

## **NMAD Board Meeting**

**March 14, 2026**

**Time:** 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

**Attendance:** Ryan Means, Dominic Harrison, Amy Gomme, and David Jessup

**Absence:** Mark Lucero-Muniz

**Community Members:** James Toohey, Ketura Martin, Lisa McNiven, Joseph “JoJo” Lopez III, Paul Lucero

Meeting begins at 1:05 PM

### **Approve the meeting minutes from December 20, 2025**

- It has been approved by the board members.

### **Officers' Report:**

- **President**
  - 2026 NAD Conference: June 30-July 5
    - NMAD will send two delegates based on current membership numbers.
    - Ketura will attend as a conference volunteer, marking her second time representing New Mexico in this capacity.
    - Members are encouraged to email [president@nmad1970.org](mailto:president@nmad1970.org) or [board@nmad1970.org](mailto:board@nmad1970.org) with any inputs or suggestions for the conference.
    - Members are encouraged to attend NAD conference and sign up for workshops focused on leadership, education, accessibility.
  - Live updates will be posted throughout the conference by the President and Vice President of NMAD.
    - NAD CEO Search Update
      - Bobbie Beth Scoggins is serving as the current interim CEO
      - Following a previously unsuccessful search due to leadership issues, NAD has partnered with Innive Strategies to facilitate a second round search.
      - The application period is closed. The goal is to narrow the pool to two finalists by mid April
      - A virtual community forum will be held with the two finalists. All members are encouraged to participate before the Board conducts final in person interviews
      - A permanent CEO may be in place by the June conference. Updates are available at [nad.org](http://nad.org)
    - NMCDHH Updates
      - Executive Director Nathan Gomme is leading a national effort to oppose a premature sunset of analog TTY services before 2030 broadband goals are met
      - The online application for the Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program is live in English and Spanish language.

- 619 devices have been distributed to the date and a pilot program for smart captioning glasses is underway.
    - 8,835 communication barriers were addressed this year.
    - Quarterly totals include 1,870 SSP hours and 235.75 CF hours
    - In partnership with APD, new domestic violence resources featuring ASL videos and QR codes are now available
  - NM ASL Night Report
    - The event was a success with over 75 attendees
    - Partnered with the NMSD Jr. NAD chapter
    - Revenues will be split 50/50 with the Jr. NAD chapter to support future youth leadership opportunities.
- **Vice President**
  - Know Your Right Immigration Webinar
    - Vancro led two training sessions regarding ICE and immigration rights on Feb 26 and March 6
    - A pre-recorded version of the presentation with a Picture In Picture interpreter will be released to the community soon
  - ByLaws Committee
    - Sign up links for the Bylaws committee will be emailed and posted on Facebook shortly. Membership is required to join. Contact VP or Secretary for assistance with registration?
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  - March Madness Fundraiser update
    - A Virtual fundraiser is underway. Informational videos regarding bracket sign up and rules are available in email and Facebook.
    - Team selections will be announced on Sunday evening. Preorders accepted. Completed bracket must be submitted by Tuesday March 17th
    - Direct inquiries to [board@nmad1970.org](mailto:board@nmad1970.org)
- **Secretary**
  - No report.
- **Treasurer**
  - Financial Report
    - \$125 earned from Super Bowl Event
    - \$321.25 earned from New Mexico ASL Night Event
- **Members at Large**
  - Super Bowl Report
    - 50+ people showed up
    - Venue offered us space for future events
  - NMAD AGM/Conference updates/and committee

- I was able to connect with NMSU and identified that we will need to be able to schedule a conference in August 2026 due to time constraints. I will need to ask to have a special general meeting to allow us to have a conference after the 2026 NAD conference.
  - NMAD Website Report/and committee
    - We will review and revise the information on the website.
    - We also will need to revise what tabs we want to see on the website.

**Old Business:**

- None.

**New Business:**

- Ryan Means moved NMAD not to sponsor the CTI conference but would sponsor individual interpreters to reduce their registration fee through local agencies in the state of New Mexico up to \$1,000.
  - The motion was unanimously passed.
- David Jessup moved to set up the Spring Bazaar event in Las Cruces on May 2 and 3, 2026.
  - The motion was not passed.
- David Jessup moved to set up the Summer Bazaar event in Albuquerque on June 5th to 7th 2026.
  - The motion failed because of a lack of a second.
- Amy Gomme moved to reschedule the NMAD conference from April 2026 to August 2026.
  - The motion was not made.
- Amy Gomme moved to have NMAD schedule a special general meeting to discuss the conference and general meeting pending board members' availability.
  - The motion was unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:21 PM

**Announcements:**

- Dominic updated the board that NMSD Jr. NAD Chapter is in the processing of getting the full green light to host the 5K Run/Walk and Carnival event in May 2026. NMSD Jr. NAD Chapter also asked NMAD to coordinate the vendors.
- Dominic also shared that there are several upcoming community events held by NMSD Jr. NAD chapter in April and May.