

## AIA Basketball Sports Advisory Committee & AZ Basketball Coaches Mtg.

April 27, 2022 - 10:00 am

### Agenda –

### Minutes

#### Members –

1A George Diehl – Bagdad.

2A Shane Lewis – Phx Country Day

3A Greg Haagsma - Valley Christian; James Roe, Tuba City.

4A Missy Townsend (Chair) - Prescott.

5A Jordan Augustine – Ironwood; Remigio Gordillo – Millennium.

6A Steve McDowell, Gilbert Dist.

AIA Staff – David Hines, Joe Paddock, Brian Gessner, Tyler Cerimeli,  
Dan Nero

Guests – AZ HS Basketball Coaches

#### 1. Agenda – From Mr. Hines:

- Mr. Hines – introductions around the room. Mr. Hines thanked all for attending.
- State of AZ HS Basketball –  
Mr. Hines began discussion asking for input.

#### Among the comments:

- Adding 35 second clock and Open Division are positives to boost our product, and keep talent from going to club teams.
- Talent levels are being watered down by students going to clubs, and an Open Division could increase that situation.
- Goal of Open?? Different for Girls and Boys.
- College coaches want kids from solid HS programs and experiences, but need to look at all talent available.

- HS transfers reduce community support.
- AIA has best coaches, resources and programs. 3 tournaments would provide more opportunity for kids and coaches to see kids grow in game situations.

➤ New Wilson Basketball – Rachel M.

No changes to the AIA State Championship Basketball for 2022-23. AIA Business Staff will make sure the AIA is aware of any proposed Wilson changes to State Tournament equipment well in advance, so the membership can be alerted going forward.

➤ Competitive teams not playing each other – Rachel M.

Continued effort of Conference and Region Chairs to develop balanced and competitive schedules.

➤ Development of Regions – Rachel M.

Again, Conferences are responsible for building Regions. Region appeals are available through AIA By-laws.

➤ State Tournament Game Times – Greg H.

Mr. Haagsma had a concern re: turnaround game times at back to back dates of State Tournament games. Conferences will let State Tournament Coordinator know of potential issues, and suggest possible game times.

➤ Pre- Championship meetings with Head Coaches, Officials, Tournament Admin.

Very positive feedback. Many thanks to Mr. Gessner who coordinated these meetings at VMC.

➤ Other items: Remigio G. - Status of three invitational tournament option for Basketball?

No Conferences choose to bring this forward to the Executive Board last school year. Greg H. and Remigio mentioned Basketball Coaches need to push their ADs to present this to the Conferences through Regions, so this option can have a chance to pass at the Executive Board.

- Shot clock – It was confirmed by Mr. Hines and Mr. Gessner, that AIA would have Shot Clock in the 2022-23 AIA Basketball season. AIA Exec. Board approved this for 3A through 6A Conferences. 35 seconds would be used for the girls and the boys. Varsity only. It is not required that a 3A-6A school install and use a shot clock during the regular season.

\*\* During the State Tournament, a shot clock will be required. If the host school does not have a shot clock, the Tournament game site will be moved.

- Open Division – Mr. Hines discussed the specifics of the Exec. Board approved Open Division. This will be for 4A, 5A and 6A Conferences, girls and boys. There is no opt out.

Specifics of the Open Division were presented by AIA Basketball Coaches and followed up with AIA Staff:

- Girls and Boys Open will have 32 teams.
- 8 highest ranked schools from 4A through 6A and the next highest ranked schools from the 3 Conferences (total 32 teams).
- Open preliminary Round 1 (#1 vs. #32, etc.) and Round 2 will take place immediately at the end of the regular season. Those schools who lose in Round 1 or Round 2, will be added back into their specific Conference 4A/5A/6A State Tournament, which will be delayed approx. one week to accommodate the schools coming from the first 2 rounds of the Open Division.
- Mr. Hines may present specifics/dates of this model to the Executive Board at the August 15, 2022 meeting.

- Next meeting date: TBD
- Adjourned: Approx. 12:15 pm