



MINUTES
SPECIAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – TELECONFERENCE
September 19, 2025

In accordance with Article 6, Section 3, Paragraph 1 of the Arizona Interscholastic Association, Inc. (AIA) Constitution, a special meeting of the Executive Board was held on Friday, September 19, 2025, via teleconference.

President Missy Townsend called the meeting to order at 8:04 am.

Members in Attendance:

William Duarte, 1A Conference (Superior Jr./Sr. High School)
Tiarra Yazzie, 2A Conference (Hopi High School)
Tim Bridges, 3A Conference (Catalina High School)
William Wright, 4A Conference (Estrella Foothills High School)
Corey Newland, 5A Conference (Paradise Valley School District)
Jennifer Burks, 6A Conference (Perry High School)
Tim Carter, Cognia (Yavapai County School Superintendent, Retired)
Steve Johnson, Arizona School Boards Association (CAVIT)
David Verdugo, Arizona School Administrators (Santa Cruz Valley School District – Rio Rico)
Missy Townsend, Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (Prescott High School)
Jim Dean, Ed.D, AIA Executive Director

AIA Staff Present:

Rosa Leon, Legal Counsel
Toni Corona, Associate Executive Director
Nathan Slater, Associate Executive Director
Tayler Coady, Executive Administrative Assistant

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

On a motion made, seconded and carried the Executive Board **approved** the adoption of the September 19, 2025 agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion duly made, seconded and carried, President Townsend, in accordance with Article 6, Section 3, Paragraph 3, Subparagraph 2 of the AIA Constitution, called for the following Executive Sessions:

- ✓ 8:04 am – 8:48 am

ACTION ITEMS:

AMENDMENT – ARTICLE 15 – STUDENT ELIGIBILITY RULES

15.5 DOMICILE

15.5.2.7 First Time Enrollment from Out of State – Except as stated in 15.15, an out of state student whose parents/legal guardian have changed their domicile to and is attending high school for the first time in Arizona may attend any member high school without the transfer ineligibility period(s) provided under 15.10.1 and 15.10.2 be eligible for interscholastic activities and shall not be considered a transfer.

15.5.2.7.1 If a first time from out of state transfer occurs during the season in which the student has practiced or participated for a team during the current season, the student is ineligible for one year from the date of first attendance at the receiving school in that sport. Excluding any military transfer students. (Emergency Legislation – 9/19/2025).

NOTE: The hardship appeal process may be utilized if deemed necessary by the member school.

On a motion made, seconded and carried the Executive Board **approved** the above amendment as Emergency Legislation.

AMENDMENT – ARTICLE 15 – STUDENT ELIGIBILITY RULES

15.10 TRANSFER RULE

15.10.12 Disciplinary Removal – A student suspended, expelled or otherwise removed for disciplinary reasons, **athletically and/or academically as imposed by the school or state association**, including revocation or non-renewal of open enrollment, from one high school shall be ineligible for interscholastic competition in any other high school for one year or until all conditions for re-admittance have been fulfilled at the high school where the suspension, expulsion, open enrollment revocation or removal for disciplinary reasons occurred, whichever occurs first. (Emergency Legislation – 9/19/2025)

On a motion made, seconded and carried the Executive Board **approved** the above amendment as Emergency Legislation.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion made, seconded, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:54 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Dean Ed., D.
AIA Executive Director