

# NMAA

## Commission Meeting



Wednesday, November 15, 2023  
NMAA  
9:00 AM



# New Mexico Activities Association Commission Updated July 2023



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*Note: The terms of the elected representatives to the NMAA Commission shall be three years. The initial term lengths are staggered to provide continuity on the Commission. Subsequent terms are for three years for the elected position.*



## NEW MEXICO ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION COMMISSION MEETING



*NMAA - Hall of Pride and Honor  
November 15, 2023, 9:00 AM*

### AGENDA

**A= Action Item**

**D/I= Discussion/ Information Item**

- I. Call Meeting to Order and Welcome**  
*Roll Call – Ascertain Quorum*  
**(A)** Approval of Agenda *Alissa Wesbrook, Asst. to Exec. Dir.*  
**(A)** Approval of Minutes (September 6, 2023) *Gary Allison, Chair*
- II. NMAA Director's Report** *Dusty Young, Associate Director*
- III. NMAA Activities Report** *Dusty Young, Associate Director*
- IV. New Mexico Officials Association Report** *Zac Stevenson, Comm. of Officials*
- V. Discussion/ Informational Items**  
**(D/I)** Sportsmanship Update *Gary Allison, Chair*  
**(D/I) Basketball:** Shot Clock *Sally Marquez, Executive Director*  
**(D/I)** Tryouts & Practice *Sally Marquez, Executive Director*  
**(D/I)** Membership Dues *Sally Marquez, Executive Director*  
**(D/I)** Classification & Alignment *Sally Marquez, Executive Director*
- VI. Action Items**  
**(A)** Marching Band as a Sanctioned Activity *Sally Marquez, Executive Director*  
**(A)** Forfeiture Fee Adjustments *Sally Marquez, Executive Director*  
**(A) Eligibility:** Summer School Courses *Sally Marquez, Executive Director*  
**(A) Officials Fees:** Powerlifting *Zac Stevenson, Comm. of Officials*  
**(A) Officials Fees:** Wrestling, Spirit, Swimming, Track *Zac Stevenson, Comm. of Officials*  
**(A) Track & Field:** Coaches as Meet Officials *Chris Kedge, Assistant Director*  
**(A) Tennis:** State Tournament Seeding *Scott Owen, Assistant Director*
- VII. Consider Adjournment**

***Next Commission Meeting – February 14, 2023 (NMAA)***

## **NMAA Commission Meeting**

September 6, 2023 @ 9:00 AM

Hall of Pride and Honor

Welcome – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Gary Allison, Chairman of the Commission at 9:02 am. A roll call was conducted by Ms. Alissa Wesbrook, NMAA Assistant to the Executive Director, and the following members were present:

Mr. Ben Tensay (Large Area A)  
Mr. Gary Allison (Small Area A)  
Mr. Robert Arreola (Large, Area B)  
Mr. Dickie Roybal (Small, Area B)  
Ms. Karen Nougues (Large, Area C)  
Mr. Jory Mirabal (Small, Area C)  
Ms. Ann Stewart (Large, Area D)  
Ms. Robbie Robinson (Small Area D)  
Mr. Thomas Mabrey (New Mexico High School Coaches Association)  
Mr. Isaac Gamboa (New Mexico High School Athletic Directors Association)  
Mr. Scott Affentranger (New Mexico Association of Secondary School Principals)  
Mr. Jess Martinez (New Mexico Officials Association)  
Ms. Linda Montoya (State School Boards Association)  
Mr. Adrian Pete (Jr. High/Middle School Committee)  
Mr. Willie Owens (Non-Public Schools) *\*joined after approval of minutes*  
Ms. Mary Hahn (Activities Council) *\*joined after approval of minutes*

14 members were present representing a quorum. Two more joined after the approval of the minutes.

### **Approval of Agenda:**

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Stewart made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Pete seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (14-0).

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2023, Commission Meeting as presented. Ms. Montoya made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Stewart seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (14-0).

