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PURSUING VICTORY WITH HONOR

Minutes Athletic Council 401 Nut Tree Rd October 20 2016

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

Present:

Armijo Carly Perales Napa Brian King Rodriguez Tracy Cordes

Vacaville Fred Jones Kay Nekota

Vintage Cam Neal Wood Mark Wudel

I Fall Sports

A. Football

The all league meeting will be November 8, 7:00pm, Room 55 @ Vacaville High. All league nomination forms will be sent to each school before the meeting. Please be sure the nominations are returned by the deadline date.

B. Volleyball

1. The all league meeting is scheduled for Thursday October 27th, 6:30pm, @Napa High small gym classroom.

C. Girls Tennis

The MEL singles and doubles tournament will be October 24 & 25 at Vintage High. Cam will send an email to each school's AD & tennis coach Sunday, updating possible schedule change due to weather.

- a. The coaches seeding meeting is 8am in the small gym classroom both Monday and Tuesday morning.
- b. Singles will be played on Monday with the championship match Tuesday morning.
- c. Doubles will be played on Tuesday with the championship match site and time to be determined Tuesday afternoon.
- d. Each school will received an invoice for their portion of the official's fee. Please make check payable to Vintage High.

D. Water Polo

- 1. The all league meeting will be October 26th, 6pm @ Rodriguez High staff lounge
- 2. Currently, Vintage is 1st in boys and girls, Rodriguez is 2nd in boys and Napa is 2nd in girls.

F. Girls Golf

- 1. The Final league tournament was held Tuesday October18th at Rancho Solano Golf Course.
- 2. Vacaville took first place in league with Wood in 2nd. Both Vacaville and Wood teams will represent the MEL in the Section Divisional tournament at Timber Creek GC in Roseville Monday October 24th.

G. Cross Country

- 1. League meet will be October 26th at Lagoon Valley.
- 2. Mark reminded everyone he would be sending each school a bill for their share of the facility usage fee for the league championship at Lagoon Valley.

II. Winter Sports

A. Basketball—The preseason meeting for both boys and girls coaches will be October 24th, 6pm in the PE health room at Armijo High. An official will be at the meeting to review any rule changes and answer any questions.

B. Soccer

- 1. Kay will send the coaches notification on the preseason meeting date, time and location.
- 2. Napa High will have both boys and girls frosh soccer teams this year. Any of the MEL schools that may field frosh team contact Brian if interested in scheduling games.

C. Wrestling

1. There will be a preseason coaches meeting October 25th, 7:00 pm, room 55 @ Vacaville High

III. Spring

A. Softball—Safety base

- 1. Vacaville High is putting in a new field and the coach asked if the league was interested in using a safety base at first base. The safety base is designed to limit collisions at first between the baseperson and the runner.
- 2. Joan contacted the state CIF office and the Section office to determine if there was a need to put a safety base into use. The State CIF response was that the use is up to the Section/leagues. The Section has not had any inquiry regarding putting in a safety base and does not use one in the playoffs. In addition, the NCAA softball does not use a safety base in their competitions. There wasn't any recommendation from the other schools in our league to move to adopt a safety base. The consensus is the MEL will not use a safety base but continue with the traditional first base set-up.

B. Boys Golf

Cory Roche is working on getting Napa Valley CC as the venue for the Section Divisional 1 North competition for May. At this time, if Napa Valley CC does not work out then Rancho Solano GC is the back-up selection.

IV. Other

A. End of Season Standings

Everyone was reminded to send the final league standings and all league recipients to Joan as soon as the information is available.

- B. League Dues—Rodriguez, Napa and Vintage have submitted dues as of this date.
- C. Model Coach—There were no model coach applications submitted for this year's selection.
- D. League Meetings--Athletic Council Thursday December 3rd at 8:30 401 Nut Tree Rd.
- E. Fall Pennants & Patches

All patches and pennants were distributed to the AD in charge of the sport for distribution at the end of the season sport meeting.

F. Schedules 2017-8

1. All fall and winter schedules for 2017-18 are due at the December 8th meeting.

G. Ticket Prices

- 1. Cam suggested that the league should again look at the possibility of raising ticket prices. The increase cost of security and people needed to run home events is making it hard for schools to cover expenses with the current gate prices.
- 2. Joan will contact other leagues in the Section to determine what their price guidelines are for home events.
- 3. We will discuss this at the December 8th meeting to determine whether is should be presented at the January Board of Managers.

Meeting adjourned 9:25

Respectfully submitted, Joan Mumaugh Commissioner