

NMAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, September 9, 2009
1:30 p.m., NMAA



- I. The NMAA Board of Directors met on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 for a special meeting on Alignment and Classification. Mr. Mike Phipps, NMAA Board President, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Rounds to approve the agenda. Ms. Lopez seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the July 23, 2009 NMAA Board of Directors Meeting were presented. A motion was made by Mr. Green to approve the minutes. Mr. Kennon seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

- II. *General Action Item – Establish a process and procedure within Class B in the sports of Volleyball and Girls and Boys Basketball for the 2010-2014 four-year block. Twenty Class B schools will meet at the NMAA the morning of September 9, 2009 and a recommendation of the process and procedures of District and State Qualifying Systems will be developed -* Mr. Tripp welcomed the Board of Directors and thanked them all for attending the Special Board Meeting. He stated he had an outstanding meeting this morning with Representatives, Athletic Directors, and Superintendents form Class B. He presented a proposal to everyone present at the Class B Meeting, based on the approval from the June 2009 Board Meeting.

Mr. Tripp's recommendations were as follows:

In District (4B)(5A) in the sport of volleyball, Animas will be in a Bi-District with Reserve and Quemado due to the fact that Animas is the only Class A team in southwestern New Mexico.

In the sport of basketball, Reserve and Quemado will have a two-team district in District 4B. Cliff and Animas will be a two team district in District 5A.

Schools will be mandated to play 4 games/matches outside of their district to improve schedules and help in the seeding/selection process.

Mr. Richards made a motion to accept the recommendations as presented by the NMAA for Class B. Mr. Kennon seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

General Action Item – Consider an adjustment of Class A and AA districts due to schools choosing to play up in classification. – Mr. Martinez asked the board members to turn to the Class A and Class B basketball proposals in their board packet.

Mr. Martinez stated the adjustments are as follows:

Magdalena has requested to play up from Class A to Class AA. They will be placed in District 3AA.

Des Moines has requested to play up from Class B to Class A. They will be placed in District 1A.

Carrizozo has requested to play up from Class B to Class A. They will be placed in District 7A.

Springer has requested to play up from Class B to Class A. They will be placed in District 1A.

Moving Alamo Navajo to District 2 because of its geographical location.

Moving McCurdy to District 4 to balance districts and its geographical location.

All schools choosing to play up must remain in the higher classification for the four year block as per the Rules of Alignment and Classification passed by the Board of Directors on June 3, 2009.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to accept the adjustments of Class A and Class AA with the adjustments presented by Mr. Martinez. Ms. Lopez seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

- III. *Executive Session* – A motion was made by Mr. Rounds and seconded by Dr. Richards to enter executive session at 1:50 p.m. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED DISCUSSION

A motion was made by Ms. Lopez and seconded by Mr. Rounds to reconvene into regular session at 2:36 p.m. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Phipps stated that there was no action taken during the executive session.

- IV. *Next Board Meeting Wednesday, September 30, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the NMAA.*

- V. *Consider Adjournment*

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Rounds. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ferguson. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:38 p.m.