



CANYON ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
AUGUST BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2025

In accordance with the Canyon Athletic Association (CAA) Constitution, a meeting of the Executive Board was held on Friday, August 1, 2025, at Talking Sticks Resort, 9800 E Talking Stick Wy, Scottsdale, AZ 85256.

Executive Board President Giles Glithero called meeting to order at 3:03 PM

Executive Board Member Attendance:

Erik Gray - Premier Prep Online Academy
Giles Glithero - South Ridge High School
Josh Leon - Legacy Traditional Schools
Myles Jackson - Southwest Leadership Academy
Nikki Foster - Leading Edge Academy
Troy Miletta - Heritage Elementary
Tyler Olsen - AZ Compass Prep

Staff in Attendance

Randall Baum, CAA Executive Director
Rachel McCune, CAA Executive Assistant
Alan Weber, CAA Finance Director

Members in Attendance

Daniel Meyer - Legacy Traditional Schools District Athletic Director
Kayla Legge - American Leadership Academy West Foothills
William Dunman - American Leadership Academy West Foothills
Yesenia Tolzman - BASIS Ahwatukee*
Trenton Herrera - Coolidge Junior High*
Christopher McComb - Edkey Schools*
Brittany Takapu - Sequoia Charter

*Indicates members were present via teleconference

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

On a motion made, seconded, and carried the Executive Board approved the May 7, 2025, meeting minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - No session was motioned.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Current Profit/Loss Review

2025 - 2026 CAA Annual Budget - Article 34

Reviewed Swim Per meet fees via email thread

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE:

Welcome Back CAA Members!

The 2025–2026 school year is here, and we are thrilled to kick things off with exciting updates and opportunities for our member schools.

This year, we continue to enhance our operations through Bound Athletic Management, providing more streamlined tools and support for our athletic programs. We have also updated our bylaws to address key member concerns, ensuring our governance reflects the needs of our schools.

Our Athletic Director Conference at Talking Stick Resort will welcome over 200 athletic directors, making it one of our largest gatherings yet. In addition, we are excited to announce new partnerships that will directly benefit our schools, including a renewed partnership agreement with Wilson Sporting Goods and an expansion of our programs through the Arizona Dairy Council.

As the Executive Director, I am honored to serve our CAA member schools and look forward to a year filled with growth, collaboration, and memorable achievements. Let's make 2025–2026 a year to remember!

New School Membership:

After reviewing the membership application and scheduling a site visit with the Executive Director, the following new member schools were approved by the membership for the 2025-2026 school year.

<u>School</u>	<u>Level</u>
Caritas Christian Classical Academy	Junior High Membership
St. Peter Indian Mission School	High School Membership
Wickenburg Christian Academy	Added Junior High Membership
BASIS Phoenix	Added High School Membership
Vista College Prep- Sueno Park	Junior High Membership
Pensar Academy	Junior High Membership
Sequoia Pathway	High School Membership
Arcadia Christian	High School Membership
International School of Arizona	Junior High Membership

DROPS

<u>School</u>	<u>Level/ Sport</u>
James Madison Prep	High School 8-Man Football
Victory Futures Academy	High School 8-Man Football
Brighton Charter School	High School Boys Soccer
Verde Christian Academy	High School Boys Flag Football
Dream City Christian School	High School JV Girls Volleyball
American Heritage Cottonwood	High School Boys & Girls Cross Country
BASIS Scottsdale	High School Boys Flag Football
Ridgeview College Prep	High School Boys Soccer
LFPA	High School Boys Flag Football
Leading Edge Academy Maricopa	Junior High Baseball
EDUPRIZE Gilbert	Junior High Coed Soccer
BASIS Phoenix South	Junior High Coed Soccer
LFPA	High School Football

APPEALS

GENERAL APPEALS

ARTICLE 4: Responsibilities and Requirements of Member Schools

4.4.1 *On an annual basis, the school athletic director shall attend the CAA Kickoff Athletic Director Conference Meeting and the CAA Constitution and Bylaws Athletic Director Conference to be held each August and March, respectively.*

4.4.2 *Failure to attend the above required meetings will result in the school being fined \$150.00 per meeting.*

School

Approved/Denied

Sequoia Pathfinder

Approved

Sequoia Pathfinder at Eastmark

Approved

- An employee from the district was approved to attend on behalf of both schools.

