

NMAA

Commission Meeting



Wednesday, November 19, 2014

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9:00 AM



**New Mexico Activities Association
Commission**
Updated November 2014



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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 19, 2014
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 10, 2014)
Mindy Ioane, Admin. Assistant
Bruce Carver, Chairman
Bruce Carver, Chairman
- II. NMAA Directors' Report**
Bill Cleland, Dusty Young
- III. NMAA Activities Report**
Dana Pappas, Deputy Director
- IV. New Mexico Officials Association Report**
Dana Pappas, Commissioner of Officials
- V. General Discussion/ Information Items**
(D/I) Fall Conference survey results
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Open Enrollment - 8th graders not physically at school
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Out of Season coaching exception
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Fall Sports / basketball start / end dates
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) Middle School basketball start date
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) **Volleyball:** Tournaments / game limits
Sally Marquez, Executive Director
(D/I) **Football:** 48 minute rule
Dusty Young, Associate Director
(D/I) "You Are Different!" coaches seminars
Buster Mabrey, NMHSCA
- VI. Sport Specific Action Items**
(A) **Tennis:** District team championship scoring format
Joe Butler, Assistant Director
(A) **Tennis:** District / State team doubles substitution
Joe Butler, Assistant Director
(A) **Tennis:** District / State "Individual" semi-finals competition
Joe Butler, Assistant Director
(A) **Tennis:** State team championship scoring format
Joe Butler, Assistant Director
(A) **Swimming:** State relay entries
Bill Cleland, Associate Director
- VII. Consider Adjournment**

Next Commission Meeting – February 4, 2015 (NMAA)

NMAA Commission Meeting
September 10, 2014
9:00 AM
NMAA Office

Welcome – Meeting called to order by Mr. Terry Martin, NMAA Commission Vice Chairperson at 9:03 am. A roll call was conducted by Mrs. Mindy Ioane, NMAA Graphic Designer/Special Event Coordinator, and the following members were present:

Mr. Leonard Velasquez (Small, Area A)
Mr. Wayne Ferguson (Small, Area B)
Mr. Gary Schuster (Small, Area C)
Mr. Dave Campbell (Small, Area D)
Mr. Pete MacFarlane (Non-Public School Rep.)
Mr. Cooper Henderson (New Mexico Athletic Directors Association Rep.)
Mr. Jess Martinez (New Mexico Officials Association Rep.)
Mr. Scott Affentranger (National Association of Secondary School Principals Rep.)
Mr. Bruce Carver (Large, Area A)
Mr. Greg Haston (Large, Area B)
Mr. Ernie Viramontes (Large, Area C)
Mr. Kenny Barreras (Large, Area D)
Mr. Terry Martin (State School Boards Association Rep.)
Mr. Thomas Mabrey (New Mexico High School Coaches Association Rep.)
Mr. Don Gerheart (Activities Council Member)
Ms. Debbie Coffman (Jr. High/Middle School Rep.)

Sixteen members present representing a quorum.

Approval of Agenda:

Mr. Martin asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Velasquez made the motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Viramontes seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Martin asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2014 Commission Meeting as presented. Mr. Barreras made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Schuster seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

Elections:

Mr. Bill Cleland, NMAA Associate Director, informed the members that nominations and a vote will take place to fill the vacant role of Commission Chairperson. Mr. Martin asked for nominations to serve as chairperson of the Commission. Mr. Haston nominated Mr. Bruce Carver to serve as chairperson. Mr. Gerheart seconded the motion. Mr. Martin asked if there were any other nominations and there were none. Mr. Barreras made a motion to approve the nomination of Mr. Carver to serve as Chairperson of the Commission. Mr. Mabrey seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

Directors' Report:

Mr. Bill Cleland, NMAA Associate Director, discussed Classification & Alignment which is now Class 1A through 6A. He also announced the change in venues for the NMAA State Golf Championships. The

new sites will be The Canyon Club at Four Hills in Albuquerque, Pinon Hills in Farmington and Spring River in Roswell.

New members to the Commission are: Mr. Ernie Viramontes, representing Large Area C, Mr. Cooper Henderson representing the New Mexico Athletic Directors Association and Mr. Jess Martinez representing the New Mexico Official Association.

