



ARIZONA INTERSCHOLASTIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

MINUTES

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY – MARCH 1, 2024

In accordance with Article 4, Section 4.5, Paragraph 4.5.1 of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc. (AIA) Constitution, the regular annual meeting of the AIA Legislative Council (Council) was duly called and held on Friday, March 1, 2024 at the AIA Office, 7007 North 18th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020.

ROLL CALL

1A Conference

Chair – Nate Porter – Patagonia
North – Carl Adams – St. Michael
South – Angela Earnhart – St. Gregory
Copper – Darryl Suber – Mogollon
Central – George Diehl – Bagdad

2A Conference

North – Ricky Greer – Hopi
Metro – Duane Ediger – Scottsdale Prep
South – Nate Agostini – Horizon Honors
West – David Peter – Arizona Lutheran
Central – John Kontak – Glendale Prep

3A Conference

South Central – Shawn Cluff – Florence
South – Tim Bridges – Catalina
North – Megan Moore – Page
North Central – David Inness – Northwest Christian
South Central – Shawn Cluff – Florence

Arizona School Board Association

3A – Mike DeLaO – Safford USD
5A – Wendy Effing – Flowing Wells USD

AIA Staff:

David Hines – Executive Director
Jim Dean – Associate Executive Director
Erin Coy – Assistant Executive Director
Tayler Coady – Executive Assistant
Robyn Bingham – Systems Analyst
Jeanie Kosower – Asst. Commissioner of Officials
Naomi Smith – Director of Special Projects
Brian Gessner – Commissioner of Officials
Tyler Cerimeli – Director of Athletics & Officials
Dean Visser – Director of Athletics & Activities

Executive Board:

Toni Corona
Jen Burks
Nathan Slater
Tierra Yazzie
Steve Johnson
Tim Carter

4A Conference

Skyline – Jeff Feldman – Greenway
East Sky – Buddy Allen – ALA District
Grand Canyon – Jeannine Brandel – Flagstaff
Kino – Phil Gruensfelder – Salpointe Catholic
Desert Sky – Lenica Ruiz – Marcos de Niza
Gila – Whitney Holland – Mica Mountain
West Valley – Stacy Spencer – Deer Valley

5A Conference

Central Valley – Julie Patton – Glendale
Desert West – Remigio Gordillo – Millennium
Metro – Kevin Belcher – Central
Northwest Valley – Dena Anderson – Horizon
Northwest – Thom Luedemann – Willow Canyon
Southern – Eric Sowle – Nogales
Sonoran – Tim Nichols - Cienega

6A Conference

Central – Brandon Larson – Highland
Desert SW – Ansel Traynor – Gila Ridge
Desert Valley – Tim Matteson – Sunnyslope
East Valley – Tommy Eubanks – Mesa Public Schools
Metro – Zack Munoz – Phoenix Union District
Premier – Jim Culver – Chandler
West Valley – Derek Fahleson – Tolleson District

Guests:

Jim Gowdy
Steve McDowell
Corey Newland
David Huffine
Stephen Young
Mark Ernster

Consultant/Parliamentarian:

Mark Mignella, Legal Counsel

Members Absent:

Metro – Greg Haagsma – Valley Christian
East – Scott Hoffmeyer – Show Low
West – Jeff Welsing – Yuma Catholic
Valley – Donna Antonio – San Carlos
East – Eric Tatham – Benson
West – Joe Page – North Phoenix Prep
1A – Carolyn Freeman – Bicentennial Union
2A – Arnold Goodluck – Sanders Unified
4A – Joseph Mora – Ganado USD
6A – Ann Ordway – Deer Valley Unified

After completion of roll call, Mr. Mignella introduced all others present and outlined procedures to be observed during the meeting. He reminded the Council Members that Article 5, Section 2 of the AIA Constitution stipulates that a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the total Council membership (32 members) is required to amend the AIA Constitution and that a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a duly called meeting is required to amend the AIA Bylaws. Mr. Mignella continued by stating that Article 4, Section 5 of the AIA Constitution stipulates that a quorum must be present at a meeting for the transaction of business, a quorum being two-thirds (2/3) of the total membership. He concluded that a quorum was present since roll call reflected that 36 of the 48 Council Members were present (32 members required for quorum). It was also determined, based upon the 36 members present, that a vote of 24 would be required for adoption of amendments to the AIA Bylaws. Mr. Mignella then reminded the Council that in accordance with Article 4, Section 5, Paragraph 5 of the AIA Constitution, proxy votes could not be accepted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the March 3, 2023 meeting were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda for the March 1, 2024 meeting were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBER HIGH SCHOOLS

