



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: May 8, 2012

TITLE: Recognition of Tim Derksen – Gatorade State Player of the Year - Basketball

BACKGROUND: Tim Derksen - Gatorade Player of the Year

THE BASICS

School: Amphitheater (Tucson, Ariz.)

Grade: Senior

Position: Point guard

Height: 6-foot-4

Weight: 185 pounds

THE PILLARS

Athletic achievement: Derksen averaged 22.6 points, 11.3 rebounds, 5.5 assists and 3.5 steals per game this past season, leading the Panthers (30-4) to the Division II state final. The 2011-12 Division II Arizona Basketball Coaches Association Co-Player of the Year, he helped Amphitheater to a 114-16 record as a four-year varsity starter.

Academic excellence: Derksen has maintained a 3.81 GPA in the classroom.

Exemplary character: A member of the National Honor Society, he has volunteered locally as a youth mentor and basketball coach.

THE PRAISE

“Tim Derksen is as complete a player as I’ve seen in Tucson in a long time,” said **Mike Parillo**, head coach at Mountain View (Mesa, Ariz.). “His abilities to handle the ball, rebound, defend, shoot and make his teammates better around him are a lost art with today’s high school players. He is a very unselfish player who has helped his team win a lot of basketball games throughout his four years at the varsity level.”

THE FUTURE: Derksen has signed a National Letter of Intent to play basketball on an athletic scholarship at the University of San Francisco this fall.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is presented for the Governing Board’s information and recognition.

INITIATED BY:

Patrick Nelson, Associate Superintendent

Date: May 1, 2012

Vicki Balentine, Ph.D., Superintendent