



**MINUTES**  
**AIA OFFICIALS TASK FORCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 8, 2013**

**Members in Attendance:**

Doug Wilson, Ed.D., Chair - Marana Unified School District  
Ken VanWinkle - Heber-Overgaard Unified  
Dan O'Brien – Scottsdale Unified School District  
Debra Poulson, Mountain Ridge  
Matt Kuffel – Shadow Ridge

**Members Absent:**

Don Cerimeli, AIA Official  
Don Logan, AIA Official  
Donna Antonio, San Carlos  
Ernie Molina, Tolleson  
Faith Klosgtreich, Yuma  
Jeanie Kosower, AIA

**AIA Staff Present:**

Chuck Schmidt  
Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel  
Denise Doser  
Gary Whelchel  
David Hines  
Tayler Levi  
Lorie Tranter

The first meeting of the AIA Officials Task Force Committee was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

Dr. Wilson thanked everyone for their time and attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Schmidt explained the committee's focus - how the AIA operates with the officials

Topics of discussion:

- Arizona is the only state association in the country that assigns officials to all team sports
- Over 165,000 game assignments last year
- Officials' concerns – game fees – competition from charter schools & Pop Warner, registration fee increases, cost of background checks and finger print clearance
- Article 18 and Officials Handbook – making sure these documents provide appropriate structure for the business of officials...
- Fees – market analysis (within Arizona)
- Mileage – current state and federal reimbursement amounts
- RefPay – operation and cost savings to membership

After a great deal of discussion, the committee determined the following action items for the next meeting:

- Survey all AIA officials – questions TBD
- Game fee increase – show what school's increase would look like (example - \$5 increase)
- Data - games/percentage of individual official's assignments
- Data – retention of officials
- Data – RefPay – what schools are currently paying
- Discussion – Article 18 - Officials

Due to schedule conflicts, the previously scheduled November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting was changed to **Thursday**, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

Reminder to committee members – if you cannot attend the meetings in person, the AIA has the capability for you to join the meeting via webcam using “Go To Meeting” – future meetings:

- Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

Meeting adjourned -

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Wilson, Ed.D., Chair  
Marana Unified School District