NMAA Commission Meeting

Wednesday, November 16, 2016
NMAA
9:00 AM
New Mexico Activities Association
Commission
Updated August 2016

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Note: The terms of the elected representatives to the NMAA Commission shall be three years. The initial term lengths are staggered to provide continuity on the Commission. Subsequent terms are for three years for the elected position.
NEW MEXICO ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION
COMMISSION MEETING

NMAA - Hall of Pride and Honor
November 16, 2016
9:00 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 (September 7, 2016)

II. NMAA Directors’ Report

III. NMAA Activities Report

IV. New Mexico Officials Association Report

V. General Discussion/ Information Items
   (I) Commission/Board election results
   (D/I) Use of Ineligible Player (penalty)
   (D/I) Future Classification / Alignment

VI. Action Items
   (A) Add “Educators Rising” as a sanctioned Activity
   (A) Softball: Individual Game Limitations - Courtesy Runner
       (Referenda)
   (A) Softball: Individual Game Limitations - Innings of Play
       (Referenda)
   (A) Softball: Game Time Limits
       (Referenda)

VII. Consider Adjournment

Next Commission Meeting – February 1, 2017 (NMAA)
NMAA Commission Meeting
September 7, 2016
9:00 AM
NMAA Office

Welcome – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bruce Carver at 9:00 am. A roll call was conducted by Mrs. Jacquelyne Martinez and the following members were present:

Mr. Todd Kurth (Small, Area A)
Mr. Bruce Carver (Large, Area A)
Mr. Dickie Roybal (Small, Area B)
Mr. Dale Fullerton (Large, Area B)
Mr. Gary Schuster (Small, Area C)
Mr. Dave Campbell (Small, Area D)
Ms. Nickie McCarty (Large, Area D)
Mr. Pete MacFarlane (Non-Public School Rep.)
Ms. Jennifer Viramontes (State School Boards Association Rep.)
Mr. Thomas Mabrey (New Mexico High School Coaches Association Rep.)
Mr. Jess Martinez (New Mexico Officials Association Rep.)
Mr. Scott Affentranger (New Mexico Association of Secondary School Principals Rep.)

Not present:
Mr. Ernie Viramontes (Large, Area C)
Mr. Mike Huston (New Mexico High School Athletic Directors Association Rep.)
Mr. Don Gerheart (Activities Council Member)
Ms. Debbie Coffman (Jr. High/Middle School Rep.)

12 members present representing a quorum.

Approval of Agenda:
Mr. Carver asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Schuster made the motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Approval of Minutes:
Mr. Carver asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2016 Commission Meeting as presented. Mr. Martinez made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Mabrey seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

NMAA Directors’ Report:
Mr. Bill Cleland, NMAA Associate Director, discussed five (5) items on his report: 1) he asked that we think good thoughts for Mr. Don Gerheart, Activities representative to the Commission, and his wife while they deal with some health issues; 2) announced that Mike Huston is the new NMADA representative to the Commission; 3) there have been two departures from the Board of Directors, Mr. Stan Rounds, Superintendent of Las Cruces, and Mr. Gene Parson, Superintendent of West Las Vegas. They have been replaced by Dr. Steven Sanchez, Interim Superintendent of Las Cruces Public Schools, and Ms. Dana Sanders, Superintendent of Los Lunas Schools; 4) all referenda items passed at the May 18, 2016 Commission meeting passed; and 5) thank you to Ms. Mindy Ioane, for creating the slide show of the 2015-2016 state championship teams that is on display in the Hall of Pride and Honor.
Mr. Dusty Young, NMAA Associate Director, discussed five (5) items on his report: 1) the upcoming NMAA/NMADA Fall Conference which will be held October 9-11, 2016 at the Marriott Pyramid Hotel; 2) the NMAA Foundation 4th Annual Fun Run which took place on July 30, 2016 with more than 150 participants, raising over $2,000 for student scholarships; 3) the NMAA Foundation will award 16 scholarships for the 2016-2017 school year through their fundraising efforts; 4) the NMAA Foundation will broaden the scope of the Foundation and will try to help schools with uniform expenses, equipment purchases, and emergency relief help; and 5) the NMAA Foundation is looking at expanding their Board of Directors to include representation of administrators from around the state.

**NMAA Financial Report:**
Ms. Shari Kessler-Schwaner, Business Manager, presented the finance report. She discussed two (2) items on her report: 1) the NMAA net income report, pointing out that ticket sales were up 2% and 2) a breakdown of NMAA Activities expenses.

**NMAA Activities Report:**
Ms. Dana Pappas, Deputy Director, presented the activities report. She discussed three (3) items on her report: 1) Activities Council meeting held on August 30, 2016. All but two of the activities were represented. Meeting minutes will be available on the Activities page of the NMAA website by the end of the week; 2) the number of schools participating in activities is on the rise overall, although the number of student participants may be down. Many activities had students win at the national level. Schools are encouraging participation of students in activities offerings at their schools; and 3) transfer eligibility guidelines for activities did not seem to be an issue overall, with the exceptions of bowling and JROTC.

