

NMAA Board Summary June 2, 2021

The New Mexico Activities Association's Board of Directors met in regular session on Wednesday, June 2nd in the NMAA Hall of Pride and Honor.

The Board of Directors elected Mr. Anthony Casados as President and Mr. Travis Dempsey as Vice President for a two-year term.

Executive Director Sally Marquez gave her Director's Report which included information on the retirements of two Board Members, a possible change to the NMAA's State Championship Trophies, and an update on the finish to the spring sports season.

Business Manager Shari Kessler-Schwamer presented the NMAA Financial Report which included information on the limited financial reports available for state championships due to the timing of these events and the current financial status of the organization.

Ms. Marquez discussed the 2021-2022 NMAA Budget with the Board of Directors. The Board voted to approve the budget as presented.

Commissioner of Officials Dana Pappas presented the NMAA Activities Report which included information pertaining to the many virtual events that took place in 2020-2021, the Student Leadership Advisory Council, and the upcoming Activities Council Annual Meeting set for the Fall.

Ms. Pappas presented the New Mexico Officials Association Report which included information regarding the percentage drop in officials' numbers for 2020-2021, recruitment and retention, game coverage and help from assignors/ADs, educational webinars, constitutional and bylaw reviews, and elections for various committees/boards.

Ms. Marquez presented four discussion items which included information regarding 8th grade scholastic eligibility, summer camps/workouts for 2021, boarding school student eligibility, and classification & alignment for the 2022-2024 block.

The Board of Directors took action on the following items.

- Voted in favor of a proposal to hold the State Soccer Quarterfinals & Semifinals at host school sites, with only the Finals to be held in a centralized location.
- Voted in favor of a proposal to change the maximum number of runners for the Pre-State Meet in the sport of Cross Country.
- Voted in favor of a proposal to require football coaches to submit film to the NMAA for officials' training/education.
- Voted in favor of a proposal to adjust the calendar for 2A football so that brackets are released on the same day as Class 3A-6A.

The Board of Directors approved a contract extension for Executive Director, Sally Marquez, through the 2023-2024 school year.

Mr. Parks stated that due to Ms. Dodd's retirement, her seat as the NMAA's At-Large Board Member would be open and Mr. Casados will appoint the new member at a later date.

The next NMAA Board of Directors' meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2021.