



**AGENDA
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
May 18, 2026
8:30 am – Executive Session
9:00 am – Meeting**

Call to Order President Missy Townsend

- 1. **ROLL CALL**
- 2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA – MAY 18, 2026**
- 3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

REGULAR MEETING:

- 4. **MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS**
- 5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**
 - Spring Championships
 - Night of Champions – The Vista Center for the Arts

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- 6. **FUTURE DATES**

May 19, 2026	2A Baseball / Softball All Conference Selection Meeting
May 20, 2026	3A Baseball All Conference Selection Meeting
May 25, 2025	Holiday – AIA Office Closed
May 29, 2026	AIA Office Closed – Summer Hours Begin

AIA Summer Hours:
 May 29 – July 10
 Monday – Thursday 7:00am – 3:00pm
 Friday Closed

July 6-9 – 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 – April 20, 2026
- Special Executive Board Meeting – April 27, 2026

(b) AIA Lifetime Passes

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

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| 1. Bobby Armenta | Globe |
| 2. Andrew Lang | Mountain Ridge |
| 3. Scott Richardson | Tolleson Union |
| 4. Torin Lattie | Peoria Unified |
| 5. Michelle Gonzalez | Sabino |
| 6. Bruce Williams | Sabino |
| 7. Justin McLain | Sandra Day O'Connor |

(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. 2026-2027 BUDGET PROPOSAL – REVISED****9. 2025-2026 BUDGET****10. ELECTION OF 2026-2027 EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS**

Rule: Article 6 Executive Board, Section 4 Officers of the AIA Executive Board, Paragraph 1

6.4.1 *There shall be a President, Vice President and an Executive Director, who shall also serve as the Treasurer. These officers, except the Executive Director, shall be elected at the first meeting of the AIA Executive Board following the annual selection of the new AIA Executive Board members.*

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS

(A) Rule: Article 14. General Provisions, Section 4 Non School Participation

14.4 NONSCHOOL PARTICIPATION

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(1) NOGALES HIGH SCHOOL – Nogales Unified

Reported Violation:

It was reported on 3/26 that a student engaged in baseball activities on 3/8 and 3/14 with non-school team in Nogales-Sonora. AD and coach reviewed game changer to find student did participate with non-school team and followed up directly with student, who did acknowledge his participation with his father's travel team in Mexico.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. Upon review, JVA coach was notified and student-athlete was not permitted to compete on 3/26 until investigation was complete. AD and Coach advised student and guardians of this forfeiture of eligibility and his impact on the school programs. AD and coach met with the rest of the student athletes and sent messenger to parent/guardians, reiterating non-school participation and consequences. This will continue to be covered in pre-season student/parent meetings along with each programs student/parent meetings.

Prior Violation(s):

December 8, 2025 – Warning – Girls' Basketball Program. Article 15.7 – Physical Exam

March 16, 2026 – Advisement – Boys' Basketball Program. Article 14.4 – Non-school Participation

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

(B) Rule: Article 21. Baseball, Section 1 Rules

21.1 RULES

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Reported Violation:

A sophomore student athlete exceeded the max pitches allowed.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited.

1. Assign designated pitch counter
 - a. Inning by inning verbal updates
 - b. Student-athlete removed near end range pitch count limit
2. Use of Pitch Count Tracking Sheet if Gamechanger is not being utilized
3. Report number of pitches and days' rest to HC post-game. HC will then report to AD.

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(1) CORONA DEL SOL HIGH SCHOOL – Tempe Union High School District

Reported Violation:

On 4/15/2026 during the JVB baseball game, the pitch count rule was violated when pitcher Johnny Avila threw 109 pitches, exceeding the maximum limit of 95. The violation occurred due to an oversight by Coach Gutierrez, who lost track of the pitch count during the back-and-forth nature of the game and failed to monitor the count as required. The violation was identified by Head Varsity Coach Webb and Varsity Assistant Coach Rodriguez when they arrived at the freshman field, checked the pitch count, and immediately had the pitcher removed from the game. Coach Gutierrez acknowledged the error and accepted responsibility, stating he forgot to check the pitch count and apologized for the oversight.

