WEST ALAMEDA COUNTY CONFERENCE

MINUTES – AD MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2024

Present: Alameda (Nakamura, Gregor), Arroyo (Budge), Berkeley (Parker, Vegt), Bishop O’Dowd (Nishimoto, Kigar), Castro Valley (Feria), Encinal (Lyons), Hayward (Prasad), Mt. Eden (Duran), Piedmont (Smell), San Leandro (Thomas) San Lorenzo (Longaker, Flowers), Tennyson (Sagapolu) Commissioner (Kiesel)

Absent: None

Guests: None

1. There was no public input.

2. There were no changes to the May 14, 2024 AD minutes.

3. AD’s were reminded of the new NCS/CIF requirements that go into effect this year. The league commissioner reviewed many league and NCS beginning-of-the-year requirements.

4. Priority Numbers were drawn and are posted on the website.

5. The NCS SAC agenda items were reviewed and AD’s directed our delegates to:

* Vote their conscience on the boys’ golf date change
* Support the addition of a 3rd place game in basketball and irls volleyball
* Support thew division change proposal for tennis

6. Hillary Kigar reviewed the NCS DEI Committee’s upcoming meetings and discussion items.

7. Cross-Country

* Coaches might tweak meet start times at their 8/12 preseason meeting and AD’s will be notified if there are any changes.
* Permits have been secured from the EBRPD
* The championship fact sheet will be presented at the 10/12 AD meeting; mid-morning start to the league meet.

8. Flag

* MSC (Vegt, Prasad, 10-0-2) to approve the revised Flag Football Special Rules posted on the website and dated “revised proposal 8/8/24.” NOTE: the WACC Board also approved these changes and the revised proposal is now posted on the website.
* The ten schools with flag programs indicated whether they’ll have a JV team or not and also indicated start times for their single games or doubleheaders. Those times have been added to rSchool.
* Gary Duran collected information about participation in our 9/14 jamboree and will have a fact sheet for that event available to AD’s the week of August 12.
* Reminder – when you order uniforms or poppers, get a commitment from the manufacturer that the uni meets NFHS rule book standards.
* San Leandro will have a fact sheet for our 11/2 championships at the October meeting.

9. Golf

* MSC (Duran, Parker, 9-0-3) to approve the 2024-25 Girls’ Golf Schedule. AD’s indicated the site of their home contests
* Arroyo is hosting the 10/21 league championships and will have a fact sheet available at our October 1 meeting.

10. Tennis

* Tennyson announced that they do not have a coach and might not have a girls’ program this Fall.

11. Volleyball

* MSC (Longaker, Thomas, 12-0-0) to approve the revised Volleyball Special Rules, posted on the website and dated “proposed 8/8/24.”
* Encinal announced that they were unsure at this point whether they would have a third level. If that happens, the league will guarantee that an appropriate number of league contests.
* AD;s indicated start times for the first volleyball in the sequence of two or three games and rSchool has been updated.

No action was taken on the Fall sports of football and water polo

12. Basketball

* EBBOA is going through some personnel changes and wants to renegotiate their contract; they’ll probably have a revised contract tender in time of our next meeting.
* MSC (Longaker, Thomas, 12-0-0) to approve the changes to the Basketball Special Rules, posted on the website and dated “proposed 8/8/2024.”

13. Soccer

* MSC (Longaker, Parker, 12-0-0) to approve the changes to the Soccer Special Rules posted on the website qand dated “proposed 8/8/2024
* AD’s were reminded that soccer schedules should be in the hands of the NBSRA by September 30.

14. Wrestling

* AD’s recommended Sabrina Ross, CVHS wrestling coach, to be the WACC representative on the NCS Wrestling Management Committee

15 Badminton

* MSC (Longaker, Duran 11-0-1) to approve the 2024-25 badminton schedules posted on the website and dated “proposed 8/8/2024.”

16. Baseball

* MSC (Longaker, Duran 12-0-0) to approve the varsity baseball schedules posted on the website and dated “proposed 8/8/2024.”
* MSC (Duran, Lyons, 12-0-0) to approve the revised Baseball Special Rules, posted on the website and dated “proposed 8/8/2024.”
* AD’s had a thorough discussion of non-varsity JV programs and are ready to develop a league schedule. Four schools have a freshman team and want to start filling in games for that program.

17. Lacrosse

* Lacrosse AD’s are comfortable with the coaches’ recommendation to hold the postseason meeting on Seeding Sunday.

18. Softball

* MSC (Longaker, Duran, 12-0-0) to approve the revised Softball Special Rules, posted on the website and dated “revisions proposed 8/8/24
* MSC (Longaker, Duran, 12-0-0) to approve the Foothill and Shoreline softball schedules for Spring 2025 posted on the website.

19. Swimming and Diving

* The league commissioner, working with the Mt. Eden swim program, will assign “tasks” to each school participating in our league championship meet.
* MSC (Prasad, Duran, 11-0-1) to approve the 2025 swim schedule posted on the website.

20. AD’s reviewed the proposed track and field schedule but did not take any action. AD’ want to work with their coaches to minimize dual meet conflicts with Saturday invitationals.

21. Volleyball

* MSC (Parker, Lyons, 12-0-0) to approve the spring volleyball schedules posted on the website.

22. There was discussion during the 2023-24 season at both the AD and Board level about the advantages and disadvantages of reimbursing league schools for hosting league events. The league commissioner reviewed the results of an incomplete survey conducted last year. There was consensus that all schools are doing their share of hosting league events. There was consensus that the league should pay for officials, timers, rental fees, permits; specific defined costs of running that event. There was no consensus about whether schools should be reimbursed for other costs. This item will be placed on the October AD and Board agendas.

23. Financial

* The 2023-24 Financial Accounting Sheets were reviewed
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* The 2024-25 invoices were disseminated
* The league commissioner reviewed the need for higher league dues for the 2024-25 season.

24. The league commissioner reminded schools to clean up their “notifications” on the rSchool website.

25. There was no new business

Respectfully Submitted:

Dave Kiesel, WACC Commissioner

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 1, 2024; 8:00 am; Hayward High STEAM Building