2A CONFERENCE – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaw:

Article 8. Classification of Member High School. Section 1. Classification and Alignment

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

This addition will help to address the issue we have recently seen with the football reclassification of small schools. During the 2021 and 2022 reclassifications, we experienced small schools (enrollments below 1000 students) that were moved up a conference that didn't experience success in the new conference. Until those years, every school that had been moved up experienced success with the exception of one. We have also seen a trend within football reclassification in slowing down the amount of movement as evidenced by the use of the 2.0 standard deviation instead of 1.5. In addressing both of these trends, the 2A Conference is proposing the addition of a small school exception that uses 5 years of data instead of 3. The proposed weighted breakdown per year is: Y1-30%, Y2-25%, Y3-20%, Y4-15%, Y5-10%. This will prevent a small school being moved up solely on the success of one strong class. The belief is that small schools with sustained success of the 2.0 standard deviation over a 5-year period.

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8.1.6.8 Football Placement – Schools will first be placed in the conference in which the school competed during the previous season. With the exception of the 1A Conference, using the average weighted (over 3 years **for schools placed in the 4A/5A/6A Conferences and 5 years for schools placed in the 2A/3A Conferences**) AIA Rankings powered by Maxpreps, schools with a standard deviation of plus 2 or more move up 1 conference, schools with a standard deviation of plus 1, 0 or minus 1 do not move, schools with a standard deviation of -2 or below move down 1 conference.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RICKY GREER AND SECONDED BY SHAWN LYTLE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-29; No-7)

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STUDENT ELIGIBILITY RULES

5A CONFERENCE – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaw:
Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules. Section 3. Enrollment Rule

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:
Clarifies the definition of a home school student.

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15.3 ENROLLMENT RULE

15.3.1.1 EXCEPTION: A home school student may be eligible if said student is in compliance with A.R.S. §15-802.01. "Home school" is defined by where instruction is conducted primarily by the parent, guardian or other person who has custody of the child provided in the child's home. Parents must file an affidavit of intent with the county school superintendent and provide an affidavit to the school.

MOTION WAS MADE BY REMIGIO GORDILLO AND SECONDED BY JULIE PATTON TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BRANDON LARSON AND SECONDED BY JULIE PATTON TO AMEND MAIN MOTION WITH THE SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE... EXCEPTION: A home school student may be eligible if said student is in compliance with A.R.S. §15-802.01 and provides a member school a copy of either the affidavit of intent pursuant to A.R.S. §802(B)(2) or a signed contract to participate in an Arizona empowerment scholarship account pursuant to section A.R.S. §15-2402.

MOTION WAS MADE BY REMIGIO GORDILLO AND SECONDED BY JULIE PATTON TO TABLE MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED.

MOTION TO TABLE – PASSED
(Votes Cast: Yes-37; No-0)

Member arrived; 37 total members present.

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STUDENT ELIGIBILITY RULES**6A / 5A CONFERENCE – PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

Amend AIA Bylaw:

Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 11. Amateur Rule

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

This amendment will create distinct guidelines pertaining to student Name, Image, and Likeness agreements.

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(Add/Remove Text)**15.11 AMATEUR RULE**

