

**NMAA Board of Directors' Meeting
December 2, 2020
9:30 a.m.**

Welcome - Meeting called to order by Mr. TJ Parks, NMAA Board President, at 9:42 a.m. Ms. Alissa Wesbrook, NMAA Assistant to the Executive Director, conducted roll call and the following members were present via Zoom:

Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)
Mr. Kirk Carpenter (Large Area A)
Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Mr. T.J. Parks (Large Area B - President)
Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
Mr. Scott Elder (Large School District I)
Dr. Karen Trujillo (Large School District II)
Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Ms. Lesa Dodd (At-Large)

12 members were present representing a quorum.

Not Present:

Mr. Terry Martin (New Mexico School Boards Association)

Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the agenda to include the addendum agenda item to be placed as the last discussion item after classification & alignment. Mr. Carpenter made the motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. White seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Yes/For	No/Against	Board Member Name
Yes		Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)
Yes		Mr. Kirk Carpenter (Large Area A)
Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Yes		Mr. T.J. Parks, Board President (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Scott Elder (Large School District I)
Yes		Dr. Karen Trujillo (Large School District II)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Yes		Ms. Lesa Dodd (At- Large)

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2020 Board Meeting as presented. Ms. Dodd made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Dempsey seconded the motion. A roll vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Yes/For	No/Against	Board Member Name
Yes		Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)
Yes		Mr. Kirk Carpenter (Large Area A)
Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Yes		Mr. T.J. Parks, Board President (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Scott Elder (Large School District I)
Yes		Dr. Karen Trujillo (Large School District II)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Yes		Ms. Lesa Dodd (At- Large)

NMAA Director's Report:

Ms. Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, presented the Director's report. She discussed (5) items on her report: 1) provided information on the recent Board of Directors elections - Mr. Lee White and Mr. Travis Dempsey were re-elected & Mr. Daniel Benavidez was elected to take over for Mr. Kirk Carpenter; 2) thanked Mr. Carpenter for his service on the Board of Directors and his dedication to the students of New Mexico; 3) stated that the NMAA's newest activity of Powerlifting has started competitions with nearly three hundred students participating; 4) provided an update on the NMAA Foundation that included information regarding the decision to increase student scholarships by \$20,000 (\$45,000 total) for the 2020-2021 school year; and 5) reported that Esports is in its third year as an activity and that two new games have been added (FIFA & Madden) which should increase participation by schools/students even more.

NMAA Activities Report:

Ms. Dana Pappas, NMAA Commissioner of Officials, presented the Activities Report. She discussed three (3) items on her report: 1) provided information on the Activity Directors Q&A zoom sessions that have taken place throughout the Fall; 2) stated that a directory of all Activities Directors and activity sponsors has been compiled; and 3) reported that the Student Leadership Advisory Council has met twice this year with much of the group's focus placed on Mental Health Awareness.

New Mexico Officials Association Report:

Ms. Pappas presented the New Mexico Officials Association Report. She discussed four (4) items on her report: 1) stated that Volleyball officials held numerous virtual meetings throughout the fall with over 85% of officials in attendance over the past four months, with Basketball officials set to start the same thing at the end of the month; 2) reported that the NMOA is working on a historical directory of post season officials for past championship events; and 3) provided information from the NMOA Executive Board Meeting, which took place in October; and 4) reported on the formation of two new NMOA committees (Diversity and Inclusion Panel and Constitutional Review Committee).

Discussion/ Information Items:

NMSBA: Scholastic Eligibility Inquiry - Ms. Marquez discussed the New Mexico state statute pertaining to the scholastic eligibility of students for participation in extra-curricular activities and the history of NMAA bylaws regarding this topic. A September Policy Services Advisory from the

New Mexico School Boards Association has raised questions regarding the interpretation of the statute and NMAA bylaws. The group asked for clarification regarding the matter and asked that correspondence be sent out from the NMAA to member schools regarding the matter.

Classification & Alignment for 2022-2024 - Ms. Marquez discussed Classification & Alignment for the next two-year block (2022-2024) and reported that enrollment numbers for 2020-2021 could be lower statewide due to the effects of the pandemic. Feedback included freezing the current breakdown of schools for one to two more years and collecting 40-day counts from 2020-2021 to get preliminary information on how this year may impact enrollment numbers for future classification purposes. The NMAA staff will conduct more research on this topic for discussion at a future meeting.