Mr. Cleland stated that NMAA Executive Director Sally Marquez is attending eight Cooperative Educational Services Regional Meetings this fall and has encouraged all Athletic Directors to attend a session in their area. It is an opportunity for Athletic Directors to have an open forum type session with the NMAA Executive Director on issues and topics of interest to them as well as receive an overview of the Compete with Class initiative. On September 15th Ms. Marquez will be in Dora, September 17th in Bernalillo and September 25th in Aztec.

Mr. Chris Kedge, NMAA Assistant Director, discussed the success of the 2014 NMAA Foundation Golf Classic which was held June 2, 2014. There were 39 4-person teams participating and the event raised about \$2000. He also discussed the success of the 2nd annual NMAA Foundation Fun Run. 16 member schools participated and approximately \$2000 was raised toward scholarships for NM High School students. The 2015 Golf Classic will be held June 1, 2015 at The Canyon Club in Albuquerque.

Mr. Cleland reminded the members of the annual NMAA Fall Leadership Conference will be held October 12-14, 2014 at the Marriott Pyramid Hotel in Albuquerque. This conference is held in conjunction with the NM Athletic Directors Association. All attendees are required to submit a registration form prior to the conference. Deadline to register for the event is September 26, 2014.

Mr. Cleland thanked Ms. Ioane for the creation of the 2013-2014 State Champions PowerPoint that was shown during the Commission Meeting and introduced Mr. Tyler Dunkel, NMAA Sports Information Director, as the association's newest staff member.

NMAA Activities Report:

Ms. Dana Pappas, NMAA Deputy Director, reported that the Activities Council meeting was held on September 2, 2014. Mr. Don Gerheart was re-elected to serve as the committee chairperson. During the meeting members discussed the decline in the number of schools participating in events, although individual participation is either static or increasing. The members were reminded that schools must be a "member" school in order to participate in NMAA sanctioned activities. Activities are allowed to have a second "league" if the national charter allows it. The NMAA is still looking for a site to host the 2014 State Orchestra Contest which will be held on April 10-11, 2014. Ms. Pappas announced that Rio Rancho High School has been selected to host the 2015 National Student Council Conference. She also discussed the fact that many schools are doing away with newspapers and other publications. During the meeting Activities representatives were asked to submit their participation numbers to the Committee Chairperson, Mr. Don Gerheart so that he can compile a report to present to the committee during their January 2015 meeting. Minutes of the Activities Council meeting can be found on the NMAA website.

NMOA Report:

Ms. Pappas announced the success of the 2014 Officiate NM Day (held during the NASO Summit) which hosted over 600 officials. This was the largest meeting in the history of New Mexico and it was evaluated as one of the best clinics ever held. The NASO Summit was the largest event that NASO has

ever hosted with 82 professional sport organizations and the highest attendance ever for the Gold Whistle Banquet.

During the past summer, basketball camps were held in Albuquerque, Pojoaque, and Las Cruces, as well as the first camp in the NW region in over 15 years. Also held was the Basketball Referee Educational Forum. A composite evaluation is available for those who would like to view it.

The NMOA elected Jess Martinez of Albuquerque as the Association's president and Nate Acosta of Las Cruces as the Vice President. Ms. Pappas will meet with the newly elected president and vice-president to discuss future initiatives of the NMOA, including revision of the NMOA Constitution and Bylaws.

The NMOA is working towards hosting an Umpire Educational Forum in January that will be held in Las Cruces. They will be utilizing NM officials who have worked or currently work in MLB, D1, or D2 baseball. It will consist of a combination of classroom and field work which will be beneficial to NMOA Umpires. Ms. Pappas also announced the delay of the statewide Arbiter use and asked schools to submit feedback concerning Officials' evaluations and submission of HUDL/film for the evaluation process.

Ms. Pappas also announced an extreme shortage of officials and asked for help from the member schools to recruit individuals for their areas of the state.

General Discussion / Informational Items

Track and Field: Mr. Chris Kedge, NMAA Assistant Director, asked the Committee for feedback concerning the use of the Fully Automatic Timing (FAT) system and the goal to have all state qualifying meets be FAT timed. The discussion included cost of the system, cost of training, requests for a list of certified FAT trainers, and ideas on ways to gradually implement the system.

