# Central California Athletic League

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CCAL Leadership Team Meeting 7:00am; August 29, 2023 The Old Mill Cafe, 600 S. Ninth St., Modesto

- 1.0) Welcome and Introductions: President Sanchez
- 1.1 Period for Public Discussion: Members of the public may address the Leadership Team on items not on the agenda. Speakers will be allowed five(5) minutes to discuss their issue unless the majority of the Team waive this limit. Members of the public may request, at least 24 hours prior to the opening of this 7:00am meeting, the opportunity to address the Leadership Team, at this meeting, by emailing edfelt1@gmail.com.

Members in Attendance: Gregori, Downey, Pitman, Turlock, Modesto High, Enoch. (AD's and Principals)- No absences. Will Deboard, Assistant Commissioner of SJS and Mark Chase, Assigner, is are also in attendance. Marie Russel was also in attendance.

Meeting began at 7:06 AM with a welcome from Ed Felt. Ed discussed that it will be a mild year because there were no changes our league. All Members of the team introduced themselves.

- 2.0 Old Business: Commissioner Felt
- 2.1 Presentation of May 16, 2023 CCAL Leadership Team Mtg. Minutes Motion: Justin Woodbridge Second: Phillip Jaramillo Motioned carried unanimously
- 2.2 Presentation of August 29, 2023 CCAL Financial Report
  (F&M Bank Statement and CCAL Activities (5/01/23-7/31/23)
  Last balance in May was \$11,130.23. The beginning balance was \$4055.66. Ed explained that mileage went up due to increase gas prices. The new website company also costs more than the last company. Ed also provided the cost of hosting the cross country meets with the city as well as two parade permits.

Ed also received assessment fees from 4/6 members that should show up on our next report

Motion: Angela Freeman Second: Phillip Jarmillo

Motion Carried Unanimously

3.0 New Business: President Sanchez and Commissioner Felt

3.1 Officials Assignors Update: (Info) Mark Chase

Mark reminded everyone that spring and winter sports are open to request officials. He doesn't need the brackets yet, but he needs the dates.

With regards to fall sports, he isn't going to talk about girls flag football much, but he spent some time positively talking about it in other district. Jimmy asked how much he charged. Varsity would be \$46 and JV would be \$42 per official. Football and volleyball are going well. Some teams are surprising people this year. Mark asked if anyone is doing Arbitor pay for billing. No one is using that currently but next year everyone will be required to used Arbitor.

#### 3.2 2023/24 CCAL Ticket Prices: (Action) Com. Felt

Ed revisited this topic that the league began discussing last spring. He explained that increasing ticket prices allows us to cover site costs, not league costs. We are currently at \$10 flat fee for the highest ticket prices, and \$5 for the lowest ticket price. Ed explained that he conducted a price comparison and this new ticket price is comparable to other district.

Jimmy asked about rivalry games. Specifically, can we charge an additional \$1 for a rivalry game. Ed discussed the possibility of adding an extra fee should a team choose to. Ed stated hat he can motion to amend the language to add a \$1 to a football rivalry game.

Ed explained that increasing the ticket prices may be a good discussion with the district office. The district may choose to increase its contributions to the site athletics to offset the cost to the community. Marie recommended having it included in the LCAP.

Jimmy stated that he believes we need to ensure that we are standardized in our charging. Jimmy asked if anyone charges extra for rivalry games. No members of the league stated that they charge extra.

Motions: Dave Kline

Second: Phuc Pham-Goulart Motion Carried Unanimously

3.3 Game Supervision/ Crowd Control: (Info) Com. Felt

Reminder of game supervision rules. Ed stated they are in the bylaws. He stated hat we need to ensure that we are providing the necessary supervision per our bylaws.

3.4 CIF/SJS Activities and Updates: (Info) SJS Asst. Com. Will Deboard

#### I. Welcome Back

Ed introduced Will Deboard. Will welcomed back the league and provided his background. Will explained that he has a lot of stuff to share but also stated that he is mainly present to answer questions.

New Assistant Commissioner was hired: Jeff Lawrence from Davis Senior High School. He is handling about half the transfers and the social media.

There is an administrative assistant opening. Will stated that if anyone knows anyone who is interested to let him know.

The office has moved from the office in Lodi, to an office 9381 E Stockton Blvd in Elk Grove. 9245 Laguna Blvd. in Elk Grove is a temporary office will the other office is being remodeled.

Will stated that we should have gotten the welcome back letter from Mike. Principal's must fill out the emergency action plan to receive league passes. All members of the CCAL had received their passes. Will stated that these passes are completely transferable.

Will reviewed the 2023-24 goals for the section.

Will reviewed the CCAL- CIF Designation Representatives for this year. He stated that currently we are approved to vote on league items.

# II. Technology

Will discussed the reason for changing websites. He explained that Presto Sports did not provide much assistance when there was an issue. Mascot Media is the new company for the Section website. Should be fully functional by the end of August. CIF Home: Will stated that about a year ago we went to home 2.0, resulting in quite a few issues. He stated that over the last year, Home 2.0 has improved over the last year. He stated that AD's need to upload rosters into Home 2.0. Will also explained that Ad's need to upload scores into Max Preps. This is used for rankings. Mike Brown asked if scores are uploaded into Max Preps, will it transfer to Home 2.0. Will stated that the information does not transfer in that direction. Will stated that Home 2.0 may be messaging AD's. This system can email Principals and AD. Will stated that it is important that contact information is correct.

