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Minutes
Athletic Council
Vacaville Department of Educational Alternatives Office
February 7, 2008

Commissioner Joan Mumaugh called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. All Athletic directors were in attendance.

- I Baseball / Softball Officials – No Report
- II Winter Sports
 - A. Basketball
 - 1. Mid season power ratings are available on the Section web site.
 - 2. Currently there is a tie for first in girls’ basketball between Wood and Napa. Fairfield is currently in first place for the boys’ teams.
 - 3. The All League meeting will be held Monday, February 18th at Armijo High.
 - B. Wrestling
 - 1. Vacaville won the League duals and then won the Section Dual Tournament.
 - 2. Fred handed out the wrestling schedule for 2008 – 2009. This will be approved at the April Board of Managers meeting.
- III Spring Sports
 - A. Track Meeting
 - 1. The pre-season meeting was held February 4th and all schools were represented.
 - 2. The incident from last season’s finals day was discussed at the League Coaches meeting with following recommendations:
 - a. Athletes who do not finish an event or are disqualified would go on the list for alternates.
 - b. Athletes and Coaches are responsible to check with the clerk on the final day to submit “non-finishers” on the list of alternates.
 - c. Each coach should make every effort to let the other coaches know if one of their qualifiers will not be competing (which would create an opening for an alternate).
 - 3. The Athletic Council will, once again, revisit the “disqualified” athlete eligibility to be considered as an alternate at the March meeting.
 - 4. Field events at dual meets were discussed. Signing up for field events considerations:
 - a. Long jump and triple jump sign ups close at the “gun” of the last 1600 meter race.
 - b. For all field events (except LJ and TJ), when competition starts for the event in each division, then there will be no additional competitors.
 - 5. League Meet – Expenses after gate receipts, for the 2-day meet will be shared by all 6 schools.
 - B. Sites for Competition -- The listing of the competition sites for the spring sports are available on the MEL web site (www.melsjs.org).

- C. Tennis Schedule
 - 1. The tennis schedule will remain as approved even though there is League competition scheduled during “Spring Break”. Each school is encouraged to adjust their schedule for that week by mutual agreement.
 - 2. The League Tournament will be held at the Solano Athletic Club in Fairfield.
- D. Sports Meetings
 - 1. Girls Soccer – Coaches Meeting Monday February 25 at 6:00 p.m. Room 9 Vacaville High.
 - 2. Badminton – Coaches Meeting Tuesday February 19 at 7:00 p.m. Armijo Library.
- E. Swimming / Diving
 - 1. Vintage will host both League diving and League swimming.
 - 2. The start times for the League meet April 24, 25, 26 are as follows:
 - a. Diving..... April 24 9:00 a.m.
 - b. Swim Trials April 25 12:00 p.m.
 - c. Swim Finals..... April 26 9:00 a.m.

Warm-ups begin one hour before the start time for each day.

- IV Fall Sports
 - A. Frosh Football – Brian is requesting the League consider playing “League Competition” during weeks 6, 7, and 8. The format of the schedule will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - B. Water Polo
 - 1. Mike Dailey submitted the 2008 schedule that again includes Benicia, Bethel and Rodriquez.
 - 2. The schedule is basically a reversal of the 2007 Home and Away.
 - 3. MEL schools will not compete against coed teams.
 - V Section Tournament Directors
 - A. Division I Tennis Girls (11/13-14) Boys (5/14-15) Dave Shipp -- Vintage
 - B. Division I North Girls Golf Don Trollinger -- Wood
 - VI Spring Break 2009
 - A. Napa Unified will have “Spring Break” March 23-27.
 - B. Fairfield schools and Vacaville schools have no date at this time.
 - VII Dale Lackey
 - A. The schools are reminded that the dead line for applications is Thursday, March 6th.
 - B. Each school may nominate one male and one female athlete.
 - VIII Other
 - A. Section Meeting
 - 1. Contract language for officials – approved.
 - 2. Section Hall of Fame – approved.
 - 3. Expansion of CIF Football Bowl Game – approved.
- Non-voting items – (Will be voting items in April)
- 1. Volleyball revision – No questions or discussion.
 - 2. Mike Garrison from Rocklin H.S. was nominated for President-elect – He accepted.
- B. Next Meeting – Thursday, March 6th.
 - C. Badminton – Davis will compete as part of the SCAC this season. Fairfield does not field a team so each school will have a “bye” when scheduled against Fairfield.
 - D. Winter/Spring Start Date
 - 1. Sierra foothill League is suggesting the Section review the November 10th and February 10th season start dates.
 - 2. The MEL is in support of having the review take place.

Meeting adjourned 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Mumaugh

MEL Commissioner