Track and Field: Mr. Kedge asked the members for feedback concerning the issue of certified officials who are also coaches and are officiating track meets. They discussed the current bylaw (7.22.2.C.7.b) which states, "If the director of a qualifying meet wishes to use a coach as the meet referee, at least THREE coaches from three different schools at the meet must be certified through the NMAA and all three must sign off on the results of the meet." A previous referendum was sent to members and passed with the wording: "Consider allowing track and field coaches to serve as meet referees provided that at least three coaches from three different schools are NMAA/NMOA certified track and field officials." Commission members asked that the wording be placed into the bylaw as previously approved.

Volleyball: Mr. Leonard Velasquez, Pecos High School Athletic Coordinator, asked the committee for feedback concerning Volleyball individual game limits. The members discussed the current limit of 5 games and how raising the limit to 6 might be beneficial to students. Ms. Marquez told the members that she will poll the volleyball coaches to get their feedback on the issue and will discuss the report during the November Commission meeting.

Spirit: Ms. Sally Marquez, NMAA Executive Director, asked the committee for feedback concerning moving the State Spirit Championships to December from March, as it is currently. Members discussed what they felt would be best for the student-athletes and the other sports that it would affect. They also discussed the possibility of a no contact period. Ms. Marquez will place this on the next meeting agenda as a discussion item.

Year Round Sports: Ms. Marquez asked the members to discuss the issue of year round sports (i.e. golf, tennis, spirit and swim/dive) and the idea of placing limitations on the amount of time sports can work with their athletes during a school year. They discussed the benefits to students including the ability to participate in multiple sports.

Break: 10:21-10:31

Golf: Mr. Bill Cleland, NMAA Associate Director, discussed a change in golf A /4A districts that will be presented to the NMAA Board as a result of changes in the number and location of schools that are participating.

Upcoming Commission and Board of Director elections for terms expiring December 31, 2014:

Commission:

Large, Area A – Bruce Carver

Small, Area D – David Campbell

Non-Public School Representative, - Pete MacFarlane

Board of Directors:

Small, Area D – Lesa Dodd

Large, Area A –Janel Ryan

Sport Specific Action Items:

Softball District Tie-Breaking Procedures: (Referenda Item) Mr. Scott Owen, NMAA Assistant Director, asked the members to consider a proposal to amend current softball district tie-breaking procedures to mirror baseball's tie-breaking procedures. The rationale for this proposal is that the current softball tie-breaking procedure contains a duplicate step (i.e. run differential among all district games) and this change will create a standard tie-breaking procedure between the sports of baseball and softball. Mr. Carver asked for a motion to accept the proposal. Mr. Henderson made a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Mr. Barreras seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

Officials' Fee Increase Proposal: Ms. Dana Pappas, NMAA Commissioner of Officials, asked the members to consider a proposal for a five percent (5%) pay increase across the board for officials. The rationale for the proposal is that the last pay increase for New Mexico officials was in 2004. Over the past 10 years, the NMOA has not requested a pay increase out of respect for tightened school budgets and the overall economic climate in New Mexico. After a decade, the NMOA Executive Board would like to request an increase of 5% across the board for its members for Varsity contests and a \$2 per game increase for JV/9th grade and junior high/middle school competition. Mr. Carver asked for a motion to accept the proposal. Mr. Barreras made a motion to accept the proposal as presented. Mr. Velasquez seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed unanimously (16-0).

Additional Comments:

Mr. Buster Mabrey, NMHSCA Executive Director, thanked everyone involved in the success of the 70th Annual High School Coaches Clinic. He was pleased to report that this year's number of registrants was the highest in the history of the clinic.

Adjourn

Mr. Carver asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Martin made the motion. Mr. Haston seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (16-0).

Next Commission Meeting Date

November 19, 2014 (NMAA)



New Mexico Activities Association

Commission Meeting



PROPOSAL TITLE

Action Item
 Discussion Item

Referenda Item
 Non-Referenda Item

Presenter: Joe Butler, NMAA Director of Tennis

Proposal: Tennis District Team Championship Scoring Format (7.21.2.B2).

1. In districts where the district champion is determined based on head-to-head 9-point matches between district teams (6 singles and 3 doubles) the match must be played to the full nine points. By agreement of the coaches at the match, or by district tennis rule determination, once a team has reached 5 points using regular scoring as required in 7.21.2.B2, the scoring for the remainder of the matches may be modified.
2. In districts where the district champion is based on a year-end district team tournament, matches are ended when one team earns 5 points in the 9-point format using regular scoring as required in 7.21.2.B2.

