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Minutes
Board of Managers
Armijo High School Library
October 12, 2011

I Opening

A. Present:

Armijo	Eric Tretten	Jay Dahl	John Lammon
Fairfield		Brian Spears	
Napa	Barb Franco	Brian King	
Vacaville	Ed Santopadre	Fred Jones	Bob Baclig
Vintage	Craig Lewis	Cam Neal	
Wood	Cliff DeGraw	Mark Wudel	

B. President Ed Santopadre called the meeting was to order by at 8:40 a.m.

C. Vintage motioned to accept minutes of September 7, 2011 as posted. Second by Wood. Vote unanimous.

II Emergency Item

Vintage High School requests that they be allowed to raise the adult fee an additional \$1.00 at the Napa/Vintage football game to help defray the cost of the required police officers.

Napa motioned to allow the \$1.00 increase for the rival game. The motion was seconded by Armijo. Vote unanimous.

III Section Back-Up Material

A. Old Business Section

1. Basketball Power Rating

a. Mark Wudel reviewed the changes. The major change addresses teams that do not qualify by power rating. If a team has one of the two following caveats, they will be added to the tournament.

1. League champion or co-champion
2. Team has at least 15 wins (non-League and League combined).

b. The MEL will vote in favor.

2. SCAC Football Helmet Proposal

After a discussion, a role call voted was held. The vote was 5 – 1 in favor of supporting the SCAC proposal.

3. Large School Athletic Director

The MEL will not vote as neither candidates is know by any of our members.

4. Approval of Associate Members

The MEL votes to approve if there is a league or leagues that will include these schools in competition.

B. Old Business State

Reconsideration vote for

a. Definition of Scrimmage

b. Starting dates

Ed will vote as he deems prudent.

C. New Business Section – Voting January 2012

1. Co-ed Tennis -- Did not discuss – N/A to MEL

2. Rodriquez Play-Off Proposal

There was a lengthy discussion on this issue. The SCAC asked the MEL to review a proposal that they thought might better meet the issue:

Rodriquez Play-off 2012-14
SCAC Proposal

The SCAC is proposing that during the 2012-13 and the 2013-14 school years that instead of Rodriquez just coming to the MEL for the league tournaments in wrestling and track that there actually be a member swap in those two sports.

SCAC is proposing:

1. One of the MEL schools, move to SCAC for the last two years in wrestling and track.
2. Each school that is moving for those two sports will compete in the dual meet process with the league they are in.
3. Both of the schools that move, Rodriquez and 1 MEL school, will have the opportunity to qualify for Sections as a member of the division that they are competing in.
4. At the end of this realignment 2013-14 one MEL school will be most likely be moved to SCAC as per Section indication.

After reviewing the SCAC proposal, the consensus was that the MEL had no school willing to leave for wrestling and track.

The MEL determined what was unacceptable regarding the Section proposal. (See following insert.) Two alternative plans were suggested for the Rodriquez play-off issue:

Sections ---Rodriquez Play-Off Proposal

The Section proposal that has Rodriquez join into the MEL league tournaments in wrestling and track creates some major issues.

1. The MEL seeds the wrestling tournament according to dual meet results within the league. Rodriquez would not have any MEL dual results. Seeding would then be a concern for all participants
2. Rodriquez would potentially take Section qualifying spots from MEL athletes in both wrestling and track.
3. The Section is satisfying Division III issues (removing a dominate school) while creating a problem for the MEL. Should every dominant school be forced to another division? Where does this stop?

MEL Proposal:

The MEL is suggesting 2 possible alternative plans. The MEL Board of Managers lists the plans in the order of preference.

1. Keep the integrity of both the MEL and SCAC. Rodriquez would compete in the SCAC for both dual meets and league tournaments. Any Rodriquez Section qualifier would automatically be moved to compete at the Division I level, in Section play offs. The next SCAC participant in line for that event/weight class would fill the league-qualifying spots vacated by Rodriquez.
2. Place Rodriquez into the MEL for only wrestling and track making a 7-team league for 2012-13 and 2013-14.

3. Girls Volleyball Proposal

No one voiced any questions regarding this proposal.

4. Charge for Scrimmages

All schools are basically in favor of admission charges. The question comes up: Will the officials want to be paid because there is an admission charge?

IV Model Coach

The deadline to get the applications to Joan is October 27th.

V Other

A. Next Meeting

1. January 11, 2012
2. Vintage will provide refreshments.

B. School Reports

1. Armijo
All home varsity and junior varsity baseball games will be held at the Armijo campus.
2. Vintage
 - a. Varsity baseball games will be at the Vet's home and the JV baseball games will be on campus. Vintage will be charging admission.
 - b. Vintage will not field a frosh girls basketball team.

Meeting adjourned 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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