- 15.11.1 Each student, in order to represent his/her school in any AIA sanctioned contest, shall be and shall remain an amateur.
- 15.11.1.1 Name Image and Likeness (NIL): **A student-athlete may benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness (NIL) provided the NIL is not connected to his/her AIA sanctioned high school team or activity program. NIL activities consistent with the guidelines in AIA bylaw 15.11.1.2 will not result in loss of amateur status. NIL activities may not be utilized to violate AIA bylaw 15.12 (Recruitment Rule).** A student ~~that~~ is in violation of this bylaw ~~and~~ shall immediately lose eligibility if that student, his/her family member, or anyone else on behalf of that student, enters into an agreement with an individual, corporate entity, partnership, association, or any other party or organization **which violates the guidelines in AIA bylaw 15.11.1.2.** ~~for use of that student's NIL which in any way relates to the student's connection to his/her high school team or activity program, or to any other non-school athletic team or activity program with which the student is connected. (Emergency Legislation—Ex. Brd 10/18/2021)~~
- 15.11.1.2 **NIL Guidelines:** A student-athlete may benefit from the use of their name, image, and likeness (NIL) provided:
- 15.11.1.2.1 The compensation is not contingent on athletic performance or achievement.
- 15.11.1.2.2 The compensation is not an incentive to enroll in or remain enrolled at a specific school.
- 15.11.1.2.3 The compensation is not provided by the school, a booster club, a collective, or any person/entity acting as an agent on behalf of the school or athletic program.
- 15.11.1.2.4 Intellectual property - No "marks" may be used including, but not limited to, school or district name, logo, uniforms, mascots, or any AIA logo.
- 15.11.1.2.5 No school or district apparel or equipment shall be worn or used that includes school or district name, logo, uniforms, mascots, or any AIA logo.
- 15.11.1.2.6 No AIA member school facility may be used for the purpose of NIL activities.
- 15.11.1.2.7 No activities in conflict with a member school's district policy may be endorsed. (Examples include, but are not limited to, tobacco products, alcohol products and controlled substances.)
- 15.11.1.2.8 Within five (5) school days of entering into any NIL contract/agreement, a student, or the student's parents/guardians, must notify the school's Athletic Director of the agreement.
- 15.11.1.2.9 Students and their families should seek professional guidance regarding collegiate financial aid, NCAA clearinghouse, legal and/or tax implications, among other concerns.

MOTION WAS MADE BY REMIGIO GORDILLO AND SECONDED BY JIM CLUVER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-37; No-0)

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OFFICIALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaw:

Article 18. Officials, Section 3. Fees / Schools – Officials Responsibility

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To create an equitable and balanced fee structure that applies across all sports, contests, and positions. In basketball, our better officials have been scheduled to work 3-person games at a discounted rate. The request is to have the same fee for all varsity basketball contests.

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18.3 FEES / SCHOOL – OFFICIALS RESPONSIBILITY

18.3.2 Regular season contest and tournament fees shall be paid as set forth in this Article.

**FEE SCHEDULE FOR OFFICIALS
REGULAR SEASON**

| | <u>VARSIITY</u> | <u>JV & FROSH</u> | <u>SCRIMMAGE FEE</u> |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Baseball | \$ 73 | \$ 50 | 50 |
| Basketball (2-person) | 80 | 50 | 50 |
| Basketball (3 person) | 65 | | |
| Beach Volleyball | 75 | 50 | 50 |
| Football | 85 | 50 | 50 |
| Flag Football | 60 | 50 | 50 |
| Soccer | 70 | 50 | 50 |
| Softball | 68 | 50 | 50 |
| Swimming (Starter 4A&5A) | 50 | -- | |
| Swimming (Referee 4A&5A) | 50 | -- | |
| Track (Starter) | 50 | 45 | |
| Track (Referee) | 50 | 45 | |
| Track (Clerk) | 50 | 45 | |
| Volleyball | 60 | 40 | 50 |
| Wrestling | 63 | 45 | |

MOTION WAS MADE BY BRANDSON LARSON AND SECONDED BY SHAWN LYTLE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-37; No-0)

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OFFICIALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaw:
Article 18. Officials, Section 3. Fees / Schools – Officials Responsibility

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:
As recommended by the Officials Advisory Committee, a 5% fee increase for all officiated sports and levels beginning July 1, 2024.