Schools Corrective Action:

To prevent a recurrence of this violation, the school has implemented and will reinforce several corrective measures. First, an additional coach will be added at this level next season to provide increased supervision and support, including shared responsibility for monitoring pitch counts during games. Second, clearer game-day procedures will be established requiring pitch counts to be tracked and verbally confirmed at the end of each inning by the coaching staff. Third, all sub-varsity baseball coaches will receive additional training on pitch count regulations and game management expectations from the athletics office/athletic director and the varsity coaching staff prior to the season. As Coach Gutierrez is in his first year as a head coach, additional mentorship and oversight will be provided first by the athletics office, with continued support from the varsity coaching staff, to support compliance with all rules and procedures. These measures are intended to strengthen oversight and prevent this type of violation from occurring again.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd**(D) Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 10 Transfer Rule / Section 7 Physical Examination 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.

15.7 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) MESA HIGH SCHOOL – Mesa Public Schools**Reported Violation:**

Mesa High School recently identified procedural violations related to AIA bylaws involving student eligibility documentation during an internal audit of the athletic department in the 2025–2026 school year. The audit found that a small number of student-athletes participated in tryouts, and in some cases early team activities, before required eligibility documents were fully completed, submitted, and properly reviewed. Specifically, there were deficiencies in the handling of AIA Form 550 (transfer documentation) and pre-participation physical examination (PPE) forms. Some students were cleared without a completed physical on file.

In certain cases, transfer students had begun but not finalized the AIA 550 process prior to participation. Although all forms were later completed and none of the students were ultimately deemed ineligible, this reflects a procedural lapse in ensuring full clearance before participation.

Schools Corrective Action:

Mesa High School has taken immediate steps to address these issues and prevent recurrence:

- Staff Training: Retrained all athletic staff on AIA eligibility rules
- Revised Procedures: Implemented a standardized clearance process requiring all documentation (AIA 550 and PPE) before any participation, with approval centralized through the athletic office.
- Tracking Systems: Introduced checklist-based tracking and defined checkpoints to ensure all forms are completed.
- Ongoing Monitoring: Established periodic internal audits and accountability measures.
- Annual Training: Implemented required yearly AIA compliance training for all athletic staff.

These measures ensure consistent compliance with AIA bylaws moving forward.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd**(E) Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 12 Recruitment Rule**

15.12 RECRUITMENT RULE – *There shall be no recruitment of athletes. Recruitment is defined as the act of influencing a student to enroll in a school or to transfer from one school to another in order that the student may participate in interscholastic athletics. No school administrator, athletic coach or employee of a high school district shall engage in recruitment either by direct contact with a student or indirectly through parents, legal guardians, common school employees, directors of summer athletic programs or other persons who are in a position to influence the student's choice of a school.*

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(1) AMERICAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY WEST FOOTHILLS – American Leadership Academies**Reported Violation:**

Student had prior contact with multiple varsity coaches at ALA West Foothills through club participation.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited.

4. ALA West Foothills will ensure that all Athletic Department policies and procedures are enforced by a trained Athletic Administrator. This has already been established with the hiring of Tony Miller in early 2026.
5. ALA West Foothills will establish both pre-season and post-season coaches meetings to ensure that coaches are staying in alignment with both AIA and ALA policies.
6. All ALA West Foothills high school coaches will become NFHS Level 3 certified by August 1, 2026. This includes paid head coaches and assistant coaches. Additionally, all junior high coaches will become NFHS Level 1 certified by the same date. This will help establish a system of accountability.
7. ALA West Foothills will work with the Positive Coaching Alliance to host two separate workshops (Double Goal Coach and Triple Impact Competitor), this will help ensure that coaches and athletes are aligned with their goals. This will be completed by November 1, 2026.
8. All ALA West Foothills head coaches will take the mandatory beginning of the season AIA courses. Campus Administration will ensure this happens every season.
9. ALA West Foothills Athletic Director, Tony Miller, will create a series of educational videos detailing and explaining how certain bylaws are enforced. These courses will be aligned with our bi-monthly coaches meetings.
10. ALA West Foothills will establish seasonal parent meetings. These meetings will educate parents, athletes and coaches on important policies within the athletic department. Those meeting dates have already been selected by Tony Miller.
11. ALA West Foothills will establish a SALT Team (Student Athlete Leadership Team). Each sport head coach will select two student athletes to serve on this team, Tony Miller will lead these student athletes through a series of leadership training courses during zero hour multiple times per year. These students athletes can then bring the new skills they've learned back to their respective teams.
12. ALA West Foothills Athletic Administration will thoroughly examine all athletic transfers to ensure that all bylaws are in compliance.
13. Failure to meet these expectations by any coach will result in non-renewal.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

