

AISA BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
February 21, 2018

PRESENT

Jim Arrington  
Rebecca Baggett  
Chris Burford  
William Christopher  
Patti Davis  
George Fendley III  
Chip Harrigan  
Glynn Lott  
Frankie Mitchum  
Dr. John Meheffey  
Jay Rainey  
Tim Skelton  
Herbert Traylor  
Brach White

ABSENT

Sammie Carter  
Travis Colquitt  
David Hudson  
Palmer Kennedy  
Dr. Larry McLemore  
Pat Taylor  
Kelly Zimmerman

On February 21, 2018 the AISA State Board Meeting was called to order by President Frankie Mitchum at 1:00pm. The invocation was given by Mr. Herbert Traylor. President Frankie Mitchum took a minute to welcome Mr. Randy Skipper back from his open heart surgery and thanked the staff for carrying on in his absence without missing a beat. Mr. Randy Skipper thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers during his surgery and time out.

Mr. Randy Skipper called roll and a quorum was present. Board minutes for September 27, 2017 were approved unanimously on a motion by Brach White and a second by Dr. John Meheffey.

The financial report was given by Mr. Randy Skipper and approved on a motion by Jim Arrington and a second by Mr. Chip Harrigan.

Mr. Brach White gave the Athletic Committee report. Two reports of numbers were taken from each school and an average for the two was used to put schools in classifications. Some schools were spot checked for numbers where there had been problems in the past. There have been some complaints about game times for Basketball championships and that the atmosphere was not good for championship play however the parking was much better.

The Athletic committee overturned eligibility on two students at Autauga Academy that Mr. Roddie Beck had deemed eligible. They transferred in to Autauga Academy at the last minute when they were declared eligible to the best information Mr. Beck was given. President Frankie Mitchum requested a review of the eligibility of these students. The Alabama Athletic Association declared them ineligible to play at the high school they could return to after they had changed schools where there were recruiting violations. They could return to the school but were not eligible to play baseball. On a 5-4 vote the Athletic Board voted them ineligible with AISA. The Alabama Athletic Association has drawn a lot of media attention in Elmore County in the past week. This issue could be appealed to the AISA State Board.

Mr. Roddie Beck's Athletic Report stated that the new classifications were announced today and Sara will be sending those out today to the schools.

Mr. George Fendley had no information on legal issues.

Dr. John Mehaffey gave the Headmaster's Report. He stated that the Professional Development for Headmasters will be March 12. He ask for everyone to encourage their district headmasters to attend. Part of the training will be active shooting training.

Mr. Michael McLendon gave a legislative update. He gave a handout with many bills to watch and information on them. He encouraged us to watch bill SB189(Brewbaker) bill because it could help our parents financially. Other bills of interest are HB76(Warren), HB9(Williams), SB151(Smitherman), HB225(Hill), HB391(Ford), and SB270(Whatley).

The calendar for the 2018-2019 school year was approved on a motion by Brach White and a second by Dr. John Mehaffey.

Mr. Randy Skipper made a recommendation to have the Hall of Fame Banquet every three years instead of two because of the cost and the low number of nominees. It was passed on a motion by Dr. John Mehaffey and a second by Chip Harrigan.

In new business Michael McLendon presented four new applications for membership, they were:

1. Bright Beginnings Academy in Mobile. They specialize in Dyslexia.
2. Snook Christian Academy in Foley, will participate in Athletics.
3. Spring Valley School in Birmingham. They specialize in Dyslexia, AD and ADHD.
4. The Capitol School in Tuscaloosa. They are SACS accredited. And will participate in volleyball.

A motion was made by Chip Harrigan to accept them as a group and it was seconded by Mr. Christopher Williams. AISA now has 74 member schools which is the largest membership ever.

Old Business- President Frankie Mitchum reminded everyone of a study a Troy professor is doing on high school students and gambling and that his school is participating. Others may participate.

New Business- Kelly Zimmerman has resigned as treasurer and from the board due to new job requirements that demand a lot of travel and being out of town. We will not replace him until the July meeting. If anyone does not plan to return to their position they need to let Frankie Mitchum know as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm

Respectfully submitted by AISA State Board Secretary  
Rebecca Baggett