



AGENDA
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
November 17, 2025
8:30 am – Executive Session
8:45 am – Meeting

Call to Order President Missy Townsend

1. **ROLL CALL**

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA – NOVEMBER 17, 2025**

REGULAR MEETING:

3. **MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS**

4. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**
 - Fall Sports Tournaments

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

5. **FINANCIAL REPORT**
Rule: Article 6. Executive Board, Section 5 Duties of the AIA Executive Board. Paragraph 15

6.5.15 The AIA Executive Board shall establish and monitor an annual AIA Operation Budget.

✓ Financial Report for October 2025

6. **FUTURE DATES**

November 18-19, 2025	Winter Hardship Appeal Hearings
November 20, 2025	AIAAA – Xavier College Prep
November 21, 2025	Transfer Committee Meeting
November 24, 2025	4A Conference Committee Meeting
	6A Conference Committee Meeting
November 27-28, 2025	Holiday – AIA Office Closed
December 2, 2025	Football Media Day
December 3, 2025	Student Leadership Advisory Committee Meeting
December 4, 2025	East Valley AD Meeting
December 8, 2025	Executive Board Meeting
December 9, 2025	Transfer Committee Meeting
December 11, 2025	West Valley AD Meeting
December 17, 2025	Football Sports Advisory Committee Meeting
December 18, 2025	AIAAA
Dec. 24-Jan. 2	Holiday – AIA Office Closed

7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following items may be enacted by one motion and approved as consent agenda items with or without discussion. Any item may, however, be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately if a Board member so requests.

(a) Approval of Minutes

- Executive Board Meeting – October 20, 2025

(b) AIA Lifetime Passes

Rule: Article 14. General Provisions, Section 11 AIA Passes. Paragraph 1 Lifetime Passes

1. Brett Stafford Ironwood/PUSD
2. Tim Beck Ironwood/PUSD
3. Wendy Ramos Washington
4. Heather Moore-Martin Catalina
5. William Hubele McClintock
6. Gerald Brown ASDB
7. Herbert Barnes Monument Valley
8. Anthony Forelli Moon Valley

(c) Request for AIA Sanction/Intrastate and Interstate Activities – 2025-26 Master Calendar

Rule: Article 10. Sanction Procedures. Section 10.1 Sanctioned Events

Sanction requests, 2025-26 Master Calendar. The master calendar is posted online at <http://aiaonline.org/calendar/tournaments>

ACTION ITEMS:**8. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS****(A) Rule: Article 33. Beach Volleyball, Section 7 Interschool Competition****33.7 INTERSCHOOL COMPETITION**

33.7.4 *Beach volleyball pairs in team competition shall compete with pairs on the opposing team with the same skill rank. The line-up shall always be based on order of ability. Player movement within the team lineup is restricted to one position up or down from one event (dual or tournament) to another.*

When a regular team member is unable to participate in her established position, that position shall be filled by inserting a substitute or advancing all team members, whether they be varsity, junior varsity or freshman. In subsequent events, when the replaced team member returns, she must return to the position she last played. If a regular team member is out of the lineup for a significant amount of time (at least 3 matches) she may return to any position based on her skill rank. When a regular pair is unable to participate in their established position, that position shall be filled by advancing all other pairs, whether they be varsity, junior varsity or freshman.

Any violation of the anti-stacking policy shall result in forfeiture of the entire match.

(1) PERRY HIGH SCHOOL – Chandler Unified School District**Reported Violation:**

Due to our #1s player who was out on an extended fall break trip, our coach played a substitute in the match against Estrella Foothills on 10/8. Then due to illness in our 5s pair, our coach played that same substitute in the next match against Canyon View on 10/13. Because this was in back to back matches, it was a violation to play this player in pairs more than one position apart.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. This violation was an inadvertent mistake. There was no intention to gain an advantage or evade the stacking rule. The coach thought that his sub could be used at any position as long as he was a designated sub. He was serviced about the stacking rule and now understands how the rule was violated. This violation will become part of his file and any further incident may lead to a suspension of his coaching duties.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

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(1) QUEEN CREEK HIGH SCHOOL – Queen Creek Unified School District**Reported Violation:**

Coach moved a player from the #5 pair on 10/20 vs Crismon to the #3 pair vs Gilbert on 10/24. Coach made a mistake because the player was supposed to be a #4 in a match in-between vs Mesquite on 10/22, but the player removed himself prior to the match due to an injury. Coach admittedly inadvertently made the incorrect line-up move for the Gilbert match.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. Head coach will carefully review and double check previous line-ups. In addition, head coach will contact school AD with any clarifying questions regarding AIA bylaws or NFHS rules pertaining to sport prior to making any decisions.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