*Ms. Hahn and Mr. Owens joined the meeting.*

### **NMAA Director's Report:**

Mr. Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director, presented the Director's Report. He discussed six (6) items on his report: 1) reported that fall sports have begun and are going well; 2) welcomed to the Commission, Mr. Isaac Gamboa from Farmington Schools representing the NMADA, and Mr. Robert Arreola, representing Large Area A from Lovington High School; 3) stated registration for the NMAA/NMADA Fall Conference has been posted and the event will take place September 24-25 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Albuquerque; 4) reported that elections for open Commission and Board of Directors seats will take place in October after the Fall Conference; open positions on the Commission include Large Area A, Small Area D, and Non-Public Schools and on the Board of Directors for Large A, Large C, and Small D; 5) provided information pertaining to the NMAA Foundation scholarship and school grant/support programs; 6) stated that Mr. Mark Geiger, Legal Counsel for the NMAA for the past 25+ year, passed away earlier in the week.

### **NMAA Financial Report**

Ms. Shari Kessler-Schwaner, NMAA Business Manager, presented the financial report. She discussed two (2) items on her report: 1) She presented the financial reports for the 2022-2023 school year; and 2) reviewed the 2022-2023 ticket sales.

### **NMAA Activities Report:**

Ms. Tammy Richards, NMAA Assistant Director, presented the activities report. She discussed four (4) items on her report: 1) stated the Annual Activities Council Meeting was held at the NMAA on September 5<sup>th</sup>; 2)

reported that most activities saw an increase in participant numbers over the last year and these groups are now targeting middle school students to help continue this trend; 3) stated that State One Act Play / Drama will take place in the fall, with all other state events set for the spring semester; and 4) provided information regarding the success of the student leadership regional meetings that have started and will continue over the next few weeks. Mr. Mabrey asked about current leadership training opportunities for activities directors and coaches/sponsors and the possibility of including sessions for this during next year's collaborative summer conference; feedback supported this idea. Ms. Hahn reported to the group that Rio Rancho HS will host the National Student Leadership Conference in 2024.

#### **New Mexico Officials Association Report:**

Mr. Zac Stevenson, NMAA Commissioner of Officials, presented the NMOA report. He discussed eight (8) items on his report: 1) thanked assignors, athletic directors, and officials for the collaborative work that has been done to cover games to start the year; 2) reported on official numbers which show an increase in most sports again this year, but noted they are still down from pre- COVID; 3) provided an update on the recruitment initiatives underway by schools, officials groups, and the NMAA; 4) stated that Regional Coordinator meetings are again being held and have been successful as officials and schools try to adapt schedules to ensure coverage; 5) provided information regarding the new "Travel Ring" payment system and tutorials available regarding this process; 6) stated that 2023-2024 is a bylaws review year for the NMOA and that officials advancement policies would be a point of emphasis; 7) reported on the Ref Reps officials education initiative; and 8) stated that the NMAA will be pushing coach feedback on officials after each contest and described possible updates to the state tournament selection process that might include school personnel as a part of the committee. Ms. Nougues & Ms. Stewart stated that there is still quite a bit of confusion regarding some of the specifics with the new Travel Rings. Mr. Martinez echoed these comments. Mr. Stevenson stated that it was still a work in progress but assured the group that the NMAA will continue to work with schools and officials to provide solutions.

#### **Discussion/Informational Items:**

**Officials Fees - Consistency by Sport:** Mr. Stevenson discussed the need to review officials' fees for all-day events versus single game contests. This would include fees for officials in the sports of Track & Field, Spirit, Wrestling, and Swimming & Diving. Feedback included doubling these fees or using an hourly rate model to ensure the individuals working these events receive comparable compensation. Mr. Mabrey also suggested looking at the use of certified coaches for Track & Field as was done many years ago – the group supported this, and the NMAA will explore the possibility moving forward.

