The New Mexico Activities Association’s Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, June 2 in the NMAA Hall of Pride and Honor.

Sally Marquez gave her Director’s Report which included information on the success of the 2015-2016 school year, the increase in attendance figures for state championship events, and special thanks to the staff and board for jobs well done.

Business Manager Shari Kessler-Schwaner presented the NMAA Financial Report which included information on all sport and activity financials for 2015-2016. The Board was then presented with the NMAA Budget for 2016-2017 which was approved.

Deputy Director / Commissioner of Officials Dana Pappas presented the NMAA Activities Report which included information on the numerous activity events that took place during the spring semester, the formation of a Student Leadership Advisory Committee, and the upcoming NFHS National Student Leadership Conference.

Executive Director Sally Marquez and NMAA Staff presented several discussion items to the Board of Directors which included 8th grade participation at the high school level, non-member private school participation, potential new sports/activities, the removal of Rodeo as a sanctioned activity, Senate Bill 137, and emergency medical personnel at football games. NMOA Official David Osuna also addressed the Board regarding the officials’ selection process for the State Basketball Tournament.

The Board of Directors took action on the following items:

- Voted in favor of the following proposals affecting the football section of the NMAA Handbook:
  * Adjust the football schedule submission deadline
  * Implement post-game protocols for spectators at football games
  * Require football coaches to become certified via USA Football’s Heads Up Program

- Voted in favor of the following proposals affecting the baseball section of the NMAA Handbook:
  * Adjust the protocol for determining home/visitor in the state quarterfinal match-ups
  * Adjust individual game limitations regarding participation as a courtesy runner
  * Adjust individual game limitations regarding innings of play
  * Require the use of wood/composite wood bats at the high school level
  * Adjust pitching restriction regulations

- Voted in favor of a proposal to modify the state golf qualifying formula

- Voted in favor of a proposal to add a small school team champion at the State Swim Meet

- Voted in favor of the following proposals affecting the wrestling section of the NMAA Handbook:
  * Require the use of Track Wrestling software for tournaments
  * Adjust the Class 4A & 5A qualifying numbers for State Wrestling

- Voted in favor of a proposal to require member schools to complete an annual student-athlete health and safety audit
-Voted in favor of proposals to modify the following NMAA Bylaws:
  * Bylaw 3.10.2 – District Handbooks
  * Bylaw 3.11.2 – Contract Agreements
  * Bylaw 6.4.1 – Open Enrollment Choice
  * Bylaw 6.6.2.G – Practice Regulations
  * Bylaw 6.7.4 & 6.7.5 – Parent to Parent
  * Bylaw 6.8.1 – Eligibility Retention
  * Bylaw 6.9.2.B – Did not Participate
  * Bylaw 7.4 – Out of Season Coaching
  * Bylaw 8.1.7 – Home School Teams

The next NMAA Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2016.