Game/Event Limitations for 2020-2021 - Ms. Marquez discussed the possibility of adjusting the game/event limitations for all sports for the 2020-2021 school year due to possible issues with club and high school sport seasons occurring simultaneously. The topic will continue to be discussed as future action may be needed.

Action Items:

Approval of NMAA 990 for 2019-2020 - Ms. Shari Kessler-Schwaner, NMAA Business Manager, presented a proposal to approve the NMAA 990 for 2019-2020. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Ms. Dodd made the motion to accept proposal. Mr. Trujillo seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed (10-0 with one abstained; Mr. White was not present).

Yes/For	No/Against	Board Member Name
Yes		Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)
Yes		Mr. Kirk Carpenter (Large Area A)
Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Yes		Mr. T.J. Parks, Board President (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
	Abstained	Mr. Scott Elder (Large School District I)
Yes		Dr. Karen Trujillo (Large School District II)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Yes		Ms. Lesa Dodd (At- Large)

Student Eligibility: Participation after graduation for 2021 - Mr. Mike Hyatt, Superintendent of Gallup McKinley County Schools, presented a proposal requesting all senior athletes who graduate in December 2020 be allowed to participate in interscholastic athletics through the 2020-2021 school year. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Mr. Lackey made the motion to allow all senior athletes graduating in December 2020, be eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics and activities until June 30, 2021. Mr. Casados seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed (10-2).

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Yes		Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)
	No	Mr. Kirk Carpenter (Large Area A)
Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)

	No	Mr. T.J. Parks, Board President (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Scott Elder (Large School District I)
Yes		Dr. Karen Trujillo (Large School District II)
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COVID Addendum: Cumulative provision for Freshmen - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal that, on an emergency and temporary basis due to the COVID-19 pandemic for the 2020-2021 school year only, Bylaw 6.2.1 c2 would read as follows: Only semester grades can be used, and all semester grades starting with the 9th grade year must be utilized. (The cumulative provision cannot be used for middle school/junior high Students.) Mr. Parks asked for a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Mr. Carpenter made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

2020-2021 Sports Calendar - Ms. Marquez presented a proposal to consider an amended 2020-2021 sports calendar due to changes in the COVID-19 pandemic which has a start date for traditional Fall sports in February, then traditional Winter sports, and finishing with no changes to the April start for traditional Spring sports. Mr. Parks asked for a motion. Mr. Casados made the motion to approve the amended/new calendar as presented. Mr. Elder seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously. (12-0)

Executive Session

Mr. Parks asked for a motion to go into Executive Session at 11:55 a.m. to discuss Financial, Legal, and Personnel matters pertaining to the organization. Mr. Carpenter made the motion to enter into Executive Session. Mr. Dempsey seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

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Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Yes		Mr. T.J. Parks, Board President (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Scott Elder (Large School District I)
Yes		Dr. Karen Trujillo (Large School District II)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Yes		Ms. Lesa Dodd (At-Large)

Mr. Elder & Dr. Trujillo left the meeting.

Mr. Parks asked for a motion to exit out of Executive Session at 12:23 p.m. Mr. Parks stated no action was taken in Executive Session. Mr. Carpenter made the motion to exit out of Executive Session. Mr. Moyer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously. (10-0).

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Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Yes		Ms. Lesa Dodd (At-Large)

Consider Adjournment:

Mr. Parks asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:24 p.m. Mr. Viramontes made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (10-0).

Yes/For	No/Against	Board Member Name
Yes		Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)
Yes		Mr. Kirk Carpenter (Large Area A)
Yes		Mr. Matt Moyer (Small Area B)
Yes		Mr. T.J. Parks, Board President (Large Area B)
Yes		Mr. David Lackey (Small Area C)
Yes		Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Yes		Mr. Lee White (Small Area D)
Yes		Mr. Fred Trujillo (Large Area D)
Yes		Mr. Ernie Viramontes (Commission)
Yes		Ms. Lesa Dodd (At-Large)

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2021