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| | <u>VARSIITY</u> | <u>JV & FROSH</u> | <u>SCRIMMAGE FEE</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Baseball | \$ 73 76.75 | \$ 50 52.50 | 50 52.50 |
| Basketball (2 person) | 80 84 | 50 52.50 | 50 52.50 |
| Basketball (3 person) | 65 68.25 | -- | |
| Beach Volleyball | 75 78.75 | 50 52.50 | 50 52.50 |
| Football | 85 89.25 | 50 52.50 | 50 52.50 |
| Flag Football | 60 63 | 50 52.50 | 50 52.50 |
| Soccer | 70 73.50 | 50 52.50 | 50 52.50 |
| Softball | 68 71.50 | 50 52.50 | 50 52.50 |
| Swimming (Starter 4A&5A) | 50 52.50 | -- | |
| Swimming (Referee 4A&5A) | 50 | | |
| Track (Starter) | 50 52.50 | 45 47.25 | |
| Track (Referee) | 50 | 45 | |
| Track (Clerk) | 50 | 45 | |
| Volleyball | 60 63 | 40 42 | 50 52.50 |
| Wrestling | 63 66.25 | 45 47.25 | |

MOTION WAS MADE BY BRANDSON LARSON AND SECONDED BY MEGAN MOORE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-35; No-2)

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OFFICIALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaw:
Article 18. Officials, Section 3. Fees / Schools – Officials Responsibility

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:
To allow for incremental annual officials’ fee increases over time in place of large periodical increases. This process would allow for schools to better budget and account for increases annually. This would encourage officials’ retention knowing there will be a nominal annual fee increase.

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18.3 FEES / SCHOOL – OFFICIALS RESPONSIBILITY

18.3.5 Official's regular season contest and tournament fee rate increases shall be recommended by the AIA Executive Board. Recommendations shall be made at the January Executive Board meeting to be approved by Legislative Council and go into effect July 1 of said year. Newly established rates shall be rounded to the nearest quarter. Rate increases shall not exceed 5% annually.

MOTION WAS MADE BY RICKY GREER AND SECONDED BY BRANDON LARSON TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-34; No-3)

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PENALTIES AND APPEALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaw:
Article 16. Penalties and Appeals, Section 3 Sportsmanship Rule

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

To improve sportsmanship and the overall playing environment for all stakeholders. Create a policy to hold spectators accountable for unsportsmanlike and disruptive behavior. This policy would be supportive of corrective actions taken against spectators who have been ejected from a contest.

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16.3 SPORTSMANSHIP RULE

16.3.4 **Spectator Behavior** – In the event that spectators, parents, or other non-school personnel initiate or use profanity in cheers or cheers having the intent of sounding profane, single out opposing players personally and/or heckle them by directing derogatory or profane statements or chants at them, use racist remarks, direct offensive cheers/chants at opposing cheering sections, or engage in physical conflict or other threatening or aggressive behavior with school personnel, officials, players, coaches, or other spectators, the school(s) involved shall utilize all available law enforcement resources to prosecute such offenders, and shall take all reasonable actions to help ensure that future similar incidents do not occur, such as temporarily or permanently prohibiting the offender(s) from attending future contests.

16.3.4.1 Any adult spectator that has been removed from a contest shall be required to complete the NFHS sportsmanship course and provide a certificate of completion prior to attending future contests. Any subsequent removal of the same spectator shall result in the inability of that spectator to attend contests for the remainder of the season of sport.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SHAWN LYTTLE AND SECONDED BY RICKY GREER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MAIN MOTION AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-33; No-4)

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PENALTIES AND APPEALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Amend AIA Bylaw:

Article 16. Penalties and Appeals, Section 3 Sportsmanship Rule

Rationale for Proposed Amendment:

A ground level effort to improve sportsmanship and the playing environment to encourage and increase the participation of student athletes, coaches, and officials.