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(1) WILLAIMS FIELD HIGH SCHOOL – Higley Unified School District**Reported Violation:**

Student participated for a 6-4-3 affiliated club baseball team during two tournaments in September. The organization is owned by an assistant coach at Williams Field. My coach was unaware that the student was picked up for the tournaments by the coach of that 6-4-3 team until the violation was brought to our attention by a third party on 4/22.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. conduct a more thorough in-service training with the entire coaching staff of each sport, giving better examples and scenarios. No longer rely solely on the 550 forms but meet with the coaching staff about each transfer in their program to ensure that the transfer does not violate the prior contact rule or any other bylaw before determining eligibility. Any high school club tournament roster will be submitted to the Williams Field High School AD, prior to any game played.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd**(G) Rule: Article 17. Coaches and Coaching, Section 1 Coaching Qualification**

17.1 COACHING QUALIFICATION – All head and assistant coaches, whether paid or volunteer must complete the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching course, or approved equivalent, within forty five (45) days from the date of hire. Additionally, all head and assistant coaches, whether paid or volunteer, shall complete the NFHS online education course entitled “Concussion in Sports – What You Need to Know” prior to starting coaching duties.

17.1.1 Coaches shall be approved in accordance with the personnel policies of the school district and in accordance with the Arizona Revised Statutes.

(1) MICA MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL – Vail Unified School District**Reported Violation:**

Head girls’ basketball coach brought on a coach during Christmas break to help coach during practices only without proper clearance through the district. Also the coach did not meet the AIA requirements for coaching.

Schools Corrective Action:

Head coach resigned from all coaching responsibilities at Mica Mountain.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

(2) SAN CARLOS HIGH SCHOOL – San Carlos Unified**Reported Violation:**

Our FR/JV boys’ basketball coach never completed any of the required AIA coaching courses by 45-day deadline, NFHS Fundamentals and Concussion. AD was taken out of the hiring and compliance process.

Schools Corrective Action:

All coaching applicants will turn in copies of their completed coaching courses to the athletic department prior to/by district interview for coaching positions. Attached is a list of the requirements here at San Carlos High School for coaching – our human resources department has this list as well and has been approved by our governing board. The second correction action to this violation will be, we will open and re-advertise the boys’ basketball JV/assistant & FR/assistant positions.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

(H) Rule: Article 10. Sanctioned Procedures. Section 1 Sanctioned Events

10.1 SANCTIONED EVENTS – *During the season, in sports and activities that are governed by the AIA, member schools shall only participate with or against the following: AIA member high schools; out-of-state or Canadian high schools that are in good standing or approved by their respective association. Violation of this rule subjects the offending member school to loss of all privileges of membership for one year and/or such penalty as the Executive Board is authorized to impose under Article 16.*

(1) SABINO HIGH SCHOOL – Tucson Unified School District

Reported Violation:

Sabino High School hosted an invitational track meet on 4/4/26. One of the teams that participated in the event was American Leadership Academy - Sierra Vista. ALA Sierra Vista is a member of the CAA and not the AIA. This was missed by Sabino in the processing step, and they were allowed to compete in the invitational. After being made aware of the issue, the times for ALA Sierra Vista were invalidated.

Schools Corrective Action:

The process for confirming participants in contests has been amended to explicitly confirm AIA membership to prevent this error from occurring again in the future.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd**(I) 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.

