

NMAD Board Meeting

October 26, 2025

Time: 9 AM to 12 PM

Zoom Meeting ID: 891 2171 9904

Passcode: NMAD1970

Attendance: Ryan, Amy, Michael, Ryan, Dominic, and Mark

Absence: Meena

Community Members: 1

Meeting begins at 9:08 am

Approve the meeting minute from July 26th, 2025.

- Approved.

Officers' Report:

- President
 - Recognizes the NMSD Jr. NAD Chapter, Dominic Harrison, Nataly Fosneca-Cole, and several NMSD staff to plan the successful national 30th biennial national Jr. NAD conference.
 - Recognizes Ketura Martin for her hardwork project to donate the keychains to represent New Mexico to all Jr. NAD conference attendees. The keychains were awesome!
 - People have reached out to him about the New Mexico Legislature concerns. Would like to have us become more proactive to be attentive to the bills being created in the state legislature.
 - Recognizes the federal agencies being shut down that influences funding. However NM legislature focuses the funding that responds to the national and federal government agencies instead of accessibility. We should be able to monitor that and they will refocus on the accessibility concerns in 2027.
 - Everyone discusses the social media concerns relating to the National Association of the Deaf and NLTC (National Leadership Training Conference). Updates about the NAD's current status of board members, regions' proposed about President Lisa Rose' resignation. He signed the petition on behalf of the NMAD to ask President Lisa Rose to resign and hope to see positive changes within NAD. NLTC has been cancelled so there was a group of deaf leaders that decided to establish "Deaf Collabs 2025" to replace the NLTC to proceed with providing workshops and board meetings for NAD and other state association leaders.
 - Due to the new secretary position, we have appointed Dominic as our secretary after Skye moves out.
- Vice President
 - Been monitoring the bills being produced at the NM legislature and so far no impact.
 - Responsible for the Bylaws committee. He plans to continue to work on this with his bylaws committee on the go. We had a bylaws committee meeting but we only had 3 attendees, so we have to reschedule the meeting. He wants to expand the bylaws committee and encourages NMAD members to sign up. He will revisit the methods of

getting people's contact information to be part of the communication for upcoming meetings.

- Secretary
 - Will reclassify the board meeting and agenda meeting minutes with year, month, and date. It will become easier for future board members to track all minutes.
- Treasurer
 - Ryan takes over because Meena is not available due to her personal reasons.
 - Donated 1,000 to Jr. NAD conference.
 - Have around \$19,000 in the balance.
- Members at Large
 - Baker: contacts Ketura Martin about the winter fundraising sales - we will sell the coasters. Will work on different fundraising ideas such as stickers, ASL coloring books that focus on New Mexico.
 - Gomme: I will be leading the NMAD conference and will start to look into Las Cruces as one of our potential venues, and ABQ as plan B. will update next meeting.

Ad-Hoc Committees' Report:

- Sports
 - This motion was passed in July 2024, we will assign a NMAD member and MAL to work together.
- NMAD Conference
 - The conference will happen in Las Cruces as plan A and Albuquerque as plan B.
 - Since we will have NAD conference in 2026, we must host the biennial conference before that, which mentioned in the NMAD bylaws.
- Fundraising
 - We will need to revisit how to set up the fundraising events by involving NMAD members to help out.
 - We will need to look at different locations for fundraising efforts.
 - Will need to get additional support from NMAD members to do the fundraising efforts.

Old Business:

- NMAD Fundraising Opportunities
 - Dominic Harrison: We plan to sell the frito pie sales during the Roadrunner Classic tournament at NMSD on December 12th and 13th.
- NMAD Website and Gmail Account
 - Amy Gomme: it took a long time to set it up after their verification process. We were able to have our Gmail accounts! It will be based on NMAD1970.org. It will become easier to transition and pass it over to next board teams. We were able to connect Gmail and the Website. I have been working on updating and revising the website to ensure that we have documents being accessible for NMAD members and for the public. We will have different pages that are located for members only, board members only, etc. We will be able to assign a badge on specific member(s) for perks and incentives. I will continue to work on the website to ensure it becomes a good quality website for everyone. The website is good for 3 years and donated \$821 for us.
 - Scott Gentry mentioned that he is a webmaster who would like to help out with designing the website for NMAD. He wanted to participate as a committee member to keep up with the website for the members.

- Amy's next step is to seek the feedback from board members for what features or information being developed on the website before she can set up the website committee.

New Business:

- Social Hour with NMAD
 - Dominic Harrison moved to set up the bimonthly social hour event with NMAD starting in 2026.
 - Amy Gomme amended to replace "bimonthly" to "at least 4 times". Dominic seconded. The amendment was passed by the majority.
 - New motion: set up social hour events with NMAD at least four times starting in 2026. The motion was passed.
- Appointment of Interim NMAD Member at Large
 - Amy Gomme moved to distribute an ASL video log and set the new deadline for interests by November 14th from new Google Account. The motion was passed.

Announcements:

- NMAD Committee Guidelines
 - We, the board members, will set up the guidelines and expectations for the NMAD committees to follow. It includes the transition plan between board members too.
 - They will benefit the committees to be familiar with expectations, quality of meetings, deadlines, commitment, et cetera.
- Annual Roadrunner Classic (basketball tournament) will happen on Friday/Saturday, December 12th and 13th.

Meeting Adjournment at 10:31 AM.