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16.3 SPORTSMANSHIP RULE

- 16.3.1 **Ejection from a Contest** - If an AIA contest official determines that a coach or player has acted in an unsportsmanlike manner during either a period or intermission, the coach or player may be ordered to leave the contest.
***NOTE:** When a coach or player is ejected from a contest, his/her member school should complete an electronic ejection report and submit it to the AIA.*
- 16.3.1.1 **Penalties for Ejection** - A coach or player ejected from a contest for any reason shall be subject to the following without appeal:
- 16.3.1.1.1 **First Ejection (non-fighting)** - Ineligible for the next contest at that level of competition and all other contests during that interim at any level.
16.3.1.1.1.1 Any person ejected from a contest shall not participate the remainder of that day.
- 16.3.1.1.2 **Second Ejection (non-fighting)** - Ineligible for the next two contests at that level of competition and all other contests during that interim at any level.
16.3.1.1.2.1 Any person ejected from a contest shall not participate the remainder of that day.
- 16.3.1.1.3 **Third Ejection** - A similar infraction of Article 16, Section 16.3, Paragraph 16.3.1 of the AIA Bylaws by the same player during the same season will result in cessation of the season for the player concerned.
- 16.3.1.1.4 **Fighting Ejection** - Ineligible for the next two or three contests (depending on sport) at that level of competition and all other contests during that interim at any level.
16.3.1.1.4.1 Any player ejected for fighting shall be ineligible for the next two contests in the following sports: badminton, cross country, football, flag football, golf, soccer, swimming, tennis, track, beach volleyball, and wrestling.
16.3.1.1.4.2 Any player ejected for fighting shall be ineligible for the next three contests in the following sports: baseball, basketball, volleyball, and softball.
16.3.1.1.4.3 Any player ejected for fighting must complete an NFHS sportsmanship course and provide a certificate of completion in order to regain eligibility.
16.3.1.1.4.4 Any person ejected from a contest shall not participate the remainder of that day.
- 16.3.1.1.5 When a player is ejected from a contest that has a bearing on participation in a state championship tournament **or a player is ejected for fighting (regular season or post season)**, a responsible administrative officer of that school may appeal that ejection to the State Commissioner of Officials (Commissioner).
16.3.1.1.5.1 For purposes of this rule, a contest defined as one having a bearing on a state championship is as follows:
a) Last regular season contest
b) Regional/Sectional tournament
c) State tournament contest
d) **Only** the advancing team in a-b-c above
16.3.1.1.5.2 The procedure of hearing an appeal will be as follows:
a) Appeal must be filed within 24 hours of the contest.
b) The initial Appeals Report must be submitted in writing by an authorized administrator from the member school to the AIA State Commissioner of Officials using an electronic ejection report.

- c) The State Commissioner will form a committee to review the ejection and any evidence submitted. **The appeals committee will be comprised of AIA Staff, Member School Athletic Directors, and Officials.**
- d) The decision of the appeal committee is final.

MOTION WAS MADE BY WHITNEY HOLLAD AND SECONDED BY SHAWN LYTLER TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BRANDON LARSON AND SECONDED BY REMIGIO GORDILLO TO AMEND THE PROPOSAL. THE AMENDMENT TO 16.3.1.5.2 c – the State Commissioner... **The appeals committee will be comprised of equal numbers of Athletic Directors and officials/AIA Staff, with the added stipulation that AD representatives deciding on an appeal cannot be from the same conference as the one appealing.**

MOTION TO AMEND – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-37; No-0)

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MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-34; No-3)

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PENALTIES AND APPEALS

AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT

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16.3.1.2 Penalties for Ejection - A coach or player ejected from a contest for any reason shall be subject to the following without appeal:

16.3.1.2.1 First Ejection (Player) - Ineligible for the next contest at that level of competition and all other contests during that interim at any level.

16.3.1.2.1.1 Any person ejected from a contest shall not participate the remainder of that day.

16.3.1.2.2 Second Ejection (Player) - Ineligible for the next two contests at that level of competition and all other contests during that interim at any level.

16.3.1.2.2.1 Any person ejected from a contest shall not participate the remainder of that day.

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16.3.1.2.4 Coaching Ejection - Ineligible for the next two contests at that level of competition and all other contests during that interim at any level.

16.3.1.2.4.1 A coach ejected for fighting or flagrant contact with an official shall result in cessation of the season for the coach concerned.

16.3.1.2.4.2 Any coach ejected must complete an NFHS sportsmanship course and submit the certificate of completion to regain eligibility.

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MOTION WAS MADE BY BRANDON LARSON AND SECONDED BY SHAWN LYTLE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BRANDON LARSON AND SECONDED BY RICKY GREER TO AMEND THE PROPOSAL. THE AMENDMENT TO 16.3.1.5.2 c – the State Commissioner... **The appeals committee will be comprised of equal numbers of Athletic Directors and officials/AIA Staff, with the added stipulation that AD representatives deciding on an appeal cannot be from the same conference as the one appealing.**

MOTION TO AMEND – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-37; No-0)

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MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED – PASSED

(Votes Cast: Yes-31; No-6)

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There being no further business, on a motion made, seconded, and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:17am by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

David Hines
Executive Director