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Board of Managers  
Minutes  
April 19, 2006

3 Oaks Community Center

I Opening

A. The meeting was called to order by President Barb Franco at 8:45 a.m.

Present:

Armijo	Rick Vaccaro, Jay Dahl
Davis	Patrick Donlon
Napa	Barb Franco, Scott Kostecka
Vacaville	Bob Baclig
Vintage	Eric Schneider, Erik Zaidel
Wood	Henrie Newland, Bill Ewing
Fairfield	Patty Barnett, Mike Dailey

M.E.L. Commissioner Joan Mumaugh

B. Agenda adopted with no additions.

C. Minutes of January 11, 2006 accepted as submitted.

II Old Business

A. Schedules 2006 - 2007

(Cross Country, Wrestling, All Spring Sports (except Track) revised Water Polo and boys Soccer.

1. Each of the schedules was reviewed and questions and concerns answered.
2. Wood motioned to accept all the schedules as presented. Second by Vintage. Vote unanimous.

B. By-Laws 0.23 MEL Tie Breaker

1. Reviewed the need to add clarification statement.
2. Wood motioned to add the statement to By-Law 0.23 for clarification.  
"Once one of the teams has been designated as a play-off team, the procedure returns to 0.23-1 and starts the process again. This continues until all teams have been selected."  
Second by Vintage. Vote unanimous.

### III Emergency Items

Armijo motioned to accept both items listed as emergency items for discussion and vote. Second by Wood. Vote unanimous.

#### A. Track Competition Days.

1. Section mandated competition days for girls soccer to Monday and Wednesdays for the next two year cycle. There are schools that play soccer on their football fields that would put two sports using the same general facility.
2. A proposal is for the League to change the track competition day Thursday during the soccer Monday/Wednesday cycle. Track coaches are in agreement with the change.
3. Bill Ewing presented the 2007 Track schedule with competition days as Thursday except if Napa/Vintage host, then the meet will remain on Wednesday.

Vintage motioned to accept the day change and the 2007 track schedule. Second by Wood. Vote unanimous.

#### B. Basketball Competition Days

1. Jay Dahl requested the League consider changing basketball competition days so that the boys teams play on every Friday. Over a 3-year period, the gate revenue was significantly higher on Friday night boys games as compared to Friday night girls games.
2. The discussion included such items as:
  - a. Going back to previous year's competition days
  - b. Title IX implication
  - c. Possible home/away boys/girls same night.
3. The item was finally tabled so each school could return to their site and talk with their basketball coaches.
4. An emergency Board of Managers meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 10, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. at Armijo Library to decide on the basketball competition days. Other leagues in SacJoaquin Section will be contracted to determine their competition days and any problems that they have faced.

### IV New Business

- A. Meeting dates – A list of the 2006 – 2007 Athletic Council and Board of Managers meeting dates was handed out.
- B. Standing Committee – Joan asked each school to submit additional names for committee members. The Standing Committee deals with protests and with Section award selections.
- C. Dale Lacky – The two recipients were: Myles Butler, Napa and Cherylyn McGraw, Will C Wood.

### V Section Back-Up Material

#### A. Election of Officers

1. The MEL will vote for the nominated President and President-Elect for SacJoaquin Section.
2. The MEL will vote for Bob Baker – Large school representative.
3. The MEL will vote for George Hinds for the CIF President-Elect 2006 – 08.

#### B. Closed Session – Officials Fee Structure.

The MEL questions the administrative fee charged for each sport especially since schools are responsible for entering all their schedules in the “Arbiter”.

### C. Old Business

1. Transfer Eligibility – This proposal eliminates hardships for transfer students and establishes consistent dates for student eligibility.
  - a. Clarify 215.5. What constitutes participation; tryouts, practice or competitions?
  - b. MEL will vote for revising By-Law 215.
2. Section Tie Breaker for Football
  - a. Mandates that **all** varsity games be played to a winner/loser by using NGHS tie breaker procedure.
    - i. Question regarding school under contract with Leagues outside of our Section.
    - ii. What about J.V. games being played to winner/loser?
  - b. MEL will vote for the Section proposal for determining League qualifiers for football and the NFHS tie breaker.
3. Start of Football a Week Earlier.
  - a. This proposal moves the start of football practice **and** the ten-week schedule one week earlier.
  - b. Clarify: What other “Fall” sports, if any, will start early if the proposal passes?
  - c. MEL will vote for the proposal.
4. “Zero” Week Game in Football
  - a. Creates flexibility in scheduling for all schools.
  - b. Schools will have the opportunity to start football a week earlier even if they chose not to play a “Zero” week game.
  - c. All Fall sports would have the opportunity to start a week earlier.
  - d. MEL will vote **against** this proposal (by a vote of 4 – 2).
5. Section Budget – MEL supports the 2006 – 07 budget proposal.

### D. State Business

1. Revision of By-Law 303 – Clarifies the athletic opportunities for identified special needs students placed in State certified non-public schools.  
MEL will vote for the revision.
2. Revision of By-Laws 304 and 305.
  - a. The revisions clarify what is meant by District Independent Study Programs and non-district Home Schooling.
  - b. MEL will vote to accept the revisions.
3. Wrestling Weight Management.
  - a. The guidelines have been refined to reflect the mandatory weight management program.
  - b. MEL will vote to accept.

## VI Other

### A. Recognition.

1. Henrie Newland, a long-time member of the Board of Managers, will retire from Will C. Wood in June and not be returning to the Board next year. Barb Franco presented Henrie with a plaque in appreciation of her service to the MEL. Joan also presented Henrie a Certificate of Recognition and a lifetime MEL pass.
2. The Board acknowledges the contributions of Patrick Donlon and Davis High to the MEL. Davis will be a member of the Delta Valley Conference starting in the 2006 – 2007 school year.
3. The Board welcomes back Fairfield High to the MEL.

### B. Change-over of Officers.

1. Starting with our September 13, 2006 meeting, Rick Vaccaro will assume the duties of President of the MEL.
2. Out-going President Barb Franco will become the MEL Vice President.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55.

Respectfully submitted

Joan Mumaugh  
Commissioner, M.E.L.