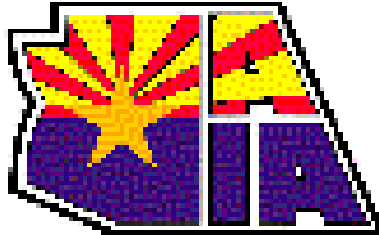


ARIZONA INTERSCHOLASTIC ASSOCIATION, INC.



AGENDA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY- MARCH 7, 2008

9:00 A.M.

30. COACHES / COACHING - SPIRITLINE**AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

Amend AIA Bylaws: Article 37 Spiritline, Section 37.10 Coaches / Coaching, Paragraph 37.10.4 (Page 142)

Rationale for Proposed Amendment

37.10.4 – Safety and liability are the foremost concerns among Spiritlines. The AACCA Safety Certification Course covers such topics as legal and medical responsibilities, spotting stunts, spotting tumbling, environmental safety concerns, psychological readiness, physical readiness, program evaluation, and more. The certification is valid for four years and provides the certified coach with one million dollars of secondary liability insurance coverage (must be employed by a school and is at least 21 years of age). The cost of this course is \$75. Requirement of this course will enable both the coaches and the schools confidence that their spiritline is an asset instead of a liability.

37.10.5 – Even though each Spiritline coach is given a National Federation Spirit Rule Book, there are numerous violations that occur each year. The violations range from something as simple as the length of participants nails to an illegal stunt. By Spiritline coaches taking the NF Spirit Interpretations Class, coaches will be more educated about the rules and less likely to have a violation. There is no charge for this class.

(Insert New Text)

ARTICLE 37 – SPIRITLINE**37.10 COACHES / COACHING**

37.10.1 The AIA shall not have regulations concerning spiritline coaches coaching their own school squad during the summer vacation period. Summer vacation period shall be identified as beginning with the last day of school and extending to the first day of permissive football practice for each Conference.

37.10.2 Coaches / Players - Activities outside the season of sport between coaches and members of spiritline squads for fund raising or entertainment purposes will not jeopardize the eligibility of squad members.

37.10.3 The head coaches of spiritline shall be exempt from Article 3 of the AIA Constitution (which states that a head coach must have an Arizona Teaching Certificate).

37.10.4 Spiritline coaches shall be AACCA (American Association of Cheerleading Coaches and Advisors) Safety Certified and shall provide proof of certification to the Athletic Director of the local campus and the AIA office.

37.10.4.1 Members of spiritline squads shall not stunt during the season of activity until the coaches have provided proof of their AACCA Safety Certification to the Athletic Director of the local campus and the AIA office.

37.10.5 Spiritline coaches shall attend a National Federation Spirit Rules Interpretation Class each school year. The National Federation Spirit Rules Interpretation Class shall consist of the clarification, interpretation and current changes of the National Federation Spirit Rule Book.

37.10.5.1 Members of spiritline squads shall not stunt during the season of activity until the coaches have attended a National Federation Spirit Rules Interpretation Class.

37.10.5.2 Upon a confirmed report of a National Federation Spirit Rules violation, except during an AIA Sanctioned Invitational and/or an annual AIA State Competition, the following procedure shall apply per individual occurrence:

First Violation = Warning to the squad in violation

Second Violation = Inability for the squad in violation to stunt

Third Violation = Inability for the squad in violation to compete

31. NONSCHOOL / ALL-STAR PARTICIPATION - SPIRITLINE**AIA EXECUTIVE BOARD – PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

Amend AIA Bylaws: Article 37 Spiritline, Section 37.12 Nonschool / All-Star Participation (NEW) (Page 142)

Rationale for Proposed Amendment

We have noticed an increase in requests from coaches as well as administrators to impose this rule due to issues related to high school Spiritline members participating on All-Star teams at the same time. Some of the issues have been grade eligibility due to time commitment, stunts that are legal on All-Star teams but are illegal at the high school level among other safety issues. To keep the separation of high school and All-Star will alleviate future problems as Spiritline becomes more popular.

(Insert New Text)

ARTICLE 37 – SPIRITLINE**Add New Section****37.12 NONSCHOOL/ALL-STAR PARTICIPATION**

37.12.1 A student who is a member of a school spiritline team shall not practice or compete with any other group, club, organization, association, etc., in that athletic-activity during the interscholastic season of competition. For purposes of this rule, the interscholastic season of competition shall begin with the first week of permissive football and concludes with the last basketball State Tournament game. Any student violating the above rule shall forfeit his/her eligibility for a minimum of the balance of the season for that athletic-activity or up to a maximum of one calendar year.

DETERMINATION: An individual student may take private lessons anytime except during the school day or during school practice sessions. Schools shall not pay for, arrange or in any way provide these individual private lessons. Individual private lessons shall not be used to circumvent or evade the nonschool/all-star participation rule and any such use of private lessons will be considered a violation of the nonschool/all-star participation rule. (Ex. Bd. 2/18/03)