NMAA

Board of Directors’ Meeting

NMAA Hall of Pride and Honor

Thursday, July 26, 2018
9:30 AM
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Note: Initial term lengths are staggered as per approved procedure. Subsequent elected terms will be for three years each.
NEW MEXICO ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ SPECIAL MEETING

NMAA - Hall of Pride and Honor
July 26, 2018
9:30 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
   (A) Approval of Minutes (June 7, 2018)

II. Discussion/ Information Items
    (D) Roy HS Presentation: Rural School Co-ops
    (D) Grady HS Presentation: Class 1A Tri-ops

III. Action Items
    (A) Bylaw 7.6.26: School Co-op Participation
        (Referenda)

IV. Executive Session (Financial, Legal, Personnel)

Next Board of Directors’ Meeting – September 19, 2018 (NMAA)
NMAA Board of Directors’ Meeting
June 7, 2018
10:00 am
NMAA Hall of Pride and Honor

Welcome - Meeting called to order by Mr. T.J. Parks, NMAA Board of Directors President, at 10:05 am. A roll call was conducted by Ms. Jacquelyne Martinez, NMAA Assistant Director, and the following members were present:

Mr. Anthony Casados (Small Area A)
Mr. Jaime Widner (Small Area B)
Ms. Lesa Dodd (Small Area D)
Mr. Kirk Carpenter (Large Area A)
Mr. T.J. Parks (Large Area B - President)
Mr. Travis Dempsey (Large Area C)
Ms. Dana Sanders (Large Area D)
Ms. Yvonne Garcia (Large School District I) *representing Ms. Raquel Reedy
Dr. Crit Caton (At-Large Member)
Mr. Ernie Viramontes (NMAA Commission)
Ms. Jennifer Viramontes (NM School Board Association)

Not present:
Mr. Bill Green (Small Area C)
Mr. Greg Ewing (Large School District II)

Eleven members present representing a quorum.

Approval of the Agenda:
Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the elimination of the Board Member Qualification Action Item. Mr. Carpenter made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

Approval of Minutes:
Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2018 Board Meeting as presented. Ms. Dodd made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Widner seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

NMAA Executive Directors’ Report:
Ms. Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, discussed four (4) items on her report: 1) the NMAA had an outstanding school year overall, but there was a struggle with sportsmanship amongst spectators; 2) the NFHS has given the NMAA AED’s to provide to member schools if they currently do not have one available for athletic events; 3) contract negotiations are underway with UNM for state championship facilities for the 2018-2019 school year and beyond; 4) congratulations to Scott Evans and T.J. Parks who will be honored at the NFHS Summer Meeting as Citation award winners and to Austin Denton of La Cueva HS for being honored by the NFHS with the Spirit of Sport sectional award.

NMAA Financial Report:
Ms. Shari Kessler-Schwaner, NMAA Business Manager, discussed one (1) item on her report: 1) the NMAA financials for 2017-2018 with a recap of all state championships. She presented final information for the Fall and Winter seasons, and provided basic information about the Spring as those numbers have yet to be finalized.
Action Item – 2017-2018 NMAA Budget: Ms. Marquez presented the 2018-2019 NMAA Budget. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the 2018-2019 NMAA Budget as presented which included a 2.5% raise for staff. A motion was made by Ms. Dodd to accept the NMAA 2018-2019 budget as presented. Ms. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

**NMAA Activities Report:**
Ms. Tammy Richards, NMAA Assistant Director, discussed four (4) items on her report on behalf of Ms. Dana Pappas, NMAA Deputy Director: 1) the NMAA’s two Music Events (Choir & Concert Band) took place in April at Cleveland High School and both were again a huge success; 2) most of the NMAA’s state activity events took place during the spring semester – an overview of each is available on the website; 3) she recently attended both the State FFA Convention and State Rodeo Championships and was impressed with those events/students; and 4) there has been an update to the NMAA Student Leadership Handbook which will be sent out to the membership over the summer.

**NMOA Report:**
Mr. Nate Acosta, NMAA Assistant to the Commissioner of Officials, discussed five (5) items on his report on behalf of Ms. Pappas: 1) Officials’ Appreciation Weeks were held in the fall, winter, and spring to recognize individuals registered with the NMOA – the program was a great success; 2) the NMOA Executive Board met and is working on Constitutional Revisions as well as elections for officers/representatives; 3) the NMOA has partnered with ex-NFL VP of Officiating Mike Pereira to launch a program called “Battlefields to Ballfields” in New Mexico; 4) the summer will again feature numerous basketball camps for NMOA officials; and 5) the 2018 State Clinic & Awards Banquet is set for July and the guest speaker is NFL Ref Tony Corrente.

**General Discussion / Information Items:**
Officials’ Pay: Ms. Marquez discussed officials pay and how New Mexico compares to other states of like size and in the same region. New Mexico is below the regional average in most sports. She discussed a possible pay increase for 2019-2020 for all officials and stated an action item formalizing this proposal will be placed on a future agenda.