ARTICLE 10: Penalties and Fines

10.4.4.1 *After the season schedule is posted on the CAA online platform but before the first day regular season games can be played:*

10.4.4.1.1 *Fine of \$250, refund of participation fee.*

School

Approved/Denied

Level/Sport

Verde Christian Academy

Approved

HS Boys Flag Football

ARTICLE 10: Penalties and Fines

10.4.3 *Failure to Travel for a Mandatory Game*

10.4.3.1 *If the game is not completed as scheduled, a \$750 fine will be imposed on the visiting team, with \$700 paid to the team that was canceled upon. Hardship must be proven as to why travel is not possible.*

School

Approved/Denied

Sport

BASIS Ahwatukee

Approved

Basketball

CLASSIFICATION APPEALS

School/Appeal

Tri City Christian Academy

Approved/Denied

Approved

- The High School Boys Basketball team has been approved for classification up in Division 2 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Champion Schools San Tan

Approved

- The Junior High Boys Basketball and Junior High 7v7 Passing League have been approved for classification up in Division 3 for the 2025-2026 school year.

Report of Violation

The CAA Executive Board has completed its review of the incident that occurred during the 2024–2025 CAA Division 4 Junior High Boys Basketball State Championships held at Sunrise Mountain High School. This review included submitted statements, incident reports, and violation reports from both schools. Following this, the Board carefully considered each school's submitted information.

School

Coolidge JH

Level/Sport

Junior High Boys Basketball

- A decision was made by the board, but we are awaiting further information/action/ from the member school.

School

American Leadership Academy

Level/Sport

Junior High Boys Basketball

- A decision was made by the board, but we are awaiting further information/action/ from the member school.
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Member Schools Reporting Out - UPDATE

5.10 Homeschool or Online Student Athletes

Students who homeschool or attend an online school who request to compete for a current CAA member school ~~must submit the CAA General Appeal form before the start of that sports season~~ **must update student enrollment count to the association by resubmitting the student enrollment verification form.** The student must submit the following items to the receiving school's Athletic Director:

- * Letter from parent
- * Letter stating homeschool curriculum
- * Birth Certificate
- * Current schedule of classes
- * Verify passing current classes
- * Affidavit from the state department of education (Homeschool only)
- * **or Empowerment Scholarship Account (ESA) approval document**

Note: If your school had filed the paperwork before this decision by the Executive Board, please follow the new process for reporting out students under Article 5.10

New Business:

HeadStrong Concussion Insurance Program – Quick Synopsis

- Purpose: Designed to protect student-athletes from the high costs associated with concussion treatment and neurological follow-up
- Coverage Details:
 - Provides first-dollar coverage with \$0 deductible and no co-pays.
 - Acts as secondary/excess insurance, paying after the primary insurance—but becomes the primary payor if no other insurance is available.
 - Covers up to \$25,000 per injury, including neurological follow-up, and includes \$5,000 Accidental Death & Dismemberment benefit.
- Additional Benefits:
 - Telemedicine services when needed
 - No restrictions on provider choice and no referrals required
 - No internal limits or procedure maximums, with billing at Usual & Customary rates.
- Eligibility: Covers all athletes participating in school-sponsored practices and competitions, subject to the specific governing body's participation rules

Board Action:

- Present information to member schools at Athletic Director conference
- A voting ballot was sent to the members via JotForm.

Sports Bylaw Summer Review: (per membership vote at 24-25 Constitution meeting)

The following sports held summer meetings with member schools and voted on updates; these updates have been made and published for the following sports.

CAA - NIL Bylaws

- Proposal

Article 11: Due Process

- Which process does the Board want posted

Bylaws Review - Baseball

- Commissioner recommendations reviewed

Bylaws Review - Cross Country

- Members voted for Bylaw change

Bylaws Review - Football

- Commissioner recommendations reviewed

Bylaws Review - Wrestling

- Members voted for Bylaw change

Bylaws Review - Swimming

- Members voted for Bylaw change

Bylaws Review - ESports

- Commissioner recommendations reviewed

Bylaws Review - Tennis

- Commissioner recommendations reviewed

FUTURE MEETINGS

Fall Student Hardship Appeals	August 20th	CAA League Office
September Executive Board Meeting	September 3	CAA League Office
October Executive Board Meeting	October 1	CAA League Office

There being no further business, and on a motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 4:56 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Randall Baum, CAA Executive Director