**Football: State Playoff Officials' Assignments -** Mr. Stevenson discussed the constraints that are in place when it comes to assigning officials to state playoff football games based on the region of each school. He stated that it has become much more difficult to assign officials this way based on limited availability of state level officials in each region and the travel required for many of these individuals when using this process. He proposed using officials from the host school's region but ensuring that these individuals are not from the host school's city. Mr. Mabrey stated that using officials from the same region as the host school would not be supported by coaches. The group also discussed true conflicts of interest versus perception of "home-town" officials.

**Classification and Alignment -** Ms. Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, stated the proposal for the 2024-2026 Classification and Alignment of Schools will be presented at the Board of Director meeting in late November. She reported that the NMAA office has final 80-day counts for the previous two school years but is still waiting for 40-day counts for the current year which will be certified by the PED soon. She also provided information regarding the NMAA's intent to keep the same five classification (seven in football) system and enrollment thresholds in place for 2024-2026, but noted that a non-success factor will be proposed in the sport of football. Mr. Young added that the NMAA will look to increase district sizes in football to help with the scheduling issues that have occurred in this sport in recent years.

**Appeals Process -** Ms. Marquez discussed the current appeals process and possible updates that would add the use of a retired judge or independent hearing officer. More information and a possible proposal to update NMAA bylaws for 2024-2025 will be forthcoming at a future Commission meeting.

Specialized Sports Training & Did Not Participate - Ms. Marquez discussed the new specialized sports training bylaw and stated that the NMAA may need to update verbiage or add Q & As to this section of the handbook in an effort to clarify the rule.

Sanctions for Dropping Games/Tournaments - Ms. Marquez discussed concerns with the dropping of games/tournaments which causes scheduling issues for the opposing school(s). She asked how the NMAA can better assist in this area. Feedback included the consistent use of forfeiture fee sanctions to ensure accountability with schools that are not honoring contracts.

Scholastic Eligibility: Summer Schools Courses - Ms. Marquez discussed the bylaw regarding summer school make up classes needing to be the exact same course. This has raised some concerns due to limited offerings during the summer - i.e. AP English versus English. Feedback was mixed between leaving things as is and adjusting the bylaw so that it could be any similar course since it is accepted for graduation by the school.

Eligibility: Semesters of Attendance - Ms. Marquez discussed a situation where an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student does not participate at the high school level, then drops out of school the next year, and comes back as a 9<sup>th</sup> grader after a year off from school. Current bylaws state that a 9<sup>th</sup> grader's "semesters of attendance clock" does not start until the student first participates at the high school level. The NMAA suggested that this should be adjusted so that only four years of participation would be granted to a student that is not retained as an 8<sup>th</sup> grader. Feedback supported this adjustment.

#### **Action Items:**

Advertising/Sponsorship Bylaws - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal to update bylaws to include marijuana as a restricted product to be marketed or advertised during NMAA sanctioned events. Bylaw 7.7.5 Advertising shall read as follows: Liquor, tobacco, or marijuana advertising will not be included in any advertising related to an athletic/non-athletic event sponsored or sanctioned by the Association. Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Affentranger made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Pete seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

Officials Fees: State Playoffs - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal to modify current officials' fees for state playoff level contests/events. Mr. Allison asked for a motion to amend the current proposal to a \$100 flat fee for baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball, and volleyball, and \$50 for line judging and tabling the proposal for Wrestling, Track and Field, Swimming and Diving and Spirit which will be brought back to the November meeting. Ms. Robinson made the motion to approve the amended proposal. Ms. Hahn seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

Wrestling: Regional Seeding & Wildcard Limitations - Mr. Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director, presented a proposal that in order to be eligible for a regional seed or a state wildcard, wrestlers must have at least 25% of their season's total varsity matches at the weight class entered at the regional tournament. Mr. Allison asked for a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Mr. Affentranger made the motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Stewart seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

#### **Consider Adjournment:**

Mr. Allison asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 a.m. Ms. Hahn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Martinez seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. (16-0).