San Jon HS Presentation: Tri-Op - Franklin Gibson, San Jon Schools Board President, discussed the possibility of a tri-op with two other schools (Grady & House). Mr. Gibson as well as several other students, parents, and coaches of San Jon and administrators from Grady & Roy spoke on behalf of this proposal.

**Action Items:**
eSports as an Activity: Mr. Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director, and Mr. Mark Koski (NFHS) asked the board members to consider adding eSports as a sanctioned NMAA activity. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Carpenter made the motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Garcia seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed (6-5).

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Wrestling: 2018-2020 State Qualifying Numbers: Mr. Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director, asked the board to consider adjusting state qualifying numbers in all classes due to the new classifications and alignments approved for the 2018-2020 block. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Dr. Caton made the motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Dodd seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

Wrestling: State Seeding Criteria: Mr. Owen asked the board to consider raising the minimum number of matches required in order to earn the winning percentage criteria for state seeding from 12 matches to 16 matches. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Carpenter made the motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

Wrestling: A-3A Medalists: Mr. Owen, asked the board to consider reducing the number of state medalists in the 3A classification from four (4) to three (3). Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Viramontes made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Dempsey seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

Football: 6-Man District Alignment: Mr. Young asked the board to consider an update to the district alignment for 6-Man Football for the 2018-2020 block. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Widner made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Casados seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

Football: 6-Man State Qualifiers (District Champs): Mr. Young asked the board to consider an update to the NMAA Bylaw 7.15.4.B.2 & 7.15.4.B.3 (6-Man Football State Qualifiers). Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Widner made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Casados seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

Governance Structure: Mr. Young, NMAA asked the board to consider an update to section 3.1 of the NMAA Handbook (NMAA governance Structure). Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Widner made the motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (11-0).

Track & Field: Class 3A Meet: Ms. Marquez asked the board to consider placement of the Class 3A State Track & field Championships with the A-2A or 4A-5A meet. Mr. Parks asked for a motion. Ms. Dodd made the motion to place the Class 3A State Track and Field Championships with the Class A-2A State Track and Field Championships. Mr. Casados seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed (9-2).

Mr. Carpenter left the meeting.

District Schedule / Postseason Eligibility: (Referenda Item): Ms. Marquez asked the board to consider a proposal that would require schools to complete their entire district schedule, as determined by the district, in order to qualify for the postseason (Bylaw 7.6.6). Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Widner made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed (9-1).

Sportsmanship Bylaw Updates: (Referenda Item): Ms. Marquez asked the board to consider a proposal that would update sportsmanship bylaw 7.4.4 – Crowd Control. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Dempsey made the motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Sanders seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (10-0).

Undue Influence: (Referenda Item): Ms. Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, proposed to the board to adjust NMAA Bylaws 1.8, 6.1.3, and 7.4.3 - Undue Influence of a Student. Mr. Parks asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Viramontes made the motion to approve the proposal. Ms. Dodd seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (10-0).
Executive Session:
Mr. Parks asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing personnel matters – including the Executive Director’s evaluation, financial matters, legal issues, and pending or threatening litigations at 12:21 pm. A motion was made by Dr. Caton to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters to include the review of the Executive Director, financial and legal issues, and pending and/or threatened litigation. Ms. Dodd seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (10-0).

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Mr. Parks asked for a motion to exit out of Executive Session at 1:35 pm. Ms. Dodd made the motion to exit from Executive Session. Dr. Caton seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously (10-0).

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Consider Adjournment:
Mr. Parks asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:36 pm. Dr. Caton made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (10-0).

Next Board Meeting – September 19, 2018 (NMAA)
New Mexico Activities Association
Board Meeting – July 26, 2018

SCHOOL CO-OP PARTICIPATION

- Action Item
- Referenda Item
- Discussion Item
- Non-Referenda Item

Consider adjustments to NMAA Bylaw 7.6.26 (School Co-op Participation)

Presenter: Sally Marquez, Executive Director

Current Bylaw: 7.6.26 School Co-op Participation

Two Class A and/or AA schools can petition the Director to co-op in the sports of football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball, and/or softball. At least one school must show proof that they do not have enough willing participants to field their own team. The co-op team must play in the classification in which their combined grades 9-12 enrollment would place them, but in no case higher than Class AA.

The two schools must apply jointly, via letters signed by their superintendents and/or school boards, and agree to share in all areas including costs, liability, discipline, insurance, etc. The schools must agree to remain in the co-op for a minimum of a two-year block.

Proposed New Bylaw: 7.6.26 School Co-op/Tri-op Participation

Class A and/or AA schools can petition the Director to co-op/tri-op in the sports of football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball, and/or softball. At least one school in a co-op and two schools in a tri-op must show proof that they do not have enough willing participants to field their own team. The co-op/tri-op team must play in the classification in which their combined grades 9-12 enrollment would place them, but in no case higher than Class AA.

The schools must apply jointly, via letters signed by their superintendents and/or school boards, and agree to share in all areas including costs, liability, discipline, insurance, etc. The schools must agree to remain in the co-op/tri-op for a minimum of a two-year block.

Rationale:

This change will provide more opportunities for students within small schools to participate in athletics.

NMAA Staff Recommendation:

Approve