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Minutes  
Athletic Council  
Elm School  
129 Elm Street, Vacaville  
November 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m.

All Athletic Directors were present except Brian King, John Lammon and Mike Papadopoulos.

I Fall Sports

A. Football –

1. The All League football meeting is Tuesday, November 12 at 7 p.m. room 55 at Vacaville High School.
2. All nominations sheets are to be sent to Ed Santopadre, Principal at Vacaville High.
3. By-law 1.23 Exchange of Films needs to be updated in section 1.23.3 to read:  
All teams will exchange unedited film of Friday games by 11:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. Unedited films of Saturday games will be exchanged by 11 a.m. on Sunday. The receiving coaches may choose films to be exchanged. Films may be exchanged at a time other than 11:00 a.m. by mutual agreement.

B. Volleyball—No Report

C. Soccer

1. Three M.E.L. play-off teams were Vintage, Napa and Vacaville.
2. Soccer coaches are interested in developing and Senior Showcase game between the MEL and SCAC. The game would take place after Section playoffs. Brad Burzynki, the Armijo coach will contact SCAC and see if there is interest within their soccer program for such a game. Andrea will get back to the Athletic Council if things progress.
3. It was noted by the coaches that not all the schools entered their results into MaxPrep as required by the Section. The Section seeding committee uses the MaxPrep site as part of the seeding information for playoffs.

D. Tennis

1. Armijo finished the season undefeated and represented the MEL in the Section team tournament.
2. The eventual MEL singles champion was Betsy Samonte from Rodriguez and doubles champions were Julia Deponte and Kennedy Buriani from Vacaville

E. Water Polo

1. The water polo all league meeting will be held Thursday November 14<sup>th</sup> at Rodriguez High. All the water polo coaches have been notified.

F. Golf—No Report

- G. Cross Country –
  - 1. The league meet at Lagoon Valley went fine.
  - 2. By-law updates to read:
    - 2.4 – the league tournament shall be held the week before the Sac-Joaquin Section meet and two (2) points will be awarded for each team finishing below a team.
    - 2.7—League center meets shall begin at 3:30.
    - 2.8.2 – Omit
    - 2.10—all league patches will be awarded to the top eight (8) finishers in the league meet.
    - 2.11—Omit. Renumber sections 2.12 and 2.13

## II Winter Sports

### A. Basketball

- 1. The pre-season meeting was at Armijo High. The Rodriguez boys' coach was not in attendance.
- 2. Some of the coaches did not bring the 5 copies of their schedule for distribution to the other coaches in the league.

### B. Wrestling

- 1. The MEL and SCAC novice tournament will be held at Vallejo High on November 27<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. The MEL league meet will be held at Armijo High on Saturday February 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. Napa will host the wrestling league meet in the 2014-15 school year.
- 4. Thor Jensen will be the MEL wrestling representative.
- 5. By-Law changes:

- a. The insertion of pre weigh-ins language:

5.14-- "Prior to weigh-ins for a league dual, coaches shall conduct a random draw for the starting weight class for weigh-ins and the meet. Dual meet weigh-in shall begin with the random draw selected weight class, proceeding through the weight classes, wrapping around through the lowest weights. The dual meet shall then begin with the weight class randomly drawn preceding weigh-ins. "

## III Spring Sports – No Report

## IV Other

### A. End of Season Standings

All final standings, and All League recipients need to be sent to Joan via email as soon as possible after the all league meeting for each sport.

### B. Model Coach – There were two nominees for Model Coach. The selection committee sent Troy Mott's application to the Section as the M.E.L. candidate. The committee also sent Steve Green's application as an Honorary Model Coach.

### C. League Dues -- All 6 schools have submitted their dues

### D. The next meeting is Thursday December 19, 2013 at Elm School.

### E. Schedules 2014 – 2015

- 1. Fall and Winter schedules should be available for review at the December meeting. Please bring copies for all council members.
- 2. On the schedules the schools need to be listed in alphabetical order.
- 3. 2014-15 is the beginning of the new realignment so schedule order needs to be rotated.

F. Exchange of Schedules

There was a discussion regarding whether AD's should just email season of sport schedules or whether each school AD should provide hard copies to the other schools. Although each school has limited budgets it was decided that hard copies were important. In addition it was decided that the AD would send each of the other ADs an electronic copy of their schedules that could be distributed to the coach of each specific sport.

The spring schedules for this year will be distributed at the February 6<sup>th</sup> Athletic Council meeting. For 2014-15 school year the schedules will be distributed at the following Athletic Council meetings:

Fall schedules—---August meeting  
Winter schedules--November meeting  
Spring schedules—February meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30.

Respectfully submitted

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MEL Commissioner