**Next Commission Meeting- November 15, 2023 (NMAA)**

# New Mexico Activities Association

## Commission Meeting – November 15, 2023



### DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### Presenter:

Sally Marquez, Executive Director

#### **PARTICIPATION LIMITS (Bylaw 6.13)**

##### **6.13.1 Season/Championship Limit**

- A. A Senior High Student is eligible for no more than four (4) seasons in any sport unless that student participated at the senior high level during his/her 8th grade year in which he/she is eligible for no more than five (5) seasons. A Junior High/Middle School Student shall not participate for more than three (3) seasons in a given sport, regardless of circumstances (7th, 8th, and 9th for junior high and/or 6th, 7th and 8th for middle schools).
- B. A Student is limited to one (1) season per school year in a specific sport. This applies to Students transferring from another state where the season may have already occurred in that sport.
- C. It shall be considered a season of participation ~~in that sport~~ when a student participates in an NMAA sanctioned competition, at any level, in that sport, ~~has practiced at that school for five (5) or more days after the official practice start date.~~ (See Appendices for definitions of participant, participation, and practice.)
- D. Students who transfer after participating in tryouts or five (5) days of practice after the official practice start date will be ineligible for varsity participation ~~at any the level~~ in that sport at the new school for the remainder of the school year.

#### **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

<u>Current</u>		<u>Potential Increase</u>
5A	\$7293	\$7800
4A	\$6859	\$7300
3A	\$5456	\$6000
2A	\$2794	\$3300
A	\$2519	\$3000
MS		\$500

# **New Mexico Activities Association**

## **Commission Meeting – November 15, 2023**



### **MARCHING BAND AS A SANCTIONED ACTIVITY**

☒ Action Item                      ☐ Referenda Item  
☐ Discussion Item                      ☒ Non-Referenda Item

#### **Presenter:**

Sally Marquez, Executive Director

#### **Proposal:**

Consider approving Marching Band as an NMAA Sanctioned Activity.

#### **Rationale:**

The NMAA currently sanctions concert band and choir. Marching band has always been a logical choice to sanction; however, previous band directors were not in favor of conforming to the NMAA Classification system for schools. The thought has changed as the partnership between the NMMEA and the NMAA has grown.

**Budget Impact:** There should be no change in budget as schools participating currently have a marching band.

**NMAA Staff Recommendation:** Approve

#### **Attachments:**

NMMEA Proposal





## ***State Marching Band Contest Proposal***

### Objective

The Board of Directors of the New Mexico Music Educators Association (NMMEA) is suggesting the launch of a collaborative State Marching Band Contest, co-sponsored by NMAA and NMMEA.

### Rationale

While New Mexico has a state concert band contest, NM does not currently have a state sanctioned marching band contest. A state marching band contest is an event a majority of states offer. A state marching band contest would not only provide an exciting event for participants and spectators but also promote a sense of camaraderie and collaboration among students and educators across the state. Additionally, such an event will provide a positive and educational competitive experience for directors and students while also elevating student achievement and growth in school band programs.

This fall, NMMEA surveyed all high school band directors. Over 60% are in favor of participating in a state sanctioned marching contest and all were overwhelmingly in support of partnering with NMAA. Partnering with NMAA enhances the validity, support, and notoriety of a state contest in the eyes of directors and administrators.

### Logistics

#### ***Location***

Partner with a centrally located high school in the Albuquerque and surrounding metro area to host the event. As a marching contest requires a considerable workforce, it would be paramount that the partner school have a well-organized band booster program to provide concessions as well as volunteers to assist with running the operations of the contest such as ticketing, band guides, judge runners, etc.



## *Timing*

Ideally, the contest would be held in late October. NMMEA would communicate with other contest stakeholders to ensure a date that is beneficial to a well-attended event.

## *Administrative Workload*

As this contest would occur during the fall and require a large workforce, NMMEA understands that NMAA would not have adequate human resources to run such an event, therefore NMMEA would handle all the administration and logistics of the contest.

