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Minutes
Athletic Council
Elm School
129 Elm Street, Vacaville
February 6, 2014

Commissioner Joan Mumaugh called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Present: All Athletic Directors were present except

I Winter Sports

A. Basketball

1. The all league meeting will be Monday February 24 in the Armijo High health room. The girls' coaches will be at 6:00 pm and the boys' coaches will meet at 7:00 pm.

B. Wrestling

1. The league meet will be Saturday February 15th at Armijo. The pre-meet meeting will be Thursday February 13 at 7pm in the Armijo health classroom. All proceeds after acceptable expenses (see MEL bylaw 0.26) will be sent to the league along with the financial statement.

2. At one of the dual meets this year one team only suited a single varsity player. Wrestling bylaw 5.8 doesn't clearly state that if only one person weighs in at a certain weight class that person must wrestle varsity. It has been the practice in the MEL to always have a varsity competitor assigned before a JV competitor.

3. Michael Clarkson will talk with the coaches during the MEL meeting on February 13th reminding them that communication between schools is the key to getting varsity matches in place for dual meets.

II Spring Sports

A. Badminton

1. The preseason meeting was held at Napa High and the date for the league tournament was set for Saturday May 10th at Vacaville High with a start time of 8:00am.

2. With the addition of Davis High to the league schedule an adjustment to by-law 14.5-2 is warranted. The recommendation is the by law read, " The first and second place teams will bring 3 singles players and 3 doubles teams. All other teams will bring 2 singles players and 2 doubles teams. Napa motioned to accept the recommended change to bylaw 14.5-2, second by Vacaville. Vote unanimous.

B. Softball

Vintage has two mutual agreement changes to their softball schedule, with Armijo game moving to 3/17 and Rodriguez game moving to 4/7.

C. Girls Soccer

1. The coaches meeting was at Vacaville High. Coaches are reminded that they need to enter their schedule, roster and W/L for each game.

2. The girls soccer coaches are recommending that soccer go to a double round robin from the current triple round robin. This will be a Board of Managers item for April.
3. Brad Burzynki (Armijo) is still working on the MEL/SCAC Senior showcase for the soccer programs. At this point Brad has not found a SCAC coach to head the event for that league.

D. Golf

1. The MEL will host the May 5th Section tournament at Rancho Solano golf course. The cost will be \$28 per player, which includes range balls and lunch. There will be a shotgun start for the tournament.
2. John Lammon will contact the SCAC golf representative to set a meeting regarding alternating league dual competition dates (M/W or T/Th) for next year and beyond. If there is a problem, John will contact Joan and she will work with the commissioner of the SCAC.

E. Swimming

1. Vacaville schools requested that the 2014MEL tournament at the end of the season be moved as it currently is scheduled during school district's spring break. Michael Clarkson contacted the swim coaches and an alternate schedule was suggested. Vacaville motioned to accept the new schedule, second by Wood. Vote unanimous.
2. The swim coaches have a meeting tonight (2/6) in room E9, 5pm at Vintage High. The coaches will be informed of the new schedule that is now in place.

F. Tennis

Coaches need to be reminded that their ladder is due before the 1st round starts March 3rd.

G. Track

The MEL league meet will be held at Armijo T/Th May13 & 15. On Wednesday May 14 Vacaville will host the trials and finals for discus and pole vault.

III. Fall Sports

A. Volleyball

1. The coaches suggest two bylaw changes.
 - a. Bylaw 11.2 should read, " Minimum times allowed Fr/Soph and Varsity matches will be: seven (7) minutes shared, six (6) minutes for serving team, and six (6) minutes for receiving team. Strike: " two minutes shared serving."
 - b. Bylaw 11.9 should read that Section playoff representatives will be determined by Section rules. Bylaw 11.10, 11.10-1, 11.10-2 and 11.10-3 should be eliminated, as power ratings are no longer used for playoff representation.
 - c. Vacaville motioned to accept the bylaw changes, second by Armijo. Vote unanimous.

IV. Spring Schedules 2014-15

- A. Badminton—adjusted the competition order and reversed H/A.
- B. Girls Soccer—follows the boys' soccer order of competition. The section competition days are M/W/F. MEL will play W/F.
- C. Softball—Moved the 4th week to top and reversed H/A.
- D. Track—Moved the 2nd week to top and reversed H/A.
- E. Baseball, Tennis, Swimming and Girls Soccer, AD will send 2015 schedule via email.

V. Spring Break 2015

A. The school districts have declared the following spring breaks:

1. Fairfield and Napa March 30-April 3
2. Vacaville April 6-April 10

B. The league will recognize the week of March 30- April 3 as spring break.

VI. Dale Lacky

Nomination packets are due to Joan no later than Monday February 24.

VII. Other

A. Meetings

1. Athletic Council: Thursday March 13. The April 10th meeting has been changed to Wednesday April 9th.

2. Board of Mangers: Wednesday April 16th at Rodriguez High. Vacaville will be in charge of refreshments.

B. Patches and Banners—basketball and wrestling awards were distributed to the AD in charge of the sport.

C. Tennis Schedule 2014—reminder that a replacement schedule was sent out after the last Board of Managers.

D. Website—We are still making adjustments to the site information. Andrea has volunteered to format all the schedules for 2014-15 so that they will appear the same on the website. Joan will send the approved schedules to Andrea so she can get started on the project.

E. Rodriguez—Michael Clarkson is stepping down as the AD and John Pizzo will be the athletic director and responsible for meetings, schedules, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Mumaugh

M.E.L. Commissioner