



Meeting of the Executive Committee

April 14, 2026

1:00 p.m.

CIF Southern Section Offices, Los Alamitos, CA

Minutes

| 1. OPENING BUSINESS | DISPOSITION | ITEM |
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A. Call to order by Dr. Paula Hart Rodas, President of the Council

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. President Hart Rodas welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

All members of the Executive Committee were present except for Terry Barnum.

D. Introduction of Guests

There were no guests present at this meeting.

E. Adopt Agenda

Adopted

There was a motion and a second to adopt the agenda as written. The motion carried 19-0-0.

F. Approval of Minutes

Approved

There was a motion and a second to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2026, Executive Committee Meeting. The motion carried 18-0-1.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Recognition of anyone wishing to address the Executive Committee. Speakers must limit their remarks to three minutes.

Present to address the Executive Committee were the Nelligan family along with the Principal of JSerra High School, Eric Stroupe. They spoke regarding an eligibility ruling and a request to lift the penalty.

3. NON-ACTION ITEMS**DISPOSITION****ITEM****A. STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL NON-ACTION ITEMS**

1. Proposed Revision to Bylaw 503.M - Spectators Non-Action STATE 693

President-Elect Dr. Alexis Barile presented the proposal requesting revision to Bylaw 503.M as it relates to spectators storming the court or field. This would put the onus on school sites to have in place plans to prevent these activities. This revision would be effective immediately if it passes. The Northern area sections are having many problems with this issue. They already have penalties in place and student safety is at the core of this bylaw change.

B. SOUTHERN SECTION NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Proposed Revision to Bylaw 3514 - Non-Action SS 694
Number of Playoff Entries

President Dr. Paula Hart Rodas presented the proposal requesting revision to Bylaw 3514 as it relates to number of playoff entries to align football with all other sports. Implementation for this revision would be for the 2027-2028 school year. This would result in an increase in the number of football playoff divisions and could set into motion many conferences realigning mid-cycle to create five team leagues. The Southern Section would not gain any additional entries into the State Football Championships. There may be a reduction in the number of at large teams but automatic entries would increase, possibly balancing the scales in the total number of entries. The goal is mostly to align football with the other sports as it relates to number of automatic entries into playoffs.

2. Proposed Revision to Bylaw 1223.3 - Non-Action SS 695
Summer Dead Period

President Dr. Paula Hart Rodas presented the proposal requesting revision to Bylaw 1223.3 as it relates to the Summer Dead Period. Each school would select a seven (7) day period for all sports at the school to be dark and then another seven (7) day period for all levels of each sport. Many schools and districts use the current two-week dead period to do maintenance and clean up facilities. This change could harm the multi-sport athlete, giving them only a one week break instead of two and moving backwards from the system that is in place at this time.

4. ACTION ITEMS**DISPOSITION****ITEM****A. STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS**

1. Proposed 2026-27 CIF State Budget Approved STATE 686

President-Elect Dr. Alexis Barile presented the CIF State proposed budget for the 2026-2027 school year. Please review State budget information from the April 14, 2026, meeting agenda. There was a motion and a second to approve the CIF State Budget. There being no discussion, the motion carried 19-0-0.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Financial Report

Mitch Carty

Chief Financial Officer, Mitch Carty started by distributing a “financial snapshot” where we stand today and this handout appears at the end of these minutes.

1. 2024-2025 CIF Southern Section Audit Accepted 5A1

Chief Financial Officer Mitch Carty reviewed the 2024-25 audit and the results from the Audit Committee Meeting held last month. Those on the Audit Committee that sit on this body discussed the meeting and presented the audit. The auditors were incredibly impressed with CFO Mitch Carty and the organization is in good financial shape. They gave us the highest form of “opinion” that can be given. There was a motion and a second to accept the 2024-2025 audit. The motion carried 19-0-0.

B. CIF Southern Section 2025-26 Goals Responses

Mike West 5B

Commissioner Mike West presented the responses to the 2024-25 goals, which appear at the end of these minutes. Mr. West went through the new goals and how those goals were met throughout the 2025-26 school year.