- NMMEA has a Marching Band Contest Advisory Committee in place to guide planning and procedures.
- NMMEA would ask for NMAA assistance in securing a venue.
- NMMEA would take care of contest planning and be the point of contact for partnering site host.
- NMAA would provide official State Champion trophies and or banners and if need be cost would come from contest revenue.

## *Costs/Revenue*

After expenses of the contest are paid, any remaining revenue from admission and registration fees would be split between NMMEA and the site host's music program in an agreeable percentage.

## Specifics

### *Adjudication/Scoring*

- NMMEA will develop and provide a rubric and score breakdown that will be educationally balanced and reward high achievement in music.
- NMMEA will compile a list of adjudicators who are educational leaders in the marching band activity, bringing a much-needed current perspective to New Mexico bands.
- At the initial introduction of a contest, no qualifier will be needed to attend; however, subsequent years, contest committee will reconsider a qualifier.



## *Classification*

- Following NMAA's classification, bands would compete by school size.
- Results would be recognized in each classification as an NMAA State Championship.
- All participating students would be required to meet NMAA eligibility.

## Long Term Benefits

Our state is currently facing a challenging situation. Due to many unfortunate scheduling conflicts this season (due to lack of communication and awareness between contest coordinators), students are missing out on valuable performance opportunities, which, in turn, is limiting the amount of public exposure programs are receiving.

- Measurable growth in band programs across the state.
- Visible growth in quality of band programs throughout NM.
- Alignment of educational goals of programs throughout the state using similar rubrics and scoring methods.
- Enhanced communication with various alternative contest stakeholders.

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### FORFEITURE FEE ADJUSTMENTS

☒ Action Item
 ☐ Referenda Item  
☐ Discussion Item
 ☒ Non-Referenda Item

#### Presenter:

Sally Marquez, Executive Director

**Proposal:** Standardize forfeiture fees for all high school contests and update them for basketball and football.

*\*Stricken language is removed. Underlined language is added.*

#### 5.1.6 Forfeits at Senior High School Level

**B.** When schools do not have a forfeiture fee in their contract for a regular season event and cannot resolve the failure of one school to fulfill the contract, the Board has established minimum forfeiture fees as follows:

- Minimum forfeiture fees:** If not already in the contract, this applies to both regular season games and tournaments. ~~Other costs of conducting the contest, as well as lost revenues may be taken into consideration by the Director in assessing the fee owed by the school for failing to meet the obligations of the written or unwritten agreement.~~

	<u>Football</u>	<u>Basketball</u>	<u>Other Sports</u>
A, 6-Man, 8-Man	<del>\$1000</del> <u>1500</u>	\$1000	\$500
2A	<del>\$1000</del> <u>2000</u>	<del>\$1000</del> <u>1500</u>	\$500
3A	<del>\$1500</del> <u>2500</u>	<del>\$1500</del> <u>2000</u>	\$750
4A	<del>\$2000</del> <u>3000</u>	<del>\$2000</del> <u>3000</u>	\$1,000
5A	<del>\$3000</del> <u>4000</u>	<del>\$3000</del> <u>4000</u>	\$1,500
<b>6A</b>	<b><u>\$4,500</u></b>		

*NOTE – This information would also be updated in Section 3.11.4 of the NMAA Handbook*

**Rationale:** Necessary to include 6A football forfeiture fee which was previously absent from the schedule which also necessitated the amendment of the current basketball fees. Also, due to the difficulty in assessing actual losses on a game-by-game basis, removing Director consideration for additional fees and applying a standard forfeiture fee is more appropriate.

**NMAA Staff Recommendation:** Approve

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ELIGIBILITY: SUMMER SCHOOL COURSES

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<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Referenda Item

**Presenter:**

Sally Marquez, Executive Director

**Proposal:** Allow students to use summer school courses to replace spring semester courses if they earn a passing grade in at least the regular level of the same course.

