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Minutes
Athletic Council
3-Oaks Community Center
April 6, 2005

Commissioner Joan Mumaugh called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m..

Present: All athletic directors were in attendance.

I Spring Sports

A. Badminton

Gail brought to the Council that the league tournament format listed in the by-laws was incorrect because it was the configuration used when the MEL had 12 schools. Gail suggested that by-law 14.4-11 should read: "The first place team will bring 3 singles and 3 doubles plus their choice of an additional single or doubles. The second place team will bring 3 singles and doubles plus an additional singles or doubles, whichever the first place team does *not* bring. The third place team will bring 3 singles and 3 doubles. All remaining teams will bring 2 singles and 2 doubles." After a short discussion, Scott Kostecka motioned to accept the recommended change in by-law 14.4-11 as outlined by Gail. Second by Maryanne Christoffersen. Vote Unanimous. This will be an emergency item on April 20th Board of Managers agenda.

B. Baseball – No report.

C. Golf

League tournament will be Thursday, May 5th at Hiddenbrook. Start time 11:30 a.m.

D. Soccer

The by-laws state that Varsity plays first (even after daylight savings time change) unless *mutual* agreement moves the J.V. game first with Varsity to follow.

E. Softball

1. Reminder that 2006 softball rule changes require:
 - a. All batting helmets to have face guards.
 - b. First base must be a double bag that allows the runner to cross a bag without colliding with the baseman.
2. Napa Varsity softball will continue to play at Kennedy Park because their on campus field will not be available this season. J.V. will continue to play at Napa High.

F. Swimming / Diving

1. League meets will be at the following locations
 - a. Diving: Thursday, April 28th, Vacaville High
 - b. Swimming: Friday/Saturday, April 29/30, Napa Valley College.
2. Liza Saunders has sent information and meet forms to all coaches.
3. Patrick will forward via email the swimming/diving information to all Athletic Directors.
4. Vacaville will send parking instructions to ADs for the April 28th diving meet.
5. SCAC has requested that Vallejo High be allowed to dive and be scored during the MEL meet. Vallejo would not be scored as part of MEL but independently, for the purpose of qualifying for diving sub-sections. All Athletic Directors agreed this would be okay. Joan will send a message to Liza Saunders so she can contact SCAC.

G. Tennis

1. The League tournament will be May 5, Singles and May 6, Doubles.
2. If the tournament goes to May 7th because of weather delay, Maryanne Christoffersen will be unable to attend. The Vintage coach will run the meet on May 7th.

H. Track – No report.

II Fall Sport

Bill Ewing will email the corrected 2005 Cross Country schedule to all ADs.

III Winter Sports – No report.

IV Banners

Larry Rouss of Neff briefly attended the meeting. Larry will send a sample of a vinyl and felt banners to Joan for the next meeting. Larry will also include a price for each type of banner.

V Section Back Up

Joan handed out copies of the Section back-up material. There was a brief discussion regarding: season of sport, volleyball “libero” recommendation and coaching education program under conditions of membership.

ADs were asked to be prepared to speak to areas on the agenda that are part of their expertise.

VI Other

A. Schedules

1. In order for 2006 Spring schedules to be created, the different Spring break dates were needed. Spring breaks for 2006: March 20 – 24 (Napa/Vintage), April 10-14 (Armijo, Vacaville, Wood), and April 17-21 (Davis).
2. Coaches were asked to bring proposed Spring schedules for 2006 to April 20 Board of Managers meeting. These schedules will be an emergency item.

B. Dale Lackey

1. The MEL recipients were Tamar Gruwell (Vacaville) and Jonathon Santopadre (Vacaville). Both MEL nominees were selected to receive the higher \$1,000 award.
2. Joan returned the applications that were not sent forward to the Section.

C. Section Fees

Joan gave each school an invoice for their share of Section fees: Track, Boys/Girls Tennis and Volleyball.

D. Future meetings

1. Wednesday, April 20th. Board of Managers, Armijo High School, 8:30 a.m.
2. Wednesday May 4th, Athletic Council
3-Oaks Community Center, 8:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Mumaugh
MEL Commissioner