The New Mexico Activities Association’s Board of Directors met on Wednesday, February 19th in the NMAA Hall of Pride and Honor.

Sally Marquez gave her Director’s Report which included information on the upcoming winter championships and the progress of the newly formed sportsmanship committee that was put together to build a new a new sportsmanship initiative that will be launched in the fall of 2014.

Business Manager Shari Kessler-Schwaner presented the NMAA Financial Report which included information from the 2013 Fall Championships.

Deputy Director Dana Pappas presented the NMAA Activities Report which included information on the numerous state conferences/competitions that will take place over the next two months and information pertaining to the January 14th Activities Council Meeting.

Deputy Director Dana Pappas presented the NM Officials Association report which included information on the work the NMOA will be doing in conjunction with the NMHSCA summer camps, the upcoming 2014 NASO Summit to be hosted in Albuquerque, and the need to increase numbers of officials in all sports and how that directly correlates to retention of current officials.

NMAA staff and guest presenters then went over several discussion/informational items with the Board which included seeding/selection processes, scholastic eligibility, alternative school student participation, open enrollment, FAT timing in track, the NMAA governance structure, centralized football championships, determination of host sites for state football, football practice regulations, and the format of the Class A baseball tournament.

The Board of Directors took action on the following items:

-Voted against a proposal brought forth from the football sports specific committee regarding changes to the current “mercy rule”

-Passed a proposal to require each district member school to compete against the other in a dual meet format competition in the sport of Wrestling

-Passed a proposal to change the amount of match points assigned to a district dual meet for the purpose of seasonal match limitations in the sport of Wrestling

-Passed a proposal that requires each state qualifying wrestler to have a complete individual record uploaded to the NWCA/Track Wrestling online platform

-Passed the proposed classification and alignment for Class 6-Man, 8-Man, and 2A football for the 2014-2016 block

-An appeal from Foothill HS to move to a new district for the 2014-2016 classification and alignment block in the sport of Wrestling failed due to the lack of a motion

The next NMAA Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2014.