams ended up scrimmaging. Had we known we would have gladly moved the scrimmages back to meet the bylaw.

**Schools Corrective Action:**
We will make sure to check all bylaws with scrimmages in the future for all sports to ensure that the correct number of practices are met. It would also be helpful to have blackout dates where scrimmages cannot be scheduled so as schools we are aware as well.

**Executive Board Action:**
Executive Board, in accordance with Article 24, Football, Section 3.1 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Chandler High School Football Program on Advisement for one year 9/13/17-9/13/18.

**MESQUITE HIGH SCHOOL – Gilbert Public Schools**
*Rule: Article 15, Student Eligibility, Section 15.3.1.1*

**Reported Violation:**
Home Schooled students live in Chandler School District. Students lives just across the street out of Mesquite boundary. No intention to break the rule by either Mesquite High School or the parents – lack of due diligence was cause for violation. Parents assumed they were in Mesquite boundary based on how close they lived. Mesquite did not double check the address. Sister and brother did swim and brother did track.

**Schools Corrective Action:**
We are working with Register My Athlete to red flag all home school student athletes.

**Executive Board Action:**
Executive Board, in accordance with Article 14, Section 14.2 Practice of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Mesquite Swim and Track Programs on Advisement for one year 9/13/17-9/13/18.
SCHOOL VIOLATIONS (cont)

**BETTY FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL** — Phoenix Union High School District

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

**Reported Violation:**
On July 31st 2017 the Freshman Football Program began practice with (12) student – athletes who were not properly cleared through the Athletic Office. The Athletic Trainer, informed the Freshman HC that only student athletes that are cleared can practice. The Freshman HC stopped the practice and removed the non-cleared athletes.

**Schools Corrective Action:**
The Coach responsible for the violation has received a letter and in-service regarding relevant bylaws. The Athletic Department at Betty Fairfax HS will continue to utilize the Register My Athlete (RMA) program for Athletic Clearance. The Athletic Department will require ALL Programs to designate a Freshman, Junior Varsity, Varsity coach to report to the Athletic Office prior to practice to receive an updated clearance list. The Athletic Trainer and Athletic Director will continue walkthroughs at practice to verify that only cleared athletes are participating. The Coaching staff will receive an additional in-service on AIA bylaw Article 15 Student Eligibility. The Coaching staff will be required to complete a test on AIA bylaw Article 15 Student Eligibility and their Sport Specific Article.

**Executive Board Action:**
Executive Board, in accordance with Article 15, Section 15.14 of the AIA Bylaws, placed the Betty Fairfax Football Program on **Warning** for one year 9/13/17-9/13/18.

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

- **Corona del Sol**
  - Cory Nenaber - Athletic Director, Principal, Parent
  - **Gilbert** — Steve McDowell – District 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, **granted / denied** the following hardship eligibility requests:

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

Respectfully submitted,

David Hines
Executive Director