C. Communications Report

Thom Simmons

The TV program “CIFSS This Week” has been suspended until further notice due to the inability to monetize the production of the show. The office will reevaluate and come up with a new use of the program funds. All social media numbers are up. Instagram shows a 205.5% increase in reach and a 264.5% increase in visits over last year with 31.7K new followers. Facebook is showing a 245.4% increase in interactions and a 193.3% increase in visits with 923 new followers.

D. Marketing Report

Jacquelyn Gibson

Director of Marketing and Corporate Partnerships Jackie Gibson started with a story out of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee where one of the students ended up meeting their college roommate on the committee. The Academic Awards program only had 359 individual student athletes nominated. This program should include a male and female athlete from every school. Academic Award teams can now purchase patches from JL Custom Jackets and Patches, a new patch available this year. The Academic Awards ceremony will be at Angels Stadium on Monday, April 20 and for the first time, we get to honor STUNT. Ball contract negotiations are going very well. Just closed Wilson, negotiating an almost 28% increase from the last contract. This also includes new autograph balls for the championship teams of the contracted sports. They are also donating golf balls for our Champions for Character Golf Tournament. This is why the ball surveys are so important to help us negotiate these contracts.

The Committee entered closed session at 2:13 p.m.

6. CLOSED SESSION

A. Public Employee Evaluation of Performance – (Government Code 54957):

1. Commissioner’s Evaluation

7. REPORT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The Committee returned from closed session at 2:30 p.m. There was no action taken during the closed session.

8. REPORTS

A. President's Report

Dr. Paula Hart Rodas

President Dr. Paula Hart Rodas talked about loving the work we do here and all of us are here because we know the importance of athletics to our students. The Washington Post had a story stating that athletes are more likely to attend school, a survey found. A positive environment equals more students participating in athletics and a growing overall school participation is all school events. Thank you for your work and keep it up!

B. Treasurer's Report

Rich Imbriani

Treasurer Rich Imbriani gave the treasurer's report that appears at the end of these minutes.

C. Commissioner's Report

Mike West

Commissioner of Athletics Mike West thanked the entire office – collaboration, hours spent outside office hours, the reputation falls on those across the room from me and I thank you! Program Coordinator Kristine Trost will retire on August 7. We will be bringing five new employees on board for the next few months, if the budget passes. Communications Assistant Alex Lagos will be moving into Assistant Commissioners Jerry DeFabiis's department and Program Coordinator Brenda Bomgaar will be moving into the Executive Assistant position working with Commission Mike West. We hope all positions will start on or around July 1. We have been looking at possibilities for our building situation and if the budget passes, we will move forward, looking for a possible new office or the reconfiguration of our current building. The Student Athlete Advisory Committee had a great end of the year celebration. Unified Sports will be holding events during our track and swim championships. Check the website for further information. The Inaugural STUNT championships are scheduled for May 2 at Brea Olinda High School. Please come and participate in the 20th Champions for Character Golf Tournament on June 15.

C. Executive Committee Member Reports

There were no reports from the members of the Executive Committee.

9. ADVANCE PLANNING

A. DATES

1. April 16, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Council Meeting, The Grand Conference Center, Long Beach, CA, 9:00 a.m.
2. May 12, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Executive Committee Meeting, Parker's Lighthouse, Long Beach, CA 1:00 p.m.
3. August 5, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Executive Committee Meeting, CIF Southern Section Offices, Los Alamitos, CA 1:00 p.m.
4. September 17, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Executive Committee Meeting, CIF Southern Section Offices, Los Alamitos, CA 1:00 p.m.
5. September 24, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Council Meeting, The Grand Conference Center, Long Beach, CA 9:00 a.m.

B. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS

There were no items suggested for the next agenda.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion and a second to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Submitted by:



Sharon Hodge
Executive Assistant

Approved by:



Mike West
Commissioner of Athletics

Council Voting Report

| First Name | Last Name | Keypad | Adopt Agenda Vote – April 14, 2026 | Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2026 | STATE 686 – Proposed 2026-27 CIF State Budget | STATE 687 – CIF State Executive Committee Nominations | STATE 688 – Proposed Revision to Bylaws 1505/2804 | STATE 689 – Proposed 2026-27 CIF-SS Budget | SS 690 – CIF-SS Executive Committee Nominations | SS - 691– Proposed Revision to Bylaw 144 – Playoff Splits | SS - 692– Proposed Revision to Bylaw 3514.1 – At Large Football | 5A1 – 2024-25 CIF Southern Section Audit |
|--------------------------|------------|--------|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|--|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| Jamal | Adams | 1 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dr. Alexis | Barile | 2 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Terry | Barnum | 3 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mitch | Brunyer | 4 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Rob | Dearborn | 5 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Ann | Fitzgerald | 6 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Gil | Gomez | 7 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Mary Jane | Hibbard | 8 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Demetre | Howard | 9 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Rich | Imbriani | 10 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Kai | Lyles | 11 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Matt | Maeda | 12 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| David | Parkes | 13 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Mary | Perez | 14 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Jim | Perry | 15 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dr. Paula Hart | Rodas | 16 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Alicia | Seevers | 17 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Cari | Strange | 18 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Suzie | Swartz | 19 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Reggie | Thompkins | 20 | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Total 1 = Yes | | | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| Total 2 = No | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total 3 = Abstain | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Voters | | | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| Total Yes + No | | | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| % Yes | | | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| % No | | | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Pass Threshold | | | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% |
| Pass/Fail | | | Pass | Pass | Pass | Pass | Pass | Pass | Pass | Pass | Pass | Pass |

C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION
Financial Report: Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
July 2025 through June 2026
April 14, 2026

| Ordinary Income/Expense | Jul '25 - Jun 26 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Income | | | | |
| BASEBALL | 0 | 74,000 | (74,000) | Spring championships |
| BASKETBALL | 1,150,035 | 1,150,000 | 35 | |
| CHEER | 100,405 | 59,000 | 41,405 | |
| CROSS COUNTRY | 108,959 | 110,000 | (1,041) | |
| FOOTBALL | 2,022,982 | 2,119,000 | (96,018) | |
| GOLF | 53,450 | 99,000 | (45,550) | Spring championships |
| LACROSSE | 0 | 24,900 | (24,900) | Spring championships |
| SOCCER | 152,301 | 158,000 | (5,699) | |
| SOFTBALL | 0 | 47,500 | (47,500) | Spring championships |
| SWIMMING & DIVING | 0 | 63,500 | (63,500) | Spring championships |
| TENNIS | 8,080 | 16,000 | (7,920) | Spring championships |
| TRACK & FIELD | 0 | 134,000 | (134,000) | Spring championships |
| VOLLEYBALL | 336,812 | 539,000 | (202,188) | Spring championships |
| WATER POLO | 45,283 | 58,000 | (12,717) | |
| WRESTLING | 219,963 | 179,000 | 40,963 | |
| APPAREL | 110,000 | 175,000 | (65,000) | Spring championships |
| FRIENDS OF GOLF | 0 | 47,000 | (47,000) | Not yet received |
| INTEREST | 182,590 | 109,000 | 73,590 | Apr-Jun upcoming |
| PUBLICATIONS | 30,053 | 69,000 | (38,947) | Ongoing |
| SPECIAL EVENTS | 145,106 | 129,000 | 16,106 | |
| SPORTS FEES | 1,083,900 | 1,049,000 | 34,900 | |
| SUPPORT INCOME | 1,195,945 | 1,450,000 | (254,055) | In kind to be reported |
| TV -WEB - RADIO RIGHTS | 228,964 | 599,000 | (370,036) | Final partnership \$ June |
| CHAMPIONS FOR CHARACTER | 21,520 | 79,000 | (57,480) | Golf tournament |
| OTHER INCOME | 100 | 0 | 100 | |
| Total Income | 7,196,448 | 8,536,900 | (1,340,452) | |
| Cost of Goods Sold | | | | |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 24,851 | 54,100 | (29,249) | |
| Total COGS | 24,851 | 54,100 | (29,249) | |
| Gross Profit | 7,171,597 | 8,482,800 | (1,311,203) | |
| Expense | | | | |
| BASEBALL EXPENSE | 700 | 60,000 | (59,300) | Spring championships |
| BASKETBALL EXPENSE | 389,297 | 780,000 | (390,703) | Splits to be distributed |
| CHEER EXPENSE | 72,265 | 20,000 | 52,265 | |
| CROSS COUNTRY EXPENSE | 83,364 | 77,000 | 6,364 | |
| FOOTBALL EXPENSE | 1,364,244 | 1,280,000 | 84,244 | |
| GOLF EXPENSE | 70,922 | 122,500 | (51,578) | Spring championships |
| LACROSSE EXPENSE | 5,976 | 18,908 | (12,932) | Spring championships |
| SOCCER EXPENSE | 45,252 | 51,000 | (5,748) | |
| SOFTBALL EXPENSE | 4 | 32,000 | (31,996) | Spring championships |
| SWIMMING EXPENSE | 1,623 | 64,000 | (62,377) | Spring championships |

