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Minutes
Athletic Council
401 Nut Tree Rd
August 24 2021

Commissioner Joan Mumaugh called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.
Present:

Armijo	Charleston Brown, Principal
Fairfield	Eddie Wilson
Rodriguez	Tracy Cordes
Vacaville	Fred Jones Mike Papadopoulos Chris Santopadre
Vanden	Matt Bidou
Wood	Andrea Daniels Nick Voight
Guest	Brad Bruzynski—FSUSD

I Fall Sports

A. Football

1. Football is in the 2nd week of eligible SJS competition.

B. Volleyball

1. All schools except Fairfield will be fielding Frosh teams. Schools are reminded by league rule frosh game start time is 4:00.
2. Vanden will not be changing sides of the net between games.
3. Vanden District requires that their players wear a mask while playing at all games.
4. For all Vanden hosted games the opponents will be required to wear face masks while playing.

C. Tennis

1. Before each round of League play a copy of each school's complete ladder must be sent to Matt Bidou.
2. Vanden will have a designated "spectator" area. Spectators are encouraged to bring a folding chair, as no seating will be provided.

D. Water Polo

1. Unfortunately, water polo will be suspended as a league sport this year as there are not 4 schools participating.

E. Golf

1. At this point Armijo will not be fielding a girl's golf team.

2. First league match is scheduled for September 2nd.

F. Cross Country

1. Pena Adobe areas, adjacent to Lagoon Valley, are currently under renovation/construction. The normal Lagoon Valley running course will be altered until the construction is completed

II Winter Sports—NR

III Spring Sports--NR

IV Schedules

A. Soccer

1. Schedules had been removed from May 27th BOM meeting due to changes for game days for 2022.
2. Eddie adjusted the previous schedule with the new days of week playing days of Tuesday/Friday.
3. A minor change was made to the proposed schedule to separate the rival game days.
4. Wood motioned to accept the new the schedules with the rival game change. Vacaville seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
5. The new soccer schedules will be voted on at the September 2nd, Board of Mangers meeting.

B. Track

1. The track schedule was removed from the May 27th BOM meeting for further discussion by the Athletic Council.
2. We reviewed the 2 schedules that were part of last year's presentation. Joan asked Mike P to critique the two schedules based upon his knowledge of the sport. After some discussion it was decided the best type of schedule would be one that had duals meets with addition of quads if time permitted.
3. Mike will work with Melissa to develop a couple of schedules for voting at the September 24th Athletic Council meeting. League competition would begin March 9th.

V Athletic Director in charge

A. Adjustments

1. Joan explained that each year we should review and adjust the AD in charge assignment in case there were needed or wanted changes. An AD in charge could be a coach of that particular sport but that wasn't necessary.
2. Eddie suggested that we select the AD in charge at the final Athletic Council meeting each year. At that time, anyone can request a change of sport(s) for the following year.
3. Eddie, who is in charge of soccer, stated that if he had questions he would contact Andrea as she coaches that sport and has more experience as a coach and player of the sport in general.
4. Eddie then requested that Andrea become the AD in charge of soccer for this year and he would take her badminton assignment. Both Athletic Directors agreed to the change.
5. No other changes were requested.

B. Duties

Joan explained the need for a listing of the duties of the Athletic Director in charge, which should be added to the MEL bylaws. A suggested list was provided for review and any needed additions. There was one addition suggested which was added to the proposed document. The Duties of AD in Charge document will be a voting item for the BOM meeting September 2nd.

VI Other

A. Badminton By-Law Changes

1. The badminton coaches requested that the bylaws be updated. Joan handed out a copy of requested updates. This had come before the Athletic Council once before but had not been acted upon.
2. A motion was made by Vacaville to accept the bylaw updates as presented. Rodriguez seconded motion. Vote was unanimous. This will be on the BOM agenda for September 2nd.

B. League Passes

1. We will be using 2020-21 passes, as they were not needed last year.
2. Each school received 50 passes for site use
3. Passes FSUSD office, VUSD office and TUSD office were given to one of the ADs of each particular district to deliver to their District office.

C. Admission Prices

1. Matt suggested that we consider raising the price for general admission tickets to help with the rising costs of each sport. During the discussion, it was suggested that the Athletic Council develop a listing of “major reasons” for need of increase to be shared with parents/fans.
2. A motion was made and seconded to increase the general admission price by \$1.00 starting next school year. Vote was unanimous.

D. Model Coach

1. Each school can nominate 1 female and 1 male coach from their site for consideration.
2. All nominations MUST be received by Joan no later than October 19th to be considered.

E. Website/MEL Directory

Updated directories have been received from Rodriguez, Vacaville, Vanden and Wood. Once all schools submitted their updated directory they will be compiled and sent to each school. The website has also been updated. Some of the previous sections have been replaced and other sections have been renumbered.

F. Next Meeting—September 2nd BOM, September 24th Athletic Council

G. Covid or Weather Game Disruptions

Joan shared with the council what Delta league is considering if a game has to be cancelled due to Covid exposure. Each school was asked to review the information, gather additional information and be ready to work on a plan for the MEL at the September 24th meeting.

Meeting adjourned 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Mumaugh, Commissioner