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(1) DESERT VISTA HIGH SCHOOL – Tempe Union School District**Reported Violation:**

On 10/20 a player moved more than one position up or down during the match with Campo Verde. Another player played more than one position down during the match with Corona del Sol. This mistake was identified by another school and brought to the AD's attention on the morning of 10/30. I contacted the coach who informed me that they made those position errors.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. AD met with the coach to review the violation and circumstances. AD will also meet with the coach at the start of the season to review AIA rules and expectations regarding player position to ensure there are no issues moving forward. This year we have a new AD and a new boys' beach volleyball coach and are navigating new information as it comes up.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

8. **SCHOOL VIOLATIONS** – Cont'd

(D) Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 10 Transfer Rule

15.10 TRANSFER RULE – Except as stated in 15.10.6, after enrolling and attending one or more classes, a student changing enrollment from one school (sending school) to another school (receiving school) shall be considered a transferring student. For information and record keeping purposes, the receiving and sending school shall reasonably cooperate and complete Form 550.

15.10.5 If a transfer occurs during the season in which the student participated during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the season in which the student is seeking eligibility, or in which the student has practiced or tried out 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.

(1) **RIO RICO HIGH SCHOOL** – Santa Cruz Valley Unified

Reported Violation:

In the past 12 months, a cross country athlete has transferred from Salpointe to Rio Rico to Nogales and back to us. The student withdrew from Salpointe 5/23/25 and then enrolled at Rio Rico on 8/4/25 and then withdrew on 8/6/25 for Nogales. She came back to Rio Rico on 9/4/25.

During the athlete's initial enrollment into Rio Rico, a 550 transfer form was not initiated between us and Salpointe as an incoming student. The athlete then went on to Nogales where a 550 was initiated as an outgoing student ruling in 12 months of ineligibility. When the student re-enrolled back into Rio Rico, a 550 was finally initiated but did not link to the outgoing 550 transfer form results between the three schools. Instead, the incoming 550 only included Salpointe and Rio Rico, both schools ruling the athlete out 50% of the season. The family failed to include the athlete's tenure during the official season of sport at Nogales on the most recent 550 transfer form.

Unfortunately, due to the outgoing and incoming 550 transfer forms not linking to each other, we acknowledged the athlete only as a 1-time transfer (50% eligibility), not out for 12 months due to a transfer during the season of sport.

Schools Corrective Action:

Corrective action steps moving forward are to develop a system between the district welcome center and the RRHS athletics office confirming transcript dates upon enrollment at RRHS and/or fill out the 550 form with the family in person.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

8. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd**(E) Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 7 Physical Examination Rule****15.7 PHYSICAL EXAMINATION RULE**

15.7.1 *A student shall not be allowed to practice or compete in interscholastic athletics until there is on file with the principal or his/her designee a record of a preparticipation physical examination (PPE) performed by a doctor of medicine (M.D.), an osteopathic physician (D.O.), a naturopathic physician (N.D., N.M.D.), a certified registered nurse practitioner (N.P.) licensed to practice, a certified physician's assistant (PA-C) registered by the Joint Board Of Medical Examiners and the Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery, or a certified chiropractic sports physician (CCSP). The physical examination for the following school year shall be given **on or after March 1**. The physical examination on file shall be signed by one of the aforementioned medical providers and shall state that, in the opinion of the examining provider, the provider did not find any medical reason to disqualify the student from practice or competition in athletic contests. The principal or his/her designee, if deemed advisable, may require a student to be reexamined.*

(1) LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL – Peoria Unified School District**Reported Violation:**

JV cheerleader who was not cleared in RMA was allowed to tryout and practice with team. AD was made aware when checking rosters in RMA and student wasn't listed on JV roster. Coach claimed there were two RMA accounts for student and thought she was cleared on one account but that was from last year (24-25). Player has been removed from the team until all forms are uploaded and student is cleared by AD.