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| | Jul '25 - Jun 26 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| TENNIS EXPENSE | 4,898 | 34,000 | (29,102) | Spring championships |
| TRACK & FIELD EXPENSE | 862 | 93,000 | (92,138) | Spring championships |
| VOLLEYBALL EXPENSE | 257,533 | 433,500 | (175,967) | Spring championships |
| WATER POLO EXPENSE | 32,988 | 26,000 | 6,988 | |
| WRESTLING EXPENSE | 197,559 | 190,000 | 7,559 | |
| AREA LIAISONS | 48,498 | 48,500 | (2) | |
| AUDITOR | 26,000 | 34,500 | (8,500) | Pending tax return |
| AWARDS | 35,122 | 90,000 | (54,878) | Spring championships |
| BANK SERVICE CHARGES | 3,163 | 4,100 | (937) | Ongoing |
| BUILDING MAINTENANCE | 26,596 | 33,500 | (6,904) | Ongoing |
| COUNCIL | 75,877 | 70,000 | 5,877 | Ongoing |
| DEPRECIATION EXPENSE | 0 | 85,000 | (85,000) | At fiscal year end |
| DONATIONS | 6,500 | 50,000 | (43,500) | Friends of Golf |
| GENERAL OFFICE | 24,729 | 40,000 | (15,271) | Ongoing |
| INSURANCE | 24,877 | 28,000 | (3,123) | Ongoing |
| INVESTMENT EXPENSE | 4,900 | 9,500 | (4,600) | Ongoing |
| LEGAL EXPENSE | 1,099 | 3,000 | (1,901) | Ongoing |
| MAJOR MEDICAL | 419,920 | 503,803 | (83,883) | Ongoing |
| MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE | 13,881 | 14,000 | (119) | |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES | 34,595 | 45,000 | (10,405) | Ongoing |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES - SMALL EQUIP. | 323 | 1,000 | (677) | Ongoing |
| OFFICE TRAVEL | 37,323 | 65,000 | (27,677) | Ongoing |
| PAYROLL TAXES | 725,647 | 893,560 | (167,913) | Ongoing |
| POSTAGE/UPS | 16,693 | 15,500 | 1,193 | Ongoing |
| PRESS/MEDIA | 55,306 | 35,000 | 20,306 | Ongoing |
| PRINTING/DUPLICATING | 13,343 | 17,000 | (3,657) | Ongoing |
| PROFESSIONAL GROWTH | 0 | 1,000 | (1,000) | Ongoing |
| PROGRAM EXPENSE | 2,259 | 600 | 1,659 | |
| PUBLICATIONS EXPENSE | 27,212 | 25,000 | 2,212 | |
| PUBLICATIONS WASTE | 0 | 4,900 | (4,900) | Ongoing |
| SALARIES | 1,827,090 | 2,358,329 | (531,239) | Ongoing |
| SALES/USE TAX EXPENSE | 804 | 2,100 | (1,296) | Ongoing |
| SPECIAL EVENTS EXPENSE | 112,932 | 125,000 | (12,068) | |
| SUPPORT/MARKETING EXPENSE | 21,888 | 249,000 | (227,112) | In kind to be reported |
| TAXES - GENERAL | 1,307 | 2,000 | (693) | |
| TV TO SCHOOLS | 0 | 190,000 | (190,000) | At fiscal year end |
| UTILITIES | 9,993 | 12,000 | (2,007) | Ongoing |
| CHAMPIONS FOR CHARACTER EXPENSE | 25,449 | 70,000 | (44,551) | Golf tournament |
| WEBSITE TECHNOLOGY | 65,803 | 75,000 | (9,197) | Ongoing |
| Total Expense | 6,216,617 | 8,482,800 | (2,266,183) | |
| Net Ordinary Income | 954,981 | 0 | 954,981 | |
| Net Income | 954,981 | 0 | 954,981 | |



