NMAA Board Summary June 1, 2017

The New Mexico Activities Association's Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, June 1st in the NMAA Hall of Pride and Honor.

The Board of Directors elected Mr. T.J. Parks as President and Mr. Anthony Casados as Vice President for a two-year term.

The Board of Directors approved a contract extension for Executive Director, Sally Marquez, through the 2019-2020 school year.

Ms. Marquez gave her Director's Report which included information on a very successful 2016-2017 school year, a special thank you to the NMAA Board, Commission, Appeals, Hardship, and Classification/Alignment committees for their work, and a recognition of NMAA Assistant Director Scott Evans who will be retiring in June.

Business Manager Shari Kessler-Schwaner presented the NMAA Financial Report which included information from all state championships that occurred during 2016-2017 and an overview of ticket sales from these events.

Ms. Marquez discussed the 2017-2018 NMAA Budget with the Board of Directors. The Board voted to approve the budget as presented.

Deputy Director Dana Pappas presented the NMAA Activities Report which included information on the numerous activity events that occurred during the spring semester, the upcoming Music Advisory Council meetings, and an overview of the Student Leadership Advisory Committee members and their work.

Ms. Pappas presented the NM Officials Association Report which included information on the assignment process for State Basketball, the March Recruitment Symposium, the April Executive Board Meeting, and the upcoming State Clinic and Awards Banquet.

Ms. Marquez presented a discussion item pertaining to scholastic eligibility. She reported to the Board of Directors that the NMAA will be establishing a committee to look at scholastic eligibility as a whole to determine if the Association should consider updates to this area of its Handbook.

Santa Fe Indian School Athletic Director Eric Brock and representatives presented several items to the Board of Directors for discussion. These included the re-classification process, concerns about the multiplier and how it is applied to Native American boarding schools, and possible representation on the NMAA Board for Native American schools.

The Board of Directors took action on the following items:

-Voted in favor of a proposal to add NMAA Bylaw 7.15.1.L (25-second play clock in football).

-Voted in favor of a proposal to modify NMAA Bylaw 7.15.4.F (250-mile rule for state football).

-Voted in favor of a request by To'Hajiilee HS to be placed back into a District within 8-man Football in 2017.

-Voted in favor of a proposal to modify Bylaws 13.1.2 & 13.2.2 (Right of Appeal).

-Took the following action on recommendations made by the NMAA Classification & Alignment Committee (for the 2018-2019/2019-2020 school years):

*Voted in favor of a proposal to utilize specific enrollment number breakdowns for each class in all sports other than football.

*Voted in favor of an amended proposal to utilize specific enrollment number breakdowns in the sport of football.

*Voted in favor of a proposal to utilize a district format when aligning schools.

*Voted to table an item regarding District Tournaments in basketball & volleyball.

*Voted in favor of a proposal to drop from a 16-team to a 12-team format for the State Basketball & Baseball Tournaments

*Voted in favor of a proposal to adjust the NMAA calendar (football game start date and basketball season start date).

*A proposal to reduce games in all sports died due to the lack of a motion.

The next NMAA Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2017.