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Minutes
Athletic Council
January 8, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 a.m. at the Vacaville Department of Educational Alternatives Office by Joan Mumaugh. All Athletic Directors were present except Dave Shipp. Jim Costan represented Vintage.

- I Winter Sports
 - A. Basketball – No Report
 - B. Wrestling – No Report
- II Spring Sports
 - A. Golf
 - A new schedule addressing all of the “Spring Breaks” was presented. This will be an emergency item at the Board of Managers meeting.
 - B. Badminton
 - The pre-season coaches meeting will be arranged by Brian King.
 - C. Girls Soccer
 - 1. Napa and Vintage will be at Raider Field.
 - 2. Armijo JV at 5:30 and the Varsity at 7:00. Admission will be charged.
 - 3. Vacaville JV at 5:30 and Varsity at 7:30. Admission will be charged.
 - D. Track
 - The pre-season meeting will be Wednesday, January 28th at 5:00p.m. in room 55 at Vacaville High School.
 - E. Swimming
 - The pre-season meeting will be Monday February 9th at 6:00 p.m. in Room K-9 at Fairfield High School.
- III Fall Sports – No Report
- IV Schedules 2009 - 2010
 - A. Volleyball -- Reversed home/away.
 - B. Soccer – Created a new rotation.
 - C. Water Polo – Reversed home/away.
 - D. Cross Country
 - 1. Reversed home/away.
 - 2. Created a new rotation so each school is starting with a different opponent that in 2008.
 - 3. Exchanged the center meet and League meet sites.
 - E. Basketball
 - 1. Reversed home/away.
 - 2. Rival game
 - a. Boys play 1st round on a Friday and 2nd round on Thursday.
 - b. Girls play 1st round on a Thursday and 2nd round on Friday.

- V Section Material
- A. Items handed outs
 - 1. 2009 – 2010 Reference Guide
 - 2. 2009 – 2010 Calendar
 - 3. 2009 – 2010 Section Division I North Wrestling Tournament will be hosted by Vintage High School.
 - B. Realignment
 - 1. The first draft of the proposed Section League realignment was distributed.
 - 2. The MEL will become a 7-team league with the addition of Rodriguez.
 - 3. Modesto Metro is currently the only other Division I league with 7 teams. Joan will contact the commissioner of Modesto Metro and suggest a possible league agreement for the by dates in football.
 - C. Dale Lacky
 - 1. Applications are due to Joan by Thursday, March 5th.
 - 2. Remind the student applicants that the essay is a critical piece of the application.
 - D. Backup Material
 - 1. Section
 - a. Revision of by-law 501.7 (filming) -- The MEL football coaches voted 5 – 1 against this proposal.
 - b. Addition of two schools to SMAL
 - 2. State -- Expansion of the State basketball play-offs.

- VI Other
- A. Meeting Dates

1. January 14	Board of Managers	Armijo High School.
2. January 28	Section Realignment	Stockton.
3. February 5	Athletic Council	
 - B. 9th Grade Eligibility

A lengthy discussion took place regarding how each district dealt with incoming 9th grader eligibility. In the MEL, one district requires 9th graders to enter high school with a 2.0 GPA in order participate in athletics; one district deems all 9th graders eligible when entering high school and one district has a 9th grade waiver system for those students with less than a 2.0 GPA.

Meeting Adjourned 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Mumaugh
MEL Commissioner