2025-2026 CIF Southern Section Goals Report

Mike West, Commissioner of Athletics

During the 2025–2026 school year, the CIF Southern Section made progress on several priorities, including refinement of the same-season data playoff system, stronger engagement with small schools, renegotiation of sport-specific ball contracts, proposed revision of the Financial Policy, and continued development of the Student Athlete Advisory Council. In addition, the office made progress on several long-range priorities related to section governance, communication, media rights, facilities, student opportunities, and the enhancement of operational procedures.

This report reviews progress made toward the goals established for the 2025–2026 school year and highlights additional initiatives undertaken by the CIF Southern Section office.

1. Continue to Enhance the Same-Season Data Playoff System

- The second year of implementing same-season data to establish playoff divisions was completed successfully across all affected sports.
- Targeted refinements were made to the first-year algorithms in several sports in order to improve accuracy, transparency, and competitive balance.
- Examples explaining how divisions are established have been added to sport-specific pages on the CIF Southern Section website and/or included in Playoff Bulletins.
- Regular reminders were sent to member schools emphasizing the importance of maintaining accurate schedules and scores throughout the season.
- Commissioner’s messages further clarified how the year-two system differs from the two years preceding implementation.
- Available data indicates that the competitive equity model is producing closer and more competitive playoff contests on average.

2. Improve Communication and Connection with Small School Membership

- A CIF Southern Section Small Schools Committee was established, consisting of athletic directors from across the Section who represent and understand the needs of the small school community.
- A Small Schools survey was conducted to assess whether current CIF Southern Section services are meeting member needs and to identify opportunities for improvement.
- The Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners attended numerous Small School league meetings during the second half of the school year.
- A small-school focused topic is planned for inclusion in the 2026 Athletic Administrators Summit.

3. Re-negotiate Ball Contracts for Every Eligible Sport

- Ball contracts with Mikasa (boys and girls indoor volleyball), Rawlings (baseball and softball), and KAP7 (boys and girls water polo) have been renewed and signed.

- Contracts with Wilson (boys and girls basketball, girls flag football, football, boys and girls soccer, and girls beach volleyball) and Penn (boys and girls tennis) remain under negotiation.
- Following the feedback gathered through the official ball survey distributed to all member schools last year, the official softball model will change while the Section remains aligned with Rawlings as the official provider.

4. Revise and update the CIF Southern Section - Financial Policy

- A proposal to amend Bylaw 144 – Financial Policy was scheduled for Executive Committee action on April 14 and Council action on April 16.
- If approved, the revised model for hosted tackle football, basketball, and volleyball playoff contests will distribute gross revenue, less officials’ fees, as follows: 40% host school, 23% visiting school, and 37% CIF Southern Section.
- Under the revised model, host schools would maintain responsibility for game-related expenses, visitors would remain responsible for travel expenses, and the previous expense-reporting requirement to the CIF Southern Section would be eliminated.

5. Establish and Enhance a Student Athlete Advisory Council

- Three meetings of the Student Athlete Advisory Council were held during the 2025–2026 school year.
- Student members supported section championship events through medal presentations, event assistance, and social media participation.
- Student perspectives on a variety of education-based athletics issues were gathered and shared with the Commissioner.
- Planning is underway to expand CIF-sponsored student leadership opportunities at the school-site, district, and Southern Section levels in future years.