*\*Stricken language is removed. Underlined language is added.*

### 6.2.4 Make-Up Class in Summer School

A Student may make up classes during summer school by earning a passing grade in ~~that exact class~~ at least the regular level of the same course from an accredited program. The new grade may be substituted for the original grade in that class providing the local school policy permits. Summer school is defined as an extension of the spring semester for that year only. If the course is to be utilized for determining a student's eligibility, it must be placed on the transcript prior to the first day of the school year.

**Rationale:** Provides additional latitude for students to gain eligibility if they fail an AP or Honors course by allowing them to replace the failed course with a passing grade in the regular level of the same course during summer school.

**NMAA Staff Recommendation:** Approve

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### OFFICIALS FEES: POWERLIFTING

☒ Action Item                      ☐ Referenda Item  
☐ Discussion Item                      ☒ Non-Referenda Item

#### Presenters:

Zac Stevenson, Commissioner of Officials  
Scott Owen, Assistant Director

**Proposal:** Approve Powerlifting Judge levels and duties and fee structure

#### Certification Levels/Duties:

- a. Head Judge
  - i. Ensure all technical rules and formats are correctly applied by the Lifters, Teams, Coaches, and Platform Judges
  - ii. Hold Pre-Meet Judges and Coaches Meetings
  - iii. Ensure the safety/legality of the equipment and any personal equipment
    - 1. Note – For a meet to be considered for state qualification, a head judge must be assigned. In absence of an assigned head judge, two (2) or more head coaches who are head judge certified, may fill this role.
- b. Platform Judge
  - i. Oversee lifting activities and regulations at the assigned platform
  - ii. Determine clean lifts and only qualify lifts to score if the lift meets the technical rules outlined in the NMAA Powerlifting Rule Book

#### Fee Schedule:

- a. Head Judge – \$100/meet plus an additional \$25/hour for every hour over 4 up to a maximum of 8 hours (\$200 max) – 1 per meet (or 2 or more head coaches who are head judge certified)
- b. Platform Judge – \$60/meet plus an additional \$15/hour for every hour over 4 up to a maximum of 8 hours (\$120 max) – 3 per platform

**Rationale:** Ensure all Powerlifting meets have a certified official present. Approval of head coaches that are head judge certified will help staff certified meets and build officiating pool.

**Budget Impact:** Depends on the number of meets a school hosts and the number of platforms at each meet. One platform would range from \$180 (minimum 4 hours) to a max of \$360 (up to 8 hours), plus a head judge of \$100 (minimum 4 hours) to a max of \$200 (up to 8 hours).

**NMAA Staff Recommendation:** Approve

#### Attachments:

NMAA Officials Fees Document

# NMAA OFFICIALS' FEES FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR



Officials are paid the following fees, plus applicable travel ring fees. **Effective July 1, 2023.**

	<b>POST-SEASON</b>	<b>VARSITY</b>	<b>JV &amp; 9th GRADE</b>	<b>JUNIOR HIGH (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>)</b>
Baseball (All Classes)	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$75.00	\$55.00	\$45.00
Basketball (All Classes)	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$75.00	\$55.00	\$45.00
Football (All Classes)	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$75.00	\$55.00	\$45.00
Soccer (All Classes)	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$65.00	\$50.00	\$40.00
Softball (All Classes)	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$40.00
Volleyball (All Classes)	<b>\$100.00</b>	\$55.00	\$45.00	\$40.00
	<b>\$50.00 LJ</b>	<b>\$27.00/pool play</b>	<b>\$22.00/pool play</b>	<b>\$19.00/pool play</b>

Wrestling (Duals)	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>
Duals - \$60/official - 1 <sup>st</sup> dual, \$25/hour after 1 <sup>st</sup> dual (max of 4 schools)				
(Tournaments)	<b>\$6.00/match</b>	<b>\$5.00/match</b>	<b>\$4.00/match</b>	<b>\$3.00/match</b>
Tournaments (5 schools or more) - \$100 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Referee, \$25/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$200 max for the day)				

