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# PURSUING VICTORY WITH HONOR

Minutes Board of Managers Zoom Conference February 4, 2021

# I Opening

### A. Present:

Armijo Sheila Smith Brad Burzynski Melissa Wilson Rodriguez Sabrina McCarver (A.P.) Tracy Cordes

Vacaville Stu Clary, Mike Papadopoulos, Chris Santopadre

Wood Adam Rich, Andrea Daniels, Nick Voight

Fairfield Jose Gutierrez (A.P.) Eddie Wilson

Vanden Kristin Shields Matt Bidou

Adam Rich called the meeting to order at 4:01

# B. Approval of Minutes

Fairfield motioned to accept the minutes of January 28 2021 as posted, second by Rodriguez, vote unanimous.

#### II Review and Vote on Schedules

Mike Papadopoulos reviewed the MEL Calendar color chart showing the dates each sport would be offered. Mike also explained what information was used to determine the placements.

Each Athletic Director reviewed and answered questions on the schedule that he/she developed.

Any non-league contests can be held only during the 5-week sport window. All non-league contests are under the approval of the site Principal and school district management.

## A. Group A Sports February 15-March 20

Sports in Group A are: Cross Country, Boys Golf, Girls Tennis, and Football

- 1. Cross Country- Dual meet schedule with all meets on Wednesdays. The host school will decide the venue for each meet.
  - Week 5 will be the MEL Championship (if permissible) or a rival dual meet. Stu Clary will call a pre-season meeting with all CC coaches to discuss venues and any other issues.
- 2. Boys Golf—Dual meet schedule with matches played on T/Th.
  An end of season tournament will be held (if permissible) at Rancho Solano Golf Course

- 3. Girls Tennis—Double round robin schedule with matches played on M/W. MEL singles and doubles championships will be held if permissible. Site/time for the tournament will be determined at later date.
- 4. Football—Single round 5-week schedule. The BOM determined that all 5 games must be eligible to be played or the season would be canceled. Using all the SJS regulations for football a schedule was developed with Friday games March1-April16. If football does not meet the Solano County designation for competition by March 8<sup>th</sup> football will have to be canceled.
- 5. Vacaville motioned to accept the schedules in Group A. Fairfield seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

# B. Group B Sports March 22-April24 (flexible dates April 26-May 29)

Sports in Group B are: Baseball, Softball, Track, Badminton, Volleyball, and Swim/Dive,

- 1. Baseball is currently a dual round robin with games on T/Th. If the Group C sports are unable to compete by April 26 then baseball will extend one more round of league competition. If Group C is open then baseball will be finished as originally scheduled April 24.
- 2. Softball is a double round robin with games played on W/F. If the Group C sports are unable to compete by April 26 then softball will extend one more round of league competition. If Group C is open then softball will be finished as originally scheduled April 24.
- 3. Track is single round of dual meets with contests scheduled mostly once a week on Wednesday. MEL trials and finals are scheduled (if permissible).
  - \*After discussion this schedule was removed for revisions. Once the new schedule is complete the Principals will receive a copy and then cast their vote electronically.
- 4. Badminton is a double round robin with games on T/Th. Davis was removed from the schedule for this year only because they are not in Solano County.
- 5. Volleyball will play a double round robin with their games T/Th.

  Volleyball and Badminton will play a "mirror" schedule at opposite sites.
- 6. Swim/Dive will be a single round robin with meets on Wednesday. MEL trials and finals (if permissible) will be held at Rodriguez High.
- 7. Vacaville motioned to accept all schedules except track as presented. Vanden seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

### C. Group C Sports April 26 – May 29

Sports in Group C are: Girls Golf, B/G Soccer, B/G Basketball, Boys Tennis, B/G Water Polo, and Wrestling

Girls Golf is a Dual meet schedule with matches played on T/Th.
 An end of season tournament will be held (if permissible) at Cypress Lakes Golf Course.

- 2. B/G Soccer schedules will each be a double round robin. Girls will play their games on T/Th and boys will play their games on W/F.
- 3. B/G Basketball schedules will each be a double round robin. Girls will play T/Th and boys will play T/F. Both teams will play on Tuesday with one home and one away. By sharing the day of the week this opens the gym on Wednesday's for wrestling.
- 4. Boys Tennis will play Double round robin schedule with matches played on T/Th. MEL singles and doubles championships will be held if permissible. Site/time for the tournament will be determined at later date.
- 5. B/G Water Polo has only four schools participating so their schedule will be a triple round robin. For both B/G meet days will be W/F at the same venue.
- 6. Wrestling schedule is a single round robin with all competitions on Wednesdays.
- 7. Fairfield motioned to accept all schedules as presented. Vacaville seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

# III Request from St Patrick/St Vincent High School

Lane Hockins, Athletic Director at St Patrick/St Vincent High School called Joan asking if his school could possibly join the MEL for this year only. St Patrick/St Vincent is part of the Bay Shore conference in the North Coast Section. The Bay Shore conference had decided not to play against teams in Solano County for this year leaving St Patrick/St Vincent without a league.

Adding St Patrick/St Vincent to all of our schedules would add two weeks to each sport. The addition of two weeks to each group would defeat our goal of having one group of sports end before the next group started. The addition of another school would also limit our students' ability to play sports in all 3 of our groups.

After discussion the request was denied.

### IV Other

## A. Spectators at Contests

After a discussion it was the consensus of the 6 schools that there would be no spectators during Group A sports. As we move forward with groups B&C we can again revisit allowing spectators under Solano County and Districts guideline numbers. At this time we can also determine if schools will charge admission for spectators.

#### B. VUSD Return to Athletics

Adam Rich shared the Vacaville Unified framework for giving student athletes an opportunity to participate and compete during the remainder of this school year. The guiding documentation is the CDPH, CIF Covid sports guideline and protocols. Some of the items covered in the document are: Inter-team competition, transportation and spectators at athletic contests. All Vacaville's middle and high schools must follow the entire VUSD document.

Meeting adjournment at 5:30

Respectfully Submitted Joan Mumaugh MEL Commissioner