Rationale: Teams without sufficient numbers of courts, teams traveling great distance to play matches and districts that engage in season ending qualifying tournaments have found that completing the matches in a reasonable length of time is extremely difficult. Due to lack of court availability this past year many schools experienced starting matches at 3pm and not finishing until after 11pm. This scoring modification would shorten these matches but also provide for opportunity for all players on a team to compete

Budget Impact: None

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Attachments:



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Action Item
 Discussion Item

Referenda Item
 Non-Referenda Item

Presenter: Joe Butler, NMAA Director of Tennis

Proposal: Tennis District and State Team Doubles Substitution (NMAA 7.21.3.C8). Allow coaches to substitute doubles team members from the declared NMAA doubles lineup, without regard for the reason for substitution, as follows: A coach may substitute one member of the #1 doubles team with a member of the #2 doubles team (at the #1 doubles position) and/or substitute a member of the #2 doubles team with a member of the #3 doubles team (at the #2 doubles position) only. A coach may substitute one member of the #3 doubles team (in the #3 doubles team position) with any member of a lower declared team.

Rationale: Allow doubles lineup substitution, but within the stacking guidelines already established in the NMAA Tennis Handbook rules.

Budget Impact: None

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Attachments:



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PROPOSAL TITLE

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Referenda Item
 Non-Referenda Item

Presenter: Joe Butler, NMAA Director of Tennis

Proposal: Tennis District and State “Individual” singles and doubles competition (NMAA 7.21.3.E). Require in district and state individual singles and doubles tournament play, for semi-final matches a player or doubles team must complete the semi-final match in order to qualify to compete in the subsequent 3rd place match in the event. The NMAA Director of Tennis will have the final say in matters relating to this issue and whether a player is considered to have completed a semi-final match.

Rationale: To eliminate potential gamesmanship that occurs when singles players/doubles teams withdraw or default from a semi-final match in a district or state individual tournament in order to rest for a state qualifying 3rd place match.

Budget Impact: None

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Attachments:



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Action Item
 Discussion Item

Referenda Item
 Non-Referenda Item

Presenter: Joe Butler, NMAA Director of Tennis

Proposal: Tennis State Team Championship Scoring Format (7.21.3.C5). All first round state team matches, where a team is playing their first round in the tournament, will be played to the full nine points (6 singles and 3 doubles). However once a team has reached 5 points the remainder of the matches will play a 10-point tiebreaker in-lieu of a third set. Thereafter all matches in the state tournament will end when the first team reaches five points.

Rationale: To allow all members of a qualifying team to play at least one match at the state tournament, but to regulate the length of matches once the winner has been decided in order to end each day at a reasonable hour.

Budget Impact: None

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Attachments:



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State Swimming Relay Entries

Action Item
 Discussion Item

Referenda Item
 Non-Referenda Item

Presenter: Bill Cleland, NMAA Associate Director

Proposal:

Modify swimming relay entry requirements so that schools may enter teams into the state meet without individual names as per NFHS rules. Also, allow schools to identify one additional non-qualified athlete per state qualified relay team for entry into the competition.

Rationale:

Schools are currently allowed to designate 6 individuals for each of their state qualified Free Relay teams and 8 individuals for a Medley Relay team. “Alternates” have allowed schools to get more athletes into the facility but have also been a factor in the overcrowded conditions that exist at State.

In 2013, there were 496 athletes at the State Meet. Of those, 93 were entered only in relay events and did not compete in a single race. In 2014, there were 541 athletes at State. Of those, 120 were entered only in relay events and did not compete at all.

The Sport Specific committee feels that this change will ease some of the overcrowding while also giving coaches more flexibility to set their relay teams at the State Meet.

Budget Impact: None / slight

NMAA Staff Recommendation: Approve

Attachments:

None, but the pertinent section of the NFHS Rules Book reads as follows:

“By state association adoption, schools may enter their relay teams without individual names. It shall not count as an entry unless the competitor actually competes in the event. Any individual on the team may swim in the prelims, swim-offs and/or finals provided he/she does not exceed the permitted entries for the meet.”