15.10.3 In case of any subsequent transfer by the student, the student is ineligible for one year from the date of first attendance at the receiving school

(1) HORIZON HONORS HIGH SCHOOL – Horizon Honors High School**Reported Violation:**

A student transferred from Horizon Honors to Desert Vista on 12/20/24 then transferred back to Horizon Honors on 7/28/25. The student was at Desert Vista for one semester. The athletic department was unaware of the transfer and cleared the student to participate in Cross Country this fall and 5 track and field events to date. The student has now been removed from the Track and Field team. The dates and events have been sent to the AIA and are being removed from athletic.net. In regards to Cross Country, the student did not compete in the State Meet.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited. We will use Powerschool to check every single student on a roster to make sure that they are not a transfer student.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd**(J) Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 9 Maximum Participation Rule**

15.9 MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION RULE – After a student first enrolls in the ninth grade, he/she has a maximum of eight semesters of opportunity and a maximum of four seasons of opportunity in each sport or activity. **Semesters 1-8 must be consecutive.**

(1) DESERT MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL – Scottsdale Unified School District**Reported Violation:**

Desert Mountain boys' basketball played a student athlete in his 9th and 10th semesters of high school.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest forfeited.

- All games for the 2025 and 2026 season have been forfeited.
- Head Coach and Staff not renewed for 2026-2027 school year.
- Human Resources was notified and made appropriate recommendations to staff.
- Training of registrar, counselors and athletic assistants. Registrar and Counselors will check incoming students birth years and cohorts to make sure we are following 8 consecutive semester by-laws.
- Registrar and counselors will notify the athletic office of all new students at the school. Athletic Director will check transcripts and meet with new students and family before they are cleared to participate in sports.
- Athletic Director will have yearly meetings with coaching staff to remind them to notify the athletic director if they have new athletes in their program.
- Site based Athletic Director will reach out to district athletic director if they have any questions regarding bylaws.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

(K) Rule: Article 15. Student Eligibility Rules, Section 3 Enrollment Rule

15.3 ENROLLMENT RULE

15.3.1 *Only students enrolled at a member school in grades 9 through 12, shall be eligible for interscholastic competition, team practices and tryouts. For purposes of this rule, a student's school of enrollment is defined as the school where the student's permanent grades/records are maintained and from which the student will be eligible to graduate.*

(1) GILBERT HIGH SCHOOL – Gilbert Public Schools

Reported Violation:

Incoming 9th graders (current 8th graders) were allowed to participate with current members of the team during spring football drills. Coach was under the impression that he could combine the groups if they were all signed up for a camp.

Schools Corrective Action:

In-service with head football coach to review bylaws regarding camps and spring football. Gilbert High will have a new athletic director for the 2026-27 school year.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

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(1) INDEPENDENCE HIGH SCHOOL – Glendale Union High School District**Reported Violation:**

It was reported to the Athletic director that a student athlete played in a day tournament co-ed volleyball tournament for Arizona Chin Community at Washington Park on April 25th. Through investigation it was determined that he did participate in this tournament playing for one of the teams.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest Forfeited. The following corrective actions have and or will take place:

1. Student athlete has been removed from the team for the remainder of the season in accordance with bylaw. Parents have been made aware of the decision.
2. Formal meeting with head coach to review bylaws and plan in place for those students to continue to be educated on bylaws to ensure future compliance.

Prior Violation(s):

August 11, 2025 – Advisement – Activities Program. Article 14.3 Max Teams per Sport

(2) WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL – Glendale Union High School District**Reported Violation:**

Boys' volleyball athlete participated in tournament style events during the season at a club affiliated facility on March 1 and March 8.

Schools Corrective Action:

Contest Forfeited. Volleyball coach, parents, players\ were informed and aware of the policy. Student athlete did not believe he was violating a policy/bylaw by playing in what was called an "open gym" type tournament where anyone could pay to play in it. No awards, money trophies provided.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

11. SCHOOL VIOLATIONS – Cont'd

(M) Rule: Article 14. General Provisions, Section 2 Practice

14.2 PRACTICE

14.2.1 No practice, contest, chalk talk or films are permitted on **Sunday** during the school year.

(1) AMPHITHEATER HIGH SCHOOL – Amphitheater Unified District

Reported Violation:

Girls' beach volleyball team practiced on a Sunday during the season.

