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Minutes
Board of Managers
Armijo High Conference Room
January 26 2023

I Opening

A. Present:

Armijo	John McMorris	Matthew Powell
Rodriguez	Kristen Cherry	Tracy Lopez
Vacaville	Adam Wight	Fred Jones, Stu Clary, Chris Santopadre
Wood	Charleston Brown	Andréa Daniels, Nick Voight
Fairfield	Rebecca Dinwiddie	Eddie Wilson
Vanden	Bill Sarty	Sean Murphy

Guest: FSUSD Brad Brudzinski
Eric Tretten

Rebecca Dinwiddie called the meeting to order at 9:02

B. Vacaville motioned to accept the minutes of September 29 2022 as posted. The motion was seconded by Fairfield. Vote was unanimous.

II Action Items (voting item)

A. Schedules 2023-24

1. Fall Sport

- The fall sports reviewed were: cross country, football, girls' golf, girls' tennis, and volleyball
- Each AD reported what changes were made from the previous year's schedule.
- Armijo motioned to accept all 2023 fall schedules, as presented. Vacaville seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

2. Winter Sports

- The winter sports reviewed were boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer and wrestling.
- Each AD in charge of the sports reported what changes were made from the previous year's schedule to determine the 2024 schedule.
- Armijo motioned to accept the schedules as presented, second by Rodriguez. Vote unanimous

III Emergency Items (voting)

A. Admission Prices

There are two items regarding admission prices discussed.

- a. Children 5 and under. At the Athletic Director meeting on January 19th there was a discussion about letting children 5 and under in free to all sports when accompanied by a parent/paying adult.

Wood motioned to add the child under 5 category to the current admission price bylaw. Vacaville seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

- b. Rival game admission price for B/G basketball. The current cost of admission for adults at basketball rival games is \$8. The ADs recommend moving the admission cost to \$10 for adults at rival games much as is done for football.

Vacaville motioned to change the basketball admission price for adults at rival games to \$10. The motion was seconded by Wood. Vote was unanimous

B. BOM April Meeting Date

The current BOM meeting date is April 6 2023. Joan is recommending the date be changed to April 20th so the league would have the Section agenda containing voting items information.

Vacaville motion to move the next BOM meeting to April 20th. Wood seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

IV. New Business

John Mc Morris suggested that the start of football games in the fall be moved to 5:00 for JV and 7:00 for varsity. The time change would result in games being over earlier which would get spectators and players home or off the site earlier.

A few areas of concern with earlier start are:

- *Officials getting to site in time for games with Friday traffic
- *With late school start players would miss more class time
- * Gate money could be reduced.

This item will be on the April 20th agenda for further discussion and voting.

V. Dale Lacky Scholar

Each school is encouraged to nominate 1 female and 1 male scholar athlete for this Section award. The nomination packets are due to Joan, no later than February 10th. This year the Section is requiring all applications must be type. There is a fillable application on the Section website.

VI Section Back- Up Material

A. Section Voting items (7)

1. Proposal is Baseball/Softball cannot use curricular instruction time for batting practice on game days.
MEL votes NO
2. Proposal eliminates 100-mile exemption for site supervisor attendance for playoff contests.
MEL votes YES
3. Proposal for Division VII football is that each school will stay in same column for the entire year including playoffs.
MEL votes YES
4. Proposal is Host schools MUST use the Section approved Digital Ticketing Platform for all Playoff contests.
MEL votes YES
5. Proposal the TCAL will receive and additional qualifier for boys basketball.
MEL votes NO
6. Medium School AD Representative to BOM
MEL votes Paul Hogue
7. Superintendent South Representative to the BOM
MEL votes Reyes Gauna

B. CIF Voting Items (2)

1. Proposal is to add Flag Football as a CIF sanctioned sport for girls.
MEL votes YES
2. Proposal to amend Article 22 Membership/Conditions of Membership.
MEL vote YES

VI Other

A. Fan Behavior at Basketball Games—

The discussion was in regards to basketball and what options do the schools have for “adult” fans that are arguing or disrupting the game from the stands. Each school has had some version of adult disruption. Each school was reminded that they can use a pre-game announcement regarding any disruption by fans may result in ejection from the game and possibly the season. The consensus was the league needs to continue to address behavior at basketball.

B. Realignment Review

The Section realignment proposal has suggested more changes in leagues than in any previous realignments. In the new realignment, Fairfield is scheduled to move to the GEL which would change significantly with 5 new schools and 4 current schools moving to other leagues. The February 7th meeting will have a new realignment grid addressing some of the concerns expressed during the January meeting

Brad is currently exploring what would need to be done if Armijo, Fairfield and Rodriguez wanted to move to the North Coast Section.

The February realignment meeting at The Reserve at Spanos Park starts at 9:00am. Parking is limited.

C. AD Reports

1. Armijo – Boys Golf Coaches meeting (virtual) on Friday.
Track pre-season meeting is January 30th at Armijo. .
2. Fairfield—Badminton pre-season meeting is Monday January 30th.

3. Rodriguez—The swim coaches met January 25th and reviewed the schedule. Vanden will be swimming home meets at Solano College.
4. Vacaville –No Report
5. Vanden—Baseball coaches have been notified of the upcoming pre-season meeting at Vanden. Boys Tennis pre-season January 31st (virtual)
6. Wood—Softball will have their pre-season meeting Monday January 30th. Soccer will have their post season meeting February 10th.

B. Next Meeting—Thursday April 20th. Refreshments Vacaville.

Meeting adjournment at 10:40

Respectfully Submitted
Joan Mumaugh
MEL Commissioner