I. The NMAA Board of Directors met on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 via teleconference. Mr. Mike Phipps, NMAA Board President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Ms. Jacquelyne Gallegos, NMAA Administrative Assistant, called roll and the following Board Members were present via teleconference: Dr. R.L. Richards (Small Area B); Mr. Bill Green (Small Area C); Mr. Stan Rounds (Large School District II); Mr. Rick Ferguson (Small Area D); Ms. Zita Lopez (Small Area A); Ms. Janel Ryan (Large Area A); Mr. Mike Phipps (Large Area B); Mr. Dion Sandoval (New Mexico Board Association Representative) and Dr. James Abreu (Large Area D). Mr. Dane Kennon (At-Large Member); Mr. Michael Harris (Large Area C); Mr. Winston Brooks (Large School District I); and Mr. Lawrence Johnson (NMAA Commission Representative); were absent.

Present from the NMAA were Mr. Gary Tripp, Executive Director; Ms. Sally Marquez, Associate Director; Mr. Mario Martinez, Associate Director; as well as other NMAA administrative staff.

Mr. Tripp made a motion to move Item III, Executive Session; to Item V, because there were some legal issues that needed to be discussed. Mr. Rounds seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously to approve the agenda as amended.

The minutes from the December 3, 2009 NMAA Board of Directors Meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Ferguson to approve the minutes as presented. Dr. Abreu seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion to approve the minutes from the December 3, 2009 Board Meeting carried unanimously.

II. Director’s Report – Mr. Tripp thanked all the board members for attending the meeting and for their continued support they give to the children of New Mexico. He stated there were two things that he needed to discuss. The first issue Mr. Tripp discussed was the NMAA Foundation Bowl-A-Thon. He challenged the board members to compete against his team at the NMAA Foundation Bowl-A-Thon in order to help raise money for student scholarships.

The second issue that Mr. Tipp discussed was the finance committee. He asked Mr. Phipps to help him put together the committee and decided who would be on
it. Mr. Phipps stated that if any board members were interested in being on the finance committee to be sure and let Mr. Tripp know.

III. General Action/Information/Discussion Item – Results of the Emergency Referenda concerning Game Limitations. - Mr. Tripp stated this has been a positive referendum. This has been the highest vote we have ever received from the schools. 70% of the NMAA member schools voted.

Mr. Tripp stated at this time I would like to share with the Board of Directors that Proposal 1 received the highest number of votes and it passed with 52 votes. Proposal 2 came in second with 38 votes. Proposal 3 was last receiving 26 votes.

Mr. Tripp stated that since Proposal 1 passed the second item on the General Action/Information/Discussion Items would not be needed since it called for action only if Proposal 2 or Proposal 3 received a positive vote.

Mr. Ferguson stated that he was a little concerned with the fact that Proposal 2 and Proposal 3 had a combined vote of 64 votes. He stated this showed that 64 schools that voted would like to see a change compared to the 52 schools that would like to see no change.

Mr. Tripp stated that the Spirit referendum did pass with 82 schools voting to make Spirit a sport compared to 32 schools voting against making Spirit a sport.

General Action/Information/Discussion Item – Consider waiving the elimination of the Bye week in the sport of football for the 2010 season only. (Note: Only if Proposal 2 or Proposal 3 received a positive vote.) – Proposal 1 received a positive vote so there was no need for this Action/Discussion Item.

IV. Addendum Agenda – No addendum agenda was needed at this time.

V. Executive Session – A motion was made by Mr. Ferguson and seconded by Ms. Ryan to enter executive session at 10:11 a.m. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED DISCUSSION

A motion was made by Mr. Rounds and seconded by Dr. Richards to reconvene into regular session at 10:36 a.m. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Phipps stated that there was no action taken during the executive session.

VI. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the NMAA.

X. Consider Adjournment
A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Ferguson. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ryan. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.