Swimming & Diving (All Classes)  
**\$250/day - State Meet Referee(s)**  
**\$150/day - State Meet Stroke & Turn Judges**  
**\$100 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Referee, \$25/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$200 max for the day)**  
**\$60 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Stroke & Turn, \$15/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$120 max for the day)**  
**\$55.00 per meet - Referee**  
**\$45.00 per meet - Stroke & Turn Judges**

Powerlifting  
**\$250.00/day - State Meet Head Official**  
**\$150.00/day - State Meet Platform Judge**  
**\$100 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Head Judge, \$25/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$200 max for the day)**  
**\$60 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Platform Judge, \$15/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$120 max for the day)**

Track & Field (All Classes)  
**\$250.00/day - State Meet Referee(s)**  
**\$150.00/day - State Meet Starter(s)**  
**\$100 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Referee(s), \$25/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$200 max for the day)**  
**\$60 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Starter(s), \$15/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$120 max for the day)**  
**\$89.00 - All day meet, preliminaries and finals, track and field events for boys and girls**  
**\$61.00 - Half day meet, finals only, both track and field events for boys and girls**  
**\$77.00 - All day meet, preliminaries and finals, both track and field for boys OR girls**  
**\$61.00 - All dual, triangular and quadrangular meets**  
**\$61.00\* - Track referee only - all day meets as described above**  
**\$61.00\* - Field referee only - all day meets as described above**  
**\*Must hire both track and field referees if this format is used.**  
**\$61.00 - Additional for pre-meet seeding, heating, etc. optional if school/referee so agree)**  
**\$101.00 - Two-day meet (afternoon or evening day one, morning day two), both track and field for boys and girls**  
**\$72.00 ea. - Track referee and field referee - same format as above**

Spirit (All Classes)  
**\$100 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Referee(s), \$25/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$200 max for the day)**  
**\$80 Minimum (up to 4 hours) - Starter(s), \$20/hour for every hour over 4, up to a max of 8 hours (\$160 max for the day)**  
**\$89.00 - All Day competition - technical official**  
**\$77.00 - All Day competition - performance official**  
**\$61.00 - All Day competition - single discipline performance official**  
**\$61.00 - 1/2 Day competition - technical official**  
**\$52.00 - 1/2 Day competition - performance official**  
**\$42.00 - 1/2 Day competition - single discipline performance official**

## TRAVEL RING FEES AND HOTEL PER DIEM

Officials' expenses for regular season and play-off games/matches in all sports:

- (1) Hotel Per diem (over 150 miles one way) is \$125 per day, per official, providing the official spends the night and communicates with the host.
- (2) Each Official working the contest will receive a set rate based on the number of miles, one-way, from the Official's home to the contest site, per the following schedule:

One-Way Miles	0-25	26-50	51-100	101-150	151-200	201-250	251-300	301-350	351-400	401-450	451-500	501-550
Travel Fee	\$0	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80	\$90	\$100	\$110	\$120	\$130

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OFFICIALS FEES: WRESTLING, SPIRIT, SWIMMING, TRACK

☒ Action Item  
☐ Discussion Item

☐ Referenda Item  
☒ Non-Referenda Item

### **Presenters:**

Zac Stevenson, Commissioner of Officials

### **Proposal:**

To modify the current Officials fees for events in the sports of wrestling, spirit, swimming & diving, and track & field. Updates for state championship events in these sports will take effect immediately, while regular season updates would not be implemented until the 2024-2025 school year.

### **Rationale:**

This proposal will ensure that officials are compensated appropriately for events held in sports that are “half day or day-long” and not single games. The new fees also provide an increase consistent to that given to team sport officials.

**NMAA Staff Recommendation:** Approve

### **Attachments:**

NMAA Officials Fees Document (see previous page)



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### **TRACK & FIELD: COACHES AS MEET OFFICIALS**

☒ Action Item  
☐ Discussion Item

☒ Referenda Item  
☐ Non-Referenda Item

#### **Presenter:**

Chris Kedge, Assistant Director

#### **Proposal:**

Allow track and field coaches who are also NMOA certified, to serve as meet officials. There must be three coaches, from three different schools to certify/verify results.