Ongoing Initiatives, Projects, and Programs

In addition to the priority goals above, the CIF Southern Section continued to address, maintain, or monitor the following initiatives during the 2025–2026 school year:

| Initiative | Progress / Status |
|---------------------|---|
| Transfer Integrity | Improved identification of fraudulent paperwork submitted in support of Valid Change of Residence transfers. |
| Media Rights | Continued negotiation of an updated Media Rights Agreement with the NFHS Network and Spectrum Communications. |
| Facilities Planning | Advanced planning related to renovation of the current CIF Southern Section office or relocation to a new |

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| | facility, contingent upon adoption of the 2026–2027 budget. |
| Unified Sports | Launched the first Unified Sports Flag Football Tournament co-sponsored by the CIF Southern Section and the Special Olympics of Southern California. |
| Artificial Intelligence | Began exploring the potential use of artificial intelligence to assist in the processing and evaluation of transfer matters. |
| Institutional History | Produced <i>The History of the CIF Southern Section</i> video and hosted a premiere showing for invited guests. Officially announced that, beginning in the 2026–27 school year, the CIF Southern Section Masters Wrestling Tournament will be renamed the CIF Southern Section – Dr. John S. Dahlem Masters Wrestling Tournament. |
| Championship Expansion | Organized and implemented the first CIF Southern Section STUNT Championship at Brea Olinda High School. |
| Signature Events | Hosted the Open Division CIF Southern Section Football Championship at the Rose Bowl for the second time in four years. |
| Professional Outreach | Presented at the California Activities Directors Association annual meeting in Reno regarding best practices for establishing and managing a student section at athletic contests. |
| Releaguings | Completed a four-year releaguings process and managed appeals for several Orange County schools. |

Continuing Strategic Focus Areas

The following items remain continuing areas of focus for the CIF Southern Section office and should guide planning and action into 2026–2027:

1. Enhance communication among the CIF Southern Section office, member schools, and the Executive Committee.
2. Maintain and strengthen title sponsorships, media rights, and linear television agreements.
3. Maintain and enhance the CIFSSHome 2.0 platform for member schools.
4. Implement and/or ratify new rules changes in a timely and well-communicated manner.
5. Provide meaningful professional growth opportunities for member schools and athletic administrators.
6. Maintain fiscal responsibility for both member schools and the Section office.
7. Continue to examine issues involving public and private schools.
8. Promote and support officials' recruitment, retention, and recognition.
9. Explore additional opportunities for student participation in a variety of settings.
10. Work cooperatively with the CIF State office and the other nine CIF sections.

11. Expand relationships with the National Federation of State High School Associations.

Conclusion. The 2025–2026 school year reflected measurable progress on several major strategic priorities while also advancing a broad range of operational and programmatic initiatives. Collectively, these efforts support the CIF Southern Section’s commitment to competitive equity, service to member schools, sound governance, fiscal responsibility, and an improved student-athlete experience.

C. I. F. SOUTHERN SECTION
Treasurer's Report
Executive Committee Meeting
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I. CIF-SS ANNUAL AUDIT (2024-25):

- A. Windes concluded audit fieldwork, financial statements and final readout.
 - 1. Audit Committee and Executive Committee to accept audit today.
 - 2. Final 990 non-profit tax return will be final step.

II. CURRENT PROFIT & LOSS (2025-26):

- A. Revenue: \$7,196,448 (includes accounts receivables).
- B. Expenses: \$6,241,468
- C. Net Profit: \$954,981

NOTE #1: Winter profit splits/expenses not yet distributed and Spring playoffs yet to occur (and spring is the lightest financial season).

NOTE #2: Off \$291K to prior year at April 14.

III. INVESTMENT RESERVES:

- A. Current balance at 4/14/2026: \$4,108,357.
- B. Interest & dividend **gain** of \$16,353 in fiscal 2025-26 thus far.

IV. CIF SOUTHERN SECTION FUN FACT:

- A. What is the average years of service across the CIF-SS staff of 17?
 - 1. 11 years of service
 - 2. Sharon Hodge: 37 years
 - 3. Chelsea Olson: 0.27 years

Prepared by:
MITCH CARTY, Chief Financial Officer