



**MINUTES
SPECIAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
February 4, 2026**

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 Wednesday, February 4, 2026, in person at the AIA Office, 7007 N 18th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020 and via teleconference.

President Missy Townsend called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

Members in Attendance:

William Duarte, 1A Conference (Superior Jr./Sr. High School)
Tiarra Yazzie, 2A Conference (Hopi 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)*
Missy Townsend, Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (Prescott High School)*
Jim Dean, Ed.D, AIA Executive Director

Members Absent:

Greg Haagsma, 3A Conference (Valley Christian High School)
David Verdugo, Arizona School Administrators (Santa Cruz Valley School District – Rio Rico)

AIA Staff Present:

Toni Corona, Associate Executive Director
Nathan Slater, Associate Executive Director
Brian Gessner, Commissioner of Officials
Tayler Coady, Executive Administrative Assistant

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – FEBRUARY 4, 2026

On a motion made, seconded and carried the Executive Board **approved** the adoption of the February 4, 2026 agenda.

ACTION ITEMS:

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:

✓ 2:14 pm – 2:30 pm

APPEAL OF ARTICLE 16.3.3.2 – PEORIA HIGH SCHOOL

The following representatives entered the meeting for an appeal and left upon completion of their presentations.

Johsua Moore – Athletic Director, Mark Ernster – District Athletic Director

On a motion made, seconded, and carried the Executive Board, **removed** the sanction of probation and placed the Peoria Boys' Basketball program on **warning** for one year 2/4/2026 – 2/4/2027.

APPEAL OF ARTICLE 16.3.3.2 – DEER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

The following representatives entered the meeting for an appeal and left upon completion of their presentations.

Stacey Spencer – Athletic Director, Kim Crooks – District Athletic Director, Paul Roskelley – Principal, Jed Dunn – Boys' Basketball Head Coach

On a motion made, seconded, and carried the Executive Board, **removed** the sanction of probation and placed the Deer Valley athletic department on **warning** for one year 2/4/2026 – 2/4/2027.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion made, seconded, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 2:36 pm.

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