Addition to Bylaw 7.22.3 M.

3. Meet referees may be coaches who are certified track officials via the NMAA/NMOA as long there are at least three coaches from three different schools at the meet who are NMOA certified and all three must agree to certify/verify the results of the meet.

#### **Rationale:**

1. Ensure all track and field meets have a certified official present.
2. Help eliminate the shortage of officials, especially during the Class A-3A State meet and District 4A-5A meets.

**Budget Impact:** N/A

**Sport Specific Committee Recommendation:** Approve

**NMAA Staff Recommendation:** Approve

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### **TENNIS: STATE TOURNAMENT SEEDING**

☒ Action Item                      ☐ Referenda Item  
☐ Discussion Item                      ☒ Non-Referenda Item

#### **Presenter:**

Scott Owen, Assistant Director

#### **Proposal:**

Increase individual state seeds (singles/doubles) from top 4 to top 6.

#### **Rationale:**

1. Rewards players on the cusp of the top 4 with a seed and ensures they are not drawn into a top 4 seed in the first round.
2. Provides more balance in the bracket by further separating the best players.
3. Has the potential to improve logistics by minimizing tight matches between top players in the early rounds.

**Budget Impact:** N/A

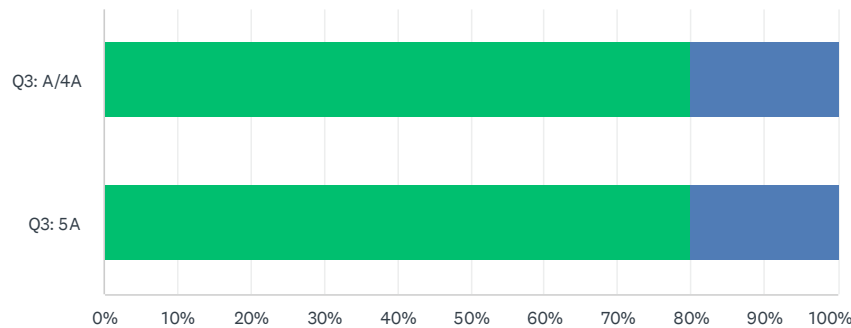
**Sport Specific Committee Recommendation:** Approve

**NMAA Staff Recommendation:** Approve

**Attachment:** Coaches Survey – 28 (80%) in favor, 7 (20%) not in favor

## Q6 Would you be in favor of increasing individual state seeds from 4 to 6?

Answered: 35 Skipped: 0



Yes

No

	YES	NO	TOTAL
Q3: A/4A	80.00% 12	20.00% 3	42.86% 15
Q3: 5A	80.00% 16	20.00% 4	57.14% 20
Total Respondents	28	7	35
	COMMENTS	TOTAL	
Q3: A/4A		3	3
Q3: 5A		3	3

#	Q3: A/4A	DATE
1	Getting more kids to state to experience it would encourage kids to play better.	6/12/2023 2:27 PM
2	I think the more opportunity for players to be in the state tournament the better.	6/8/2023 7:00 AM
3	The rest of the players are randomly selected anyways, so being 5 or 6 doesn't help you especially if you get put up against a private school player.	6/7/2023 10:14 AM
#	Q3: 5A	DATE
1	If the draw is 16 players than it should only be 4 seeds. If you go to 6 seeds then very few chances for a non-seeded player to win a round.	6/7/2023 12:20 PM
2	I think that there are some individuals that are just outside the top 4 that should at least get a shot at getting to the semis. The past couple years there have been some good doubles teams and singles players that might have gotten to the semis or even finals if they had not gotten a rough draw and met up with the state champ in the quarters or earlier.	6/7/2023 10:38 AM
3	I'm in favor of seeding the entire draw, as we potentially avoid the first round trap matches and reward the top seeds with easier 1R opponents - they've earned it.	6/7/2023 9:55 AM