



**MINUTES
AIA OFFICIALS TASK FORCE COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 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 (via teleconference)
Matt Kuffel – Shadow Ridge
Don Logan, AIA Official
Faith Klosgtreich, Yuma (via teleconference)
Jeanie Kosower, AIA

Members Absent:

Don Cerimeli, AIA Official
Donna Antonio, San Carlos
Ernie Molina, Tolleson

AIA Staff Present:

Chuck Schmidt
Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel
Denise Doser
Gary Whelchel
Michele Staples
Lorie Tranter

The second meeting of the AIA Officials Task Force Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Dr. Wilson.

Points of Discussion:

- Survey all AIA officials – determined not necessary at this time.
- Examples of game fee increase
- Data - games/percentage of individual official's assignments
- Data – retention of officials
- Data – RefPay – what schools are currently paying
- Discussion – Article 18 - Officials

Discussion was held regarding steps needed to improve the operational business of the AIA as related to officials. The committee reviewed data submitted by Mr. Whelchel and Ms. Doser.

The committee discussed whether the AIA Officials should continue to be under the umbrella of the AIA or if schools should have an open market for obtaining their own officials. Game fees were discussed at length as well as cost comparisons – AIA/Charter Schools/Parks & Rec., etc. It was indicated that most officials will officiate where they can earn the most money sometimes working less time and receiving more money with an outside agency. Recruitment of new officials was also discussed.

Ref Pay - Mr. Kuffel and Ms. Poulson expressed their satisfaction with the efficiency and consistency of the ref pay system, saving them valuable time, money, etc. Mr. Logan also believes that most officials are also satisfied with the ref pay system used for getting paid for their services.

Article 18 – Officials – was addressed by the committee and concerns were raised regarding policies and procedures contained in Article 18. The committee agreed that Article 18 must be simplified – defining administrative regulations vs. policy – and changes to the bylaw are in order to improve the operational business of the AIA regarding officials.

The committee will submit recommendations/bylaw changes to help inform, promote and engage a process that membership will understand and support.

Next scheduled meeting - Tuesday, December 10th at 9:00 a.m. – AIA office.

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

Meeting adjourned – 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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