

WEST ALAMEDA COUNTY CONFERENCE
MINUTES – AD MEETING
Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Present: Alameda (Molina), Arroyo (Budge), Berkeley (Parker), Bishop O’Dowd (Reed, Nishimoto), Castro Valley (Stacy), Encinal (Gorham), Hayward (Prasad), Mt. Eden (Duran, Hernandez), Piedmont (Smet) San Leandro (Thomas) San Lorenzo (Longaker), Tennyson (Feeney) (Commissioner (Kiesel)

Absent: None

Guests: Eric Holzheimer, Diving Coach

1. There was no public input

2. There were no changes to the November 14, 2022 AD minutes.

3. Basketball

- Hayward reported that they’ll have bleachers by next season.

4. Soccer

- AD’s expressed serious concern about the inability of the NBSRA, our new soccer officials’ association, to provide three officials to our soccer games. Their interpretation of the contract also differs from that presented by their representative, Steve Larsen, last spring. We continue ongoing discussions with them. AD’s emphasize that we expect three officials at all our soccer games but understand that there will be emergencies when the NBSRA is only able to provide two officials. One official is unacceptable, as is allowing an individual from the bleachers to officiate the contest.
- The league needs to take into consideration field availability for practices when scheduling soccer league games.

5. Wrestling

- The fact sheet for our league tournament is posted on the website
- Both Alameda and Tennyson will be integrated into our wrestling schedule next winter. This means we’ll need one more match date and we’ll begin those match dates selection process at the wrestling coaches’ postseason meeting.
- We need to make sure that schools follow the guidelines for defining a “novice” wrestler at our novice tournament.

6. Badminton

- MSC (Molina, Longaker, 11-0-1) to approve the fact sheet presented by Mt Eden and posted on the website
- San Lorenzo will be treated next year as a “one gym” school when scheduling next year.

7. Baseball

- Alameda will host the championship games at COA on Friday, May 12.

- Tennyson will know their baseball levels by the end of the week.
- San Lorenzo and Mt. Eden will have no JV program

8. Golf

- San Leandro will host the league tournament on Monday, May 1 at the Metropolitan
- Schools were reminded to review dates, sites, and times of their matches.

9. Lacrosse

- Bishop O'Dowd will host the tournament championships on Thursday, April 27 (NOTE DATE CHANGE)

10. Softball

- Bishop O'Dowd will host the tournament championships at their site on Friday, May 12 (NOTE DATE CHANGE)

11. Swimming and Diving

- Arroyo has no coach at this point
- Hayward will have a small number of swimmers that will practice with Mt. Eden and participate as Hayward athletes in meets with Mt. Eden.

12. Tennis

- Bishop O'Dowd will host the league tennis championships, tentatively scheduled for Chabot.

13. Track and Field

- San Lorenzo will host our Non-Varsity Culminating Meet on Wednesday, April 26
- Hayward will host our championships on May 3 and 5
- Coaches will work on integration of the 4 x 800 and some unified events at our preseason meeting.

14. Spring Volleyball

- MSC Smet, Molina, 11-0-0) to approve the revised volleyball schedule, a revision necessary due to officiating availability

15. Cross-Country

- MSC (Duran, Longaker, 12-0-0) to approve the 23-24 Cross-Country schedule posted on the website.
- MSC (Duran, Feeney, 12-0-0) to use disposable bibb chips in our league championship meet.

14. Football

- MSC (Longaker Duran, 11-0-0) to approve the **football** and tennis schedules posted on the website

- The league commissioner asked schools to try to move one of their Friday home games to a Thursday or a Saturday.

15. Fall Tennis

- MSC (Longaker Duran, 11-0-0) to approve the football and **tennis** schedules posted on the website.

16. Fall Volleyball

- Schedules were reviewed but not approved. AD's wanted to ensure that back-to-back games fell evenly among schools.

17. Water Polo

- AD's briefly reviewed possible protest language and suggested we get input from MACPolo.

18. While AD's seem to like many the options presented by our rSchoolToday, our website sponsor, AD's are required by the NCS to also enter scheduled into CIFHome, the site mandated by the NCS. This means that AD's are doing the same thing twice and wasting time. One possibility is to move everything to CIF Home; another would be to work with rSchoolToday to get the ability to populate CIFHome with schedules from rSchool. This is a work in progress.

19. Some WACC schools will be offering flag football

Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 1; Hayward High STEAM Building

Respectfully submitted

Dave Kiesel, WACC Commissioner