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Minutes  
Board of Managers  
Rodriguez High Conference Room  
August 30, 2017

I Opening

A. Present:

Armijo	Sheila Smith	Carly Perales
Napa	Annie Petrie	Thomas Sims
Rodriguez	Clarence Isadore	Tracy Cordes
Vacaville	Ed Santopadre	Fred Jones Kay Nekota Chris Santopadre
Vintage	Mike Pearson	Cam Neal
Wood	Adam Rich	Beth Kelly

Section Commissioner Mike Garrison

- B. Ed Santopadre called the meeting to order at 8:35. Each member introduced themselves to the group.
- C. Wood motioned to accept the minutes of March 30, 2016 as posted. Second by Rodriguez. Vote was unanimous.

II Section Commissioner

Mike Garrison covered section information, which included: Financial review, Awards, Mandated League Games, Playoffs and Changes for 2017-18.

A. Topics of special interest were;

- a. CIF Home, the online information site for all transfers, dues information and other SJS information.
- b. 2018-19 Sports Calendar, showing the start date for all sports moving up a week. Fall sports practice would start July 30, with football starting a week earlier on July 23. Winter sports October 29 and Spring sports February 4<sup>th</sup>. Starting the seasons earlier is the result of the State CIF playoff games being moved forward.
- c. Competitive Cheer—
  1. Traditional competitive cheer currently has no official season of sport. There is a one-year waiver for Sunday competition.
  2. Competitive Sports cheer is a spring sport and will be under all the rules and regulations of other SJS sports.
  3. At this time there are no Section offered judges, although there is work toward getting established organizations involved.
  4. Possibility of a traditional competitive cheer event at the Section level in January or February.
- d. Competitive Equity vs Enrollment Based Playoffs
  1. As more sports are participating in regional and state playoffs the Section playoff committees will begin dialog regarding if our playoffs should move to competitive equity instead of enrollment base.

## B. State Maximum Contest Numbers 2018-19

State CIF by-law 1206 will address allowable number of contests for sports that culminate in a regional or State Championship. Included in the upcoming bylaw will be game counts for tournaments in different sports.

## III Recommended Action (voting item)

### A. Proposed Budget

The proposed budget for 2018-19 was distributed.

1. The basic cost of awards has gone up slightly but the \$1.00/student will continue to be sufficient to cover the expenses at least for another year. This year's budget includes a new expense of recall starter for the league track meet.
2. Vintage motioned to accept the budget for 2017-18 as proposed. Vacaville seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

### B. Admission Price Statement

Annie and Cam reviewed an admission price listing that all MEL schools should use when charging admission. Each school should personalize how they handle SBC, students w/o SBC and any other specialty passes.

### C. Recall Starter for Track

1. The track coaches and the starting official for the league track meet, recommended that we have a recall starter for the league meet.
2. The recall starter would be signal false starts, blocks slipping, spectators in running area and other actions that may alter the race results.
3. Recall starters are used at both the Section and State track meets.
4. Vacaville motioned to approve the hiring of a recall starter for the league meet days. Motion was second by Vintage. Vote unanimous.

### D. Swim Schedule

1. The swim coaches have requested that diving and swimming move back to the combined meet schedule as the split schedule resulted in problems with diving for transportation, coaching and swim practice.
2. Motion by Vintage to accept the new schedule presented for 2017-18. The motion was second by Vacaville. Vote was unanimous.

### E. Revised By-Laws

1. By-law 1.14 Scrimmage Definition
  - a. Joan recommended that the MEL revise our by-law to match the Section bylaw regarding rules of scrimmages.
  - b. Vintage motioned to accept the revisions to bylaw 1.14 as presented. The motion was second by Vacaville. Vote was unanimous.
2. By-law 1.21 Sportsmanship Policy
  - a. Joan handed out a copy of the recommended changes in the appellant procedures and section 0.21-2 that represents the actual procedures that are followed in the MEL for protests.
  - b. Napa motioned to approve the recommended changes to the sportsmanship policy as presented. The motion was second by Wood. Vote unanimous.

#### IV. Information

##### A. League Directory

The Directory is in the final stages of updating and will be emailed to everyone as soon as possible.

##### B. Web Site

The web site has updated schedules and school information. Please notify Joan of any needed changes.

##### C. Mike Pearson

Mike discussed an incident that happened involving a student post on the Internet that went viral. Mike explained what actions the school took and what educational interventions are being held.

##### D. League Transition

Ed Santopadre discussed the transition of Napa/Vintage leaving the MEL and Fairfield/Vanden joining the MEL. As the BOM votes on areas that are primarily next year such as schedules then the incoming schools should be casting votes and the outgoing schools abstaining.

Both Fairfield and Vanden will be invited to attend all future BOM meetings.

#### V. Other

##### A. Section Sanction-Napa

Annie Petrie discussed an incident last spring during softball playoffs that resulted in the Section putting Napa High on probation for the 2017-18 school year. Napa will be eligible for playoff in all sports unless there are additional issues.

##### B. Competitive Cheer

As of this meeting it does not appear that the MEL will have 4 schools participating in either form of competitive cheer this school year.

##### C. Penalty Phase Completion—Slate Clear?

What happens once a school has met all the obligations set by the league for infraction of league and/or Section rules? At this point the school in question would be clear of league monitoring. However, the slate is not completely clean, because a reoccurrence of a violation by the same program could be seen as a pattern of offense resulting in an upper level penalty determination.

##### D. Additional Reports/Comments--

Clarence Isador reported that Rodriguez' first coaches seminar, which was held Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> was a success. The clinic included guest speakers talking about team building, diet, training and skills as they relate to different sports.

##### H. Next Meeting---September 27<sup>th</sup>, refreshments by Vintage

Meeting adjournment at 11:05

Respectfully Submitted

Joan Mumaugh, MEL Commissioner