Eligibly process- You can fill out this information and place this in the system, but they will go into a holding pattern. Will explained that Home will not automatically send him a message when entering a student about eligibility. He stated that AD's need to email him directly.

It is important that all documentation is uploaded for a student when the Section is assessing eligibility. He stated that if all the documents are not present, the Section will place student in a sit out period.

If a parent contest eligibility, it may take up to twenty days to rule.

A-L Jeff will handle eligibility

M-Z Will will handle eligibility.

Mike will handle International eligibility.

Jason will also be working on edibility.

Will explained that paying officials through Arbiter Pay works much better. Mark stated that this is not required currently but will be required next year.

There is a fee for using Arbiter pay that ranges from \$450-\$2500 depending on the number of officials assigned.

## III. Financial Review.

Will reviewed the financials. He provided a summary.

With regards to playoffs, they started charging district for operating fees. He explained that all of the profits gained from the playoff games were shared back with the district. \$833,000 was shared back with the districts.

Will reviewed the dues that each school site payed to the Section. He explained that the overall dues went down for each school.

Invoices went out to the districts a week or two ago.

Will discussed the increased in various costs.

Will explained that there is a possibility that adding a sport is not a problem, but that addition may cost about \$400.

He explained that he charges the district based on the number of sports. Adding a sport is not a problem but there will be a charge.

James Stacey asked why there was such a large increase in dues. He stated that although we are getting charged, much of that will be returned at the end of the year. Will explained that the number represents what is billed to the districts, but doesn't account what is payed back.

Some of the Foundations games have been moved. Basketball was moved to November 15.

Change: Transfer students on a sit-out period <u>can</u> compete in the foundations game. If a student is ineligible for the entire year, they cannot participate in the foundations game.

## IV. Awards/Programs

Due to cost, the Section lost the vendor that does the old felt banners. Herf-Jones no longer does these banners.

A couple of events are happening in October. The Huddle is a workshop for AD's, principals, and administrator in charge of sports.

October 24: Women in sports conference. Each school can invite three female student athletes. More information is to come.

#### V. Committees

With regards to committees, DEI committee is a new committee focused on Diversity, Equity and inclusion.

Sportsmanship committee will be coming back. Will explained that the state has already elected a sportsmanship policy. There have been several high-profile events in the recent pass. The focus of the Sportsmanship committee will be to eliminate/reduce the number of incidents that occur.

Will reviewed several other committees including the conference committee. Ed asked what the timeline is for the conference committee. Will explained that it won't be quick. Will discussed several possible discussion items for this committee and the potential impact of this committee.

Ed explained that when he was at the realignment meeting, there was some discussion that sounds very similar to the focus of this committee. Will explained that he is not apposed to the idea of the conference model. He believes it can work but there are advantages and disadvantages to the conference model.

# VI. Mandated League Games

Will move onto mandated league games. He stated that there was a lot of Thursday football games in the north due to a lack of officials. He stated that currently there does not seem to be a shortage of officials. The Section does need to be informed if a game is played on a Thursday.

## VII. Playoffs

Will reviewed the information in this section, specifically the required balls that can be used. He explained that AD's should do what they can to find the official ball, but if it's the same brand, it should be fine.

Dustin asked why Pitman is in D1 while Central Valley, who is 200 students larger, is D2. He stated that it is based on enrollment projections. Will stated that if a school believes their enrollment has changes by 15%, that school can request to change division.

Will asked if any schools are exclusively using GoFan. Enoch is the only school exclusively using GoFan.

With regards to playoffs, regardless of the distance, an administrator must attend.

#### VIII. General Topic

Our league will be adding girls flag football for next year. Will stated that currently 70 schools have girls flag football. He stated that there will be two divisions of section championships.

Upcoming item: Potential change to ejection policy. Will stated that 25% were adults. The playoff committee stated that if an adult gets ejected from the game, the coach/spectator will lose three contests.

Dead Period: Currently we have a dead period that is three weeks before and after each period but weightlifting and conditioning is approved. Nothing mandatory can occur during dead period. The league is looking at eliminating the dead period before a sport. They want to move to a two-week dead period July 1 – July 14 with absolutely not activity.

They are looking at moving up playoffs in the spring to ensure that we can limit conflicts with graduation and senior events.

Jimmy stated that transition from Fall to Winter Sports is excellent, but the transition from Winter to Spring has almost a month of overlap currently. By moving up the Spring playoffs, the overlap will be more dramatic.

Officials: Last year we went through official negotiations. They eliminated the language in the bylaws that allowed for any group to come in and assign officials to games. Each of these groups needs to sign an MOU so that the league is not liable. Will stated that leagues should be using assigners that have already signed an MOU with the section.

Ed explained that at the commissioners meeting, he did not get the rule books. Mike Brown stated that he would be happy to pick them up from Elk Grove.

Dustin asked about the form that can filled out for sports specific advisory meetings, but he did not see a drop-down from wrestling. Will explained that wrestling, cross country and track will have a wrestling representative for the CCAL. Will could not recall who the rep. is for CCAL wrestling. Generally, these are not elected by the board but are selected by volunteer.

- 3.5 Approved Additional Items/Topics for Discussion: (Info) Com. Felt
- 4.0 Future Meeting Dates: Commissioner Felt
- 4.1 CCAL Athletic Directors: September 19, 2023 Post Restaurant at 12:00 PM
- 4.2 CCAL Leadership Team: September 26, 2023 Old Mill Cafe
  - 4.3 SJS Board of Managers: October 3, 2023
- 5.0 Adjournment: President Sanchez Meeting adjourned 8:41 AM.