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Minutes
Athletic Council
Elm School
129 Elm Street, Vacaville
December 15, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

All Athletic Directors were present except Mike Papadopoulos and Brian Spears.

- I Winter Sports
 - A. Basketball – No Report
 - B. Wrestling – No Report
- II Spring Sports
 - Badminton – Napa is not sure if they will field a team this year. Brian will notify the League by the Spring start date.
- III Fall Sports
 - Football – Congratulations to the Division II Section Champion Vacaville High.
- IV 2012 – 2013 Schedules
 - A. Fall
 - 1. Cross Country
 - a. Order of competition was rotated one place. Home/Away reversed.
 - b. The Center Meet and League Meet remains at the same sites (Alston Park and Lagoon Valley, respectively).
 - 2. Girls Golf
 - a. Home/Away were rotated.
 - b. Armijo will again try to field a team in 2012.
 - 3. Football
 - a. Moved game 4 to the top and rotated Home/Away.
 - b. We held a discussion on completely changing the order of competition. The consensus was to do an order revision at the next realignment.
 - 4. Boys Soccer
 - a. The order of competition was changed making sure a school didn't have too many home or away games in a row.
 - b. Home/Away were rotated.
 - 5. Volleyball
 - a. Game 4 was moved to the top of the schedule and home/away were reversed.
 - b. Volleyball will compete on M/W for the two-year cycle 2012-13 and 2013-14.

6. Girls Tennis

Cam will email everyone the schedule. Please review the schedule to make sure it aligns with volleyball.

B. Winter

1. Basketball – Boys & Girls

a. The order of competition was changed and home/away were rotated.

b. Every school has 5 H/A games for League. Also, each school has 3 Friday games.

V Other

A. Next meeting – Board of Managers January 11, 2012 @ 8:30 a.m. at Armijo High Library.
Athletic Council February 2, 2012 # 8:30 at Elm School.

B. Model Coach

The MEL nominee, Mike Papadopoulos, was selected as one of the Section's 6 Model Coaches for 2011. Congratulations to Mike!

C. Section Info

1. Fees -- Each school was provided a list of fees owed to the Section office.

2. Swim/Dive Meeting -- January 23, 2012 @ The Section Office in Lodi at 5 p.m. All swim and diving coaches are welcome to attend.

3. Dale Lacky

All nominations are due to Joan *no later* than Friday, March 2, 2012.

4. Water Polo

The Section has adopted the KAP7 ball for all Sac Joaquin Section water polo post-season events.

5. Hosting Wrestling 2013

The MEL will be hosting Division I North Wrestling, February 15 – 16, 2013.

Vintage High will host the event under Coach Bob Musante.

6. The Section is going to propose moving Sierra Foothill League from Division II to Division I and then moving SCAC from Division III to Division II.

With the division change for SCAC there would be no need to have Rodriguez join the MEL for the remaining 2 years of this alignment.

7. Soccer Playoffs

a. Mark Wudel expressed concern that the Section soccer bracket always puts the MEL teams against the #1 and #2 seeds within the first two rounds. The middle of the bracket is all southern teams meaning that they would not reach seeds 1 or 2 until at least the third round.

b. Bob Baclig, as League representative to the Section, should clarify the concern with John Williams at the Section office.

D. Spring Break 2013

In order for Spring schedules to be finalized, we will need the "Spring Break" schedules for 2013 for each school district.

E. Spring Rule Books were distributed to each school.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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