**NMAA Officials Report:**
Ms. Dana Pappas, Commissioner of Officials, presented the officials report. She discussed four (4) items on her report: 1) the state officials' clinic, five basketball camps and the referee educational forum. The changed format of the Forum was a rousing success, with a combination of on-court and classroom training. This is the future of the State Clinic; 2) shortage of officials has reached an epidemic in NM and nationwide. Receiving calls from neighboring states for help. We are able to get games covered through cross-regional assignments and are trying to be mindful of the budgetary impact on schools. The turnover of officials in the one to three year range is causing officials not to have the same learning curve. Our overall numbers have stayed the same but we are not retaining new officials. Sub-varsity and young officials have bad experiences, we lose them and then are consistently retraining. Be kind to officials. Remind your coaches and fans. Change your game dates. Not everyone can play on Friday and the same schools are the only ones that volunteer. Schools are getting pieced together crews on Friday nights; you have a better chance at a stronger crew on Thursday or Saturday; 3) film on Hudl. Because we have to intensify our training, we need film. 117 varsity football games played. 14 films posted. Currently have four individuals who are working on film training and evaluation. One current DI official, one retired DI official and two current DII officials. We have the staff but need more film; and 4) Nate Acosta of Las Cruces will be joining the NMAA staff on September 12, 2016, replacing Jeremy Hernandez. He brings with him a wealth of knowledge in the officiating world, including film and Arbiter technology.
General Discussion/Information Items:
Out of Season Coaching (7/8 grades): Ms. Marquez asked the members for feedback regarding out of season coaching of 7th and 8th grade students. Commission members discussed the issue. They recommended that the 8th grade issue be placed as an action item on the next Board agenda.

District Track/Field meet start time: Mr. Phil Keller, East Mountain High School Track and Field Coach, asked the members for consideration of Track and Field District Meet start time on Friday afternoons being allowed earlier in the day. Commission members discussed the issue. Following discussion, the members recommended that the issue be taken to the Track and Field Sports Specific Committee.

Upcoming Commission Elections: Mr. Cleland discussed the upcoming Commission elections. Following the annual Fall meeting of member schools, nominations for the Small Area A, Small Area C, and Large Area C positions on the Commission will be accepted.

Action Items:
Non-member private school student participation (Referenda Item): Ms. Marquez asked the Commission to review the proposed NMAA bylaw regarding non-member private school student participation. Mr. Carver asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Schuster made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Roybal seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed (11-1).

Wrestling - State Seeding - Trackwrestling software: Mr. Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director, asked the members to amend the current policy to utilize Trackwrestling’s automated seeding matrix to assign individual seeds in each weight class. Mr. Carver asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Fullerton made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Baseball - Pitching Restrictions (Referenda Item): Mr. Young asked the members to consider proposed pitching restriction regulations to Bylaws 7.12.1.D and Bylaw 9.8.1.C.3. He stated that changes were needed due to recent changes made to NFHS Baseball Rules. Mr. Carver asked for a motion to approve the proposal. Mr. Schuster made the motion to approve the proposal. Mr. MacFarlane seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Golf - Modify coaching restriction during competition (Referenda Item): Mr. Cleland asked the members to consider modifying the current bylaw wording to allow coach and player to communicate while travelling between the putting green of one hole and the teeing ground of the next. Mr. Carver asked for a motion to accept the proposal. Mr. Martinez made the motion to accept the proposal as presented. Ms. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).

Consider Adjournment:
Mr. Carver asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 am. Ms. Viramontes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. MacFarlane seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (12-0).
Benefits to Students
- Competitive Events Program
- Internships in a classroom setting
- Access to online support network
- State and national conferences
- Scholarships
- 21st Century Skills

Educators Rising NM Five Year Goals
- By 2020 New Mexico will have 100 Educators Rising NM chapters with career pathways in education.
- EdRising students will have the opportunity to develop 21st Century Skills, attend conferences, participate in internships, and take dual credit courses.
- EdRising students will receive scholarships and will pursue degrees in education at a New Mexico college.
- Upon graduation, EdRisingNM students will become teachers in New Mexico, especially in high-need districts.

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If you are interested in starting an EdRising NM Chapter at your school, we are here to help!
Please visit the National Educators Rising website at http://www.educatorsrising.org for more information about what is happening at the national level. JOIN THE MOVEMENT!
For information regarding activities in New Mexico please contact us so you can get started!

Visit our Website
http://educatorsrisingnm.nmsu.edu

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Our Mission
Starting in high school, Educators Rising provides passionate young people with hands-on teaching experience, sustains their interest in the profession, and helps them cultivate the skills they need to be successful educators.
What Local Chapters Do

Educators Rising chapters across the United States provide students opportunities to connect with passionate teachers, allowing them to experience the excitement of teaching.