Schools Corrective Action:

Addressed with coach who is brand new to coaching and wasn't aware this was a violation. After the conversation our coach never held another Sunday practice.

Prior Violation(s):

None.

12. 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.

SUB VARSITY PROGRAM CANCELLATIONS – 3

CONTEST(S) Cancelled: 143 total contests cancelled (VAR/JV/FR/SO)

SCHOOL CANCELLING:

- 1. St Augustine
- 2. Many Farms
- 3. Tonopah Valley

SCHOOL DOES NOT CONSENT:

- Tombstone – VAR Softball
- Hopi – VAR Softball
- Ben Franklin – VAR Softball

13. ADDITIONAL GAME REQUESTS

- A. **Cesar Chavez** – an additional VAR baseball game to help fill **Lee William's** schedule.
- B. **Yuma Catholic** – additional VAR/JV/FrSo girls' volleyball match to help fill **Parker's** schedule.

14. REQUEST – FOOTBALL CO-OP – CIECRO PREP AND NORTH PHOENIX PREP

Cicero Prep Academy and North Phoenix Prep Academy, both part of Great Hearts Academies and current 1A schools, would like to respectfully request permission to combine for football only and be post-season eligible for the upcoming fall season. This request comes due to a lack of interest at both schools to have a team on their own, but with the hope that they will be able to have their own teams in the future. This request is also for a year over year evaluation by the 1A Conference for this allowance to deem if necessary for continuation. We would like to have this approved until both schools can safely field teams on their own as that is the hope of both schools and Great Hearts.

15. OVERTIME NATIONALS

Overtime requests the opportunity to select a top football program from the state of Arizona of their choosing to compete in the 2026 Overtime Nationals series and for that team to be able to compete after their state playoffs.

16. BEACH VOLLEYBALL – PAIRS TOURNAMENT

It has been five years since we expanded from 16 to 24 pairs. Due to the growth of programs and the current competitiveness of the sport it is time to expand to 32 pairs. This would result in very little impact to the overall tournament dates. It would apply to both boys' and girls' beach volleyball.

17. TEXTURED VOLLEYBALLS – STATE ADOPTION

The NFHS allows for states to adopt the use of textured volleyballs.

18. AMENDMENT – SPORTS MEDICINE

43.4 HAZING EDUCATION – All student athletes shall complete the Hazing only education course prior to participating in practice or competition. The Hazing online concussion education course must be completed by a student-athlete only once.

19. AMENDMENT – CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBER HIGH SCHOOLS****EMERGENCY LEGISLATION****

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.

8.1.6.8.1 If a school's enrollment conference placement is different than their football conference placement, the football program will be moved, during football reclassification.
If playing football in a conference lower than the other team sports...

- Football will be moved up one conference if, by using the same average weighted AIA rankings powered by MaxPreps used in the reclassification process, their football ranking is in the top 33% of their current football conference ~~they would be moving into~~ or was rated in the top 50% for both years of their prior scheduling block.

20. AMENDMENT – STUDENT ELIGIBILITY RULES****EMERGENCY LEGISLATION****

15.14 HARDSHIP (Form 15.10) - ~~In individual hardship cases the AIA Executive Board or the Hardship Appeals Committee may, at their discretion and upon such terms and conditions as may be imposed, waive or modify the Enrollment Rule (Article 15, Section 3, Paragraph 4 only), Domicile Rule (Article 15, Section 5), Maximum Participation Rule (Article 15, Section 9, Paragraph 1 only), Transfer Rule (Article 15, Section 10), and/or Recruitment Rule (Article 15.12.4.14 only), and/or the International Student Eligibility Rule (Article 15.15.2 only).~~ The appeal shall initially be heard and decided by the Hardship Appeals Committee. The decision of the Hardship Appeals Committee shall be final unless appealed to the AIA Executive Board within five business days from the date of said decision. AIA Executive Board consideration of such appeals will take place only at regularly scheduled monthly meetings, unless otherwise scheduled by the Board. (See Article 6, Section 3 regarding procedures for meetings of the AIA Executive Board.) Procedures for appeals to the Hardship Appeals Committee shall be as determined by the AIA Executive Board.

21. ADJOURNMENT