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Minutes
Athletic Council
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**PURSUING** 

VICTORY WITH HONOR

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

Present: All Athletic Directors present, except Cam Neal, Thomas Sims and Eddie Wilson

- I Winter Sports
  - A. Basketball--NR
  - B. Soccer--NR
  - C. Wrestling—NR
- II Spring Sports
  - A. Boys Golf
    - 1. The MEL league tournament #1 will be March 22nd at Silverado. The tournament will have tee time starts from 9:30-11:00. Cost per player is \$30.
- III Fall Sports

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A. Volleyball

There was a question as to the final standings as listed on the website. After contact with the volleyball coaches by the respective ADs it was determined that Vintage finished 4<sup>th</sup> and Armijo finished 5<sup>th</sup>. A correction will be made to the web site regarding final standings and school of year points.

#### B. Cross Country

At a Section meeting of the league representatives the main conversation revolved around the running courses at sub-sections in Angels Camp. The consensus of the representatives was that the rain course, which has fewer sharp turns and the hills are not as steep, should be the regular course for sub sections. It was determined that the league reps get a vote from their coaches and if the majority of the leagues prefer the rain course than a change could be made for next year.

## 1V Schedules 2017-18 Fall and Winter

All tentative schedules for the sports listed below were reviewed by the ADs that were present. Each school will review the proposed schedules with their respective coaches and get any recommendations to the AD in charge. Final schedule presentation is scheduled for the January meeting

A. Cross Country—A schedule was presented that reflected the addition of Fairfield and Vanden and the deletion of Napa and Vintage from the MEL. The schedule also had the center meet and the MEL championships at Lagoon Valley. The associated cost of using Lagoon Valley for the 2 meets will be approximately \$100 per school.

- B. Football—The schedule reflects the change of teams participating in the MEL. The rival schools will be Armijo-Fairfield, Vacaville-Wood and Rodriguez and Vanden.
- C. Girls Golf-- The schedule reflects the change of teams participating in the MEL. The two MEL league tournament venues not yet decided.

#### D. Tennis

- 1. The schedule reflects the change of teams participating in the MEL. Kevin will work with Beth to create a schedule that will mirror volleyball for transportation ease. Tennis competition days will be Tuesday/Thursday for 2018.
- 2. The MEL championships will need a venue for next year. At this point it looks like Fairfield High has the greatest number of playing courts. The final determination of site will be discussed at the January meeting.

## E. Volleyball—

1. The schedule reflects the change of teams participating in the MEL. For 2018 the competition days are Tuesday/Thursday. Tennis will mirror the volleyball schedule as closely as possible for transportation for those schools needing to combine the trips.

#### F. Water Polo-

- 1. Fairfield and Dixon will join Armijo and Rodriguez to complete the 4- school bylaw for recognizing a league sport.
- 2. The Section will notify the MEL in January if they are going to place Davis in the MEL for water polo.
- 3. Tracy will have an alternate 5-team schedule as well as any changes made to the 4-team schedule for the January meeting.
- G. Basketball—Eddie was unable to attend the meeting but sent a tentative schedule to me, which I forwarded to all ADs. All concerns and recommendations for changes need to sent to Eddie before the January meeting.
- H. Soccer— Eddie was unable to attend the meeting but sent a tentative schedule to me, which I forwarded to all ADs. All concerns and recommendations for changes need to sent to Eddie before the January meeting.

### I. Wrestling—

- 1. Fred presented two possible dual competition schedules for wrestling in 2019. One schedule has the dual meets starting in December 3<sup>rd</sup>, while the second schedule has the dual meets starting December 12<sup>th</sup>. Both schedules end January 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- 2. Fred also presented a schedule that would begin on January 9<sup>th</sup> and end January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Each week one rival match would take place and the other 4 schools would meet at one site to compete in a double dual meet. This particular schedule would recognize the rivals for competition strength as: Armijo/Rodriguez, Fairfield/Vanden and Vacaville/Wood.
  - 3. At the January meeting the ADs will determine which schedule to move forward with for 2019.

#### V Other

#### A. Spring Schedules for 2018-19

- 1. AD's need to bring the spring schedule for their respective sport at the January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- 2. Spring break will be determined at the January meeting if the Districts have release the needed information.

# B. Next Meetings

- 1. Athletic Directors January 18<sup>th.</sup>
- 2. Board of Managers January 24<sup>th</sup>; Wood responsible for refreshments

#### C. Scholar Athlete

Dale Lackey Scholar Athlete now known as CSEA Scholar Athlete is due to the Section office by March 12<sup>th</sup>. The nominations will be due to Joan no later than March 5<sup>th</sup>.

## D. Section Information—first Reading items:

#### 1 Football

- a. Change the size of playoff brackets to 12 teams for divisions I-VI. The top 4 teams would have a first round bye.
- b. Change the automatic qualifiers per league from 2 to 1. The change would add more at large berths and create the possibility of more competitive competition. Delta and SFL will one qualify an additional team. The eight leagues that have had the best playoff-winning % over the past three seasons will also receive an additional playoff entry.
- 2. Water Polo—Adjust the dead period for water polo to allow the coaches that coach both high school and outside teams to coach their outside teams (which may include their high school students) during the Junior National qualifying period.
- 3. Soccer--Proposal allowing schools to choose to play in either the winter or boys in the fall and girls in the spring.
- 4. Cross Country—Proposal is if a school wins a section championship at a particular level, that school must compete at or above that level the following year.
- 5. Rules that will apply to all sports:
  - 1. Change the allowable number of contacts to match the statewide allowable numbers.
  - 2. Change the SJS level of play to enable juniors to participate at the Junior Varsity level.
  - 3. Change the wording that would ensure that a league champion would receive a play-off berth.

#### E. Self Report

Armijo self reported to the Section and ineligible boy JV basketball player participated in a pre season game. The Section did not impose any additional penalty since Armijo lost the game.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Mumaugh

**MEL Commissioner**