Schools Corrective Action:

Coach received written discipline from AD and will be noted on coaching evaluation form submitted to district AD. Coach informed a 2nd offense of this nature would result in suspension from coaching. In the future the coach will print a list of all cleared athletes prior to tryouts and have a formal check in process.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

8. **SCHOOL VIOLATIONS** – Cont'd

(F) Rule: Article 20. Badminton, Section 6 Interschool Competition

20.6 **INTERSCHOOL COMPETITION**

20.6.3 *Badminton players shall compete with players on the opposing team with the same rank. The line-up shall always be based on order of ability. When a regular team member is unable to participate at her established position, that position shall be filled by advancing all team members whether they be varsity, junior varsity or freshman. When a regular team member is unable to play in her established doubles position, that position shall be filled by a direct line substitution, whether they be varsity, junior varsity or freshman. Player movement, including a doubles team, within the team ladder is restricted to one position up or down from one match to another.*

(1) **DESERT EDGE HIGH SCHOOL** – *Agua Fria Unified School District*

Reported Violation:

During the badminton match on October 15, 2025, between Desert Edge and Central, our head coach did not follow AIA bylaw 20.6.3 regarding player lineup and substitution order during the doubles matches. The coach failed to follow the required order of ability when submitting the doubles lineup, resulting in a doubles team being placed outside of sequence within the ladder. Proper advancement of doubles teams was not conducted as required by AIA regulations.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. The athletic department will conduct a review of all AIA badminton bylaws with the head coach to ensure full understanding and compliance moving forward. The head coach will also be required to verify future match lineups with the athletic office.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

8. **SCHOOL VIOLATIONS** – Cont'd

(G) Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 1 Student Eligibility Requirements

15.1 **STUDENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

15.1.1 All participants in interscholastic activities must be in compliance with all student eligibility rules. The student eligibility rules are enumerated and presented in detail in Article 15 of the AIA Bylaws.

15.1.1.1 Failure to meet all eligibility requirements by all participants while participating in an interscholastic event may result in forfeiture or disqualification by the offending school and/or such other disciplinary action as the AIA Executive Board may impose. The disciplinary actions authorized in the event of a violation of the AIA rules and regulations are: Advisement, Warning, Probation, Disqualification and Forfeiture. (See Article 16, Section 1) The AIA Executive Board shall consider possible violations of the AIA rules and regulations at its regularly scheduled meeting or at a special meeting. A special meeting to hear a violation report may be called by the President of the AIA Executive Board at any time deemed necessary. The President shall call a special meeting when so directed by a majority of the AIA Executive Board. At the discretion of the AIA Executive Board, said special meeting may be held by telephone conference call.

(1) **ARIZONA COLLEGE PREPARATORY** – Chandler Unified School District

Reported Violation:

On Wednesday night during the JV football game between ACP and ALA Gilbert North, ACP fielded a JV player who was academically ineligible under AIA academic eligibility rules. This constitutes a violation of AIA policy regarding student-athlete eligibility requirements.

Schools Corrective Action:

To ensure this type of violation does not occur again especially given that this is a new coaching staff the following additional measures will be implemented immediately:

- Direct Notification: the AD will email the list of ineligible athletes directly to all in-season head coaches each week
- Student Meeting: The AD will meet individually with each ineligible athlete to review their status and provide guidance on regaining eligibility.
- Equipment Hold: The names of ineligible athletes will be provided to the equipment manager to ensure no uniform or gear is issued to those athletes on game day.

These steps are designed to strengthen accountability, improve communication, and ensure full compliance with AIA eligibility policies across all ACP athletic programs.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

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(1) **HORIZON HIGH SCHOOL** – Paradise Valley Unified School District

Reported Violation:

At the Fr/So football game against Chaparral on 10/29, Horizon played a freshman athlete that was ineligible due to the PVUSD grade standards.

Schools Corrective Action:

The Athletic Director and the head football coach will update the notification process of students that are academically ineligible. We will do a better job communicating to lower-level coaches of which athletes are ineligible.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

9. CANCELLATION REQUESTS – CONTEST AND/OR PROGRAMS

Rule: Article 11. Scheduling of Contest and Schedule Contracts. Section 4 Schedule Contracts – Varsity / Junior Varsity / Freshman. Paragraph 4 Cancellation or Postponement – Contest or Program. Subparagraph 1

11.4.4.1 A Varsity contest or program which could have a bearing on a regional or state play-off shall not be cancelled or forfeited without prior approval by the AIA Executive Board.

SCHOOL REQUESTING:

1. Fredonia

HEREBY CONSENT:

VAR Girls’ Basketball Program

SUB VARSITY PROGRAM CANCELLATIONS – 9

CONTEST(S) Cancelled: 161 total contests cancelled (VAR/JV/FR/SO)

SCHOOL REQUESTING:

1. Marana
2. Sahuarita
3. ALA Mesa North
4. Cicero Prep

HEREBY DOES NOT CONSENT:

Amphitheater – VAR/JV/Fr/SO Basketball Contest
 Safford – VAR/JV Wrestling Contest
 Phoenix Christian – VAR Girls’ Volleyball Contest
 Hayden – VAR Football Contest

10. REQUEST TO RESCIND NONCONSENT FINE

Miami High School is requesting to rescind the fine for the football contest against Globe.

