NMAA Board of Directors
December 5, 2013
9:00 AM
NMAA Hall of Pride and Honor

Welcome - Meeting called to order by Mrs. Janel Ryan, NMAA Board of Directors President at 9:27 a.m. A roll call was conducted by Mrs. Mindy Ioane, NMAA Administrative Assistant, and the following members were present:

Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)

Mr. Paul Benoit (Small Area B)

Mr. Bill Green (Small Area C)

Dr. Crit Caton (At-Large Member)

Mrs. Janel Ryan (Large Area A - President)

Mr. T.J. Parks (Large Area B - Vice President)

Dr. George Straface (Large Area C)

Mr. Stan Rounds (Large School District II)

Mr. Adan Delgado (Large Area D)

Mr. Lawrence Johnson (NMAA Commission Representative)

Ms. Lesa Dodd (Small Area D)

Mr. Dion Sandoval (NM School Board Association)

## Not present:

Mr. Winston Brooks (Large School District I)

Twelve members present representing a quorum.

# **Approval of the Agenda:**

Mrs. Ryan asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Rounds made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Dr. Straface seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Mrs. Ryan asked for a motion to approve the November 20, 2013 minutes. Dr. Straface made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Green seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

#### **General Action Item:**

Split A/4A Soccer District 3 into two districts (2014 - 16 block): Mr. Bill Cleland, NMAA Associate Director, asked the board to consider splitting A/4A Soccer District 3 for the 2014 - 15/2015 - 16 block. This will keep schools in the same districts that they are in other sports. It will also eliminate considerable travel distance and time for members of the combined district. Mr. Green made the motion to accept the proposal as presented. Ms. Dodd seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

## **Classification & Alignment School Appeals:**

Mrs. Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, informed the Board that 17 schools will be presenting appeals with 10 minutes allotted for each presentation. She also stated that Clayton High School chose

to withdraw their appeal. Mr. Bill Cleland, NMAA Associate Director, stated that due to weather, three schools will be presenting their appeal via teleconference.

The following individuals presented appeals on behalf of their respective schools:

Cobre High School:

Mr. Robert Mendoza, Superintendent

Mr. Pat Abalos, Athletic Director

**Deming High School:** 

Mr. Mike Ellis, Athletic Director

Mr. Ellis submitted an Article from the "Washington Post" to the Board in support of their appeal.

Desert Academy (via teleconference):

Mr. Terry Passalacqua, Head of School

Dora High School:

Mr. Brandon Hays, Principal/Athletic Director

Mr. Kenneth Cox, School Board President

Mesilla Valley Christian School:

Mr. John Foreman, Superintendent

Mr. Michael Draper, Athletic Director

Zuni High School:

Mr. Mike Hyatt, Principal

Thoreau High School (via teleconference):

Ms. Monique Siedschlag, Principal

Mr. Mark Siedschlag, Athletic Director

Albuquerque Academy:

Mr. Andy Watson, Headmaster

Ms. Taryn Bachis, Athletic Director

East Mountain High School (via teleconference):

Mr. Doug Wine, Head of School

David Naylor, Athletic Director

Break 10:45 - 11:00

Alamogordo High School:

Mr. Lawrence Johnson, Athletic Director

Dr. George Straface, Superintendent

Belen High School:

Mr. Ron Marquez, Superintendent

Mr. David Carter, Support Services Director

Mr. George Perea, Finance Director Mr. Jason Baca, Athletic Coordinator

Highland High School:

Mr. Scott Elder, Principal

Mr. Joe Williams, Athletic Director

Hand out - Highland High School Appeal Points

Los Lunas Public Schools (Los Lunas and Valencia HS's):

Mr. Wilson Holland, Alternative School Principal and District Athletic Director Handout – Document containing appeal proposal

Pecos High School (via teleconference):

Mr. Fred Trujillo, Superintendent

Mr. Leonard Velasquez, Athletic Director

#### Ruidoso:

Mr. Kief Johnson, Activities Coordinator

Santa Fe High School:

Ms. Leslie Kilmer, Principal

Mr. Ray Holladay, Head Football Coach

Mr. David Rodriguez, Boys Varsity Basketball Coach

Mr. Elmer Chavez, Girls Varsity Basketball Coach

#### **Executive Session:**

Mrs. Ryan asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session. Dr. Straface made the motion to enter into Executive Session at 12:26 p.m. Mr. Rounds seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Mrs. Ryan asked for a motion to reconvene from the Executive Session at 2:11 p.m. Dr. Straface made the motion to reconvene. Mr. Sandoval seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

#### **Classification and Alignment Action Item:**

Mrs. Ryan thanked the Board for their continued support of the students of New Mexico. Mrs. Ryan asked for a motion regarding the school Classification and Alignment appeals. Mr. Rounds made a motion to deny all appeals presented to the Board with the only exception being that the Executive Director and NMAA staff would look at the Pecos alignment issue. Mr. Sandoval seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

FOR (YES)	AGAINST (NO)	REPRESENTATIVE
✓		Mr. Anthony Casados, (Small, Area A)
✓		Mr. Paul Benoit (Small Area B)
✓		Mr. Bill Green (Small, Area C)
✓		Ms. Lesa Dodd (Small, Area D)
N/A	N/A	Mr. Winston Brooks (Large School District I)

✓		Dr. Crit Caton (At-Large Member) KATON
✓		Mr. Dion Sandoval (NM School Board Association)
✓		Mrs. Janel Ryan (Large, Area A)
✓		Mr. T.J. Parks, (Large Area B)
	✓	Dr. George Straface (Large Area C) STRA-FOSS
✓		Mr. Adan Delgado (Large, Area D)
✓		Mr. Stan Rounds (Large School District II)
	✓	Mr. Lawrence Johnson (NMAA Commission Representative)
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Motion passed (10-2).

# **Consider Adjournment:**

Mrs. Ryan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting 2:26 p.m. Mr. Johnson made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Green seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Next Meeting Date: February 19, 2014 (NMAA Office).