Local chapters reach out to students, sparking their interest in an education career through internships, competitions and activities that grow professional knowledge.

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Go to educatorsrising.org and join the movement!

WHAT DO we need? TEACHERS!
WHEN DO we need them? NOW!

And the year after that...
   And the year after that...
      And the year after that...
          And the year after that...

OUR VISION

Every teacher in America has the skills and experience to help all students achieve their potential.

Educators Rising Conference 2016

What is Educators Rising?

Starting with high school students, we provide passionate young people with hands-on teaching experience, sustain their interest in the profession, and help them cultivate the skills they need to be successful educators.

The result is a pipeline of accomplished teachers who are positioned to make a lasting difference, not only in the lives of their students, but also in the field of teaching.

GROW YOUR OWN TEACHERS
JOIN Educators Rising TODAY!

"I joined Educators Rising NM to encourage students to enter a profession that has the capacity to change lives and impact future generations!"

--- EdRising NM Conference Participant

Seventeen school districts and nearly 30 schools are currently involved in EdRising NM. This map shows where we are, but we need more stars like you to make a bigger impact!
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SOFTBALL PLAYER GAME LIMITATIONS
(Courtesy Runners)

√ Action Item   √ Referenda Item
___ Discussion Item   ___ Non-Referenda Item

Presenter:
Scott Owen, NMAA Director of Softball

Proposal:
Consider adding verbiage to softball bylaw 7.18.1.C (game limitations) regarding courtesy runners.

Add to 7.18.1.C:

“Note – If a player participates in a contest as a courtesy runner only, this will not count as a game towards that player’s game limitations for the season.”

Rationale:
Follows suit with baseball’s May 2016 proposal and affords the sport of softball, which also uses courtesy runners, the same alternative.

Baseball’s rationale: “A courtesy runner participates in a very limited capacity during a baseball game. If an individual is used as a courtesy runner only, he/she gets in to the game when the pitcher or catcher reaches base – this could be anywhere from 0-4 times in a typical contest. It is felt by baseball coaches that this should not count as a game, similar to special teams play not counting towards a football player’s “experiences.”

Softball Sports Specific Committee Recommendation:
Unanimously in Favor

NMAA Staff Recommendation:
The NMAA Staff is in favor of this proposal.

Attachments:
None
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SOFTBALL PLAYER GAME LIMITATIONS
(Innings of Play)

√ Action Item
___ Discussion Item
√ Referenda Item
___ Non-Referenda Item

Presenter:
Scott Owen, NMAA Director of Softball

Proposal:
Consider adding verbiage to softball bylaw 7.18.1.C (game limitations) regarding innings of play.

Add to 7.18.1.C:

1. If a school plays two games at different levels (i.e. JV & Varsity) back to back on the same day and at the same site, a student-athlete may participate in 10 innings between the two contests and only count this as one game towards his/her game limitations for the season.

Rationale:
Follows suit with baseball’s May 2016 proposal and affords the sport of softball the same alternative.

Baseball’s rationale: Similar to the basketball “quarters of play” and volleyball “games” rule. It is felt that this change would not only bring consistency amongst sports, but it would also allow baseball coaches to better develop younger players by allowing them to participate in more game situations without penalizing them via their yearly game limitations. This would be especially helpful at the Class A/2A and 3A levels where participation numbers in the sport of baseball are low.

Softball Sports Specific Committee Recommendation:
Unanimously in Favor

NMMA Staff Recommendation:
The NMAA Staff is in favor of this proposal.

Attachments:
None
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SOFTBALL TIME LIMITS

Presented by:
Scott Owen, NMAA Director of Softball

Proposal:
Consider adding verbiage to softball bylaw 7.18.1.E (game ending procedures) to mirror baseball’s time limit rules and provide softball the alternative to use time limits when appropriate.

Add to 7.18.1.E:

4. **Time Limits** – There is no statewide time limit rule for any level.

   a. **District Time Limits** – A time limit can be implemented by a district if they choose to do so. Games that end due to a time limit will be considered regulation games regardless of how many innings are played. The score will remain as recorded when the game was called.

   b. **Invitational Tournament Time Limits** – Time limits can be implemented for invitational tournaments put on by schools/school districts. Games that end due to a time limit will be considered regulation games regardless of how many innings are played. The score will remain as recorded when the game was called.

Rationale:
Softball does not currently have any rules in place to address time limits in either district play or during invitational play. This proposal would align with baseball and provide the sport of softball the alternative to shorten games to a “time limit” for district play (specifically JV games) and invitational tournaments providing additional flexibility in deciding when to terminate games.

Softball Sports Specific Committee Recommendation:
Unanimously in Favor

NMAA Staff Recommendation:
The NMAA Staff is in favor of this proposal.

Attachments:
None