11. REQUEST TO RESCIND NONCONSENT FINE

Joseph City High School is requesting to rescind the fine for the football contest against El Capitan.

12. ADDITIONAL GAME REQUESTS

- A. **Corona del Sol** – additional VAR/JV/FrSo boys’ basketball games to help fill **Apollo’s** schedule.
- B. **North Canyon** – additional VAR/JV boys/girls’ soccer games to help fill **Alhambra’s** schedule.
- C. **Coolidge** – additional VAR/JV/FrSo boys’ basketball games to help fill **Sabino’s** schedule.
- D. **Flagstaff** – additional VAR girls’ flag football game to help fill **Monument Valley’s** schedule.
- E. **Arizona College Prep** – additional VAR/JV/FrSo boys’ basketball game to help fill **ALA Queen Creek’s** schedule.
- F. **Desert Sunrise** – additional VAR/JV softball game to help fill **Somerton’s** schedule.
- G. **Desert Sunrise** – additional VAR/JV baseball game to help fill **Somerton’s** schedule.
- H. **Deer Valley** – additional FrSo boys/girls basketball games to help fill **Goodyear’s** schedule.
- I. **Round Valley** – additional VAR/JV/FrSo boys/girls basketball games to help fill **Pima’s** schedule.
- J. **Ash Fork** – additional VAR boys/girls basketball games to help fill **Salome’s** schedule.
- K. **Fort Thomas** – additional VAR boys/girls basketball games to help fill **Dishchii’bikoh’s** schedule.
- L. **Scottsdale Christian** – additional VAR boys’ soccer game to help fill **Gilbert Christian’s** schedule.
- M. **Apache Junction** – additional VAR/JV boys/girls’ basketball games to help fill **ALA Mesa North’s** schedule
- N. **Prescott** – additional VAR/JV/FrSo girls’ basketball games to help fill **Sunnyslope’s** schedule.
- O. **Valley Sanders** – additional VAR boys/girls’ basketball games to help fill **Dishchii’bikoh’s** schedule.
- P. **Ben Franklin** – an additional VAR/JV boys/girls’ basketball games to help fill **Page’s** schedule.

13. NEW MEMBER SCHOOL APPLICATION – BALLOTING OF MEMBERSHIP

- Heritage Academy Maricopa

14. NEW MEMBER SCHOOL APPLICATION – SCHEDULE SITE VISIT

- Heritage Academy Mesa
- Heritage Academy Gateway
- American Leadership Academy – Sierra Vista
- American Leadership Academy – Radiance
- Franklin High School (Mesa District)
- Shepherd College Prep (Mesa District)

**15. AMENDMENT – ARTICLE 22 – BASKETBALL – NUMBER OF GAMES IN SEASON
EMERGENCY LEGISLATION *Beginning Next 2-year Block***

22.5 NUMBER OF GAMES IN SEASON

22.5.1 *No school shall schedule more than 20 varsity games, including ~~two~~ three invitationals, which shall count as one game each.*

16. STUDENT ELIGIBILITY APPEALS

TIME	SCHOOL
9:45 am	Boulder Creek High School
10:00am	Catalina Foothills High School

17. CONFERENCE PLACEMENT APPEALS

TIME	SCHOOL	APPEAL
10:15 am	Kofa	5A to 4A
10:30 am	Arcadia	5A to 4A
10:45 am	Coronado	3A to 4A
11:00am	BREAK	
11:15am	Youngker	6A to 5A
11:30 am	Trevor Browne	6A to 5A
11:45 am	La Joya	6A to 5A
12:00pm	Desert Ridge	6A to 5A

18. DIVISION PLACEMENT APPEALS

TIME	SCHOOL	SPORT	APPEAL
12:45pm	NW Christian	Track/Field	D IV to D V
1:00pm	Blue Ridge	Track/Field	D IV to D V
		Cross Country	D III to D IV
1:15 pm	Rincon	Boys' Fall Golf	D I to D II
1:30 pm	Pusch Ridge	Cross Country	D III to D IV
1:45 pm	BREAK		
Paper Screen	Thatcher	Boys' Wrestling	D IV to D III
Paper Screen	ALA Vistancia	Track/Field	D V to D IV
Paper Screen	Casteel	Spiritline	D II to D I
Paper Screen	North Canyon	Track/Field	D III to D II
Paper Screen	Chaparral	Swim/Dive	D II to D I
		Tennis	D II to D I

19. ADJOURNMENT