

# CENTRAL COAST SECTION-CIF LEAGUE COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, December 08, 2005

CCS OFFICE

## MINUTES (not yet approved by League Commissioners)

Chairperson Ed Ravenscroft called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

### I. ROLL CALL (All present)

**BVAL** Barbara Beard  
**CAL** Matt Blandin  
**CPSAL** Gretchen Seeley  
**MBL/MTAL/TCAL** Tim McCarthy  
**PAL** Terry Stogner  
**PSAL** Joe Endaya  
**SCCAL** Pat Lovell

**SCVAL** Tony Nunes  
**WBAL** Jez McIntosh  
**WCAL** Ed Ravenscroft  
**CCS Staff:** Nancy Lazenby Blaser, Commissioner  
Steve Stearns, Ass't. Commissioner  
Howard Jensen, Events Coordinator  
Ray Mialovich, Events Coordinator  
Jeanna Fratus, Secretary

### II. INTRODUCTIONS & WELCOME

Chairperson Ravenscroft welcomed all to the meeting.

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2005 meeting, as submitted.

**MSC**

### IV. STAFF REPORT

#### A. CCS FINANCIAL REPORTS

Commissioner Lazenby Blaser reviewed the final June, 2005 CCS Financial Reports, and reported that there was a surplus at the end of the 2004-05 fiscal year. Nancy stated that she will be seeking suggestions from the CCS Executive Committee to recommend to the Board of Managers as to what should be done with this excess. Possible areas of consideration might be to apply the amounts toward the scholarship fund, un-budgeted moving expenses and the general reserve.

**No recommending action taken**

#### B. CCS WINTER PLAY-OFFS - Review

##### 1. Basketball

Ass't. Commissioner Stearns briefly reviewed the procedures for teams to qualify to the CCS Play-offs which, effective this year, has changed in that the League waiver for teams under .500 is no longer allowed, and teams that are neither League Champions nor Automatic Qualifiers must have at least a .500 record in either League play or in non-League play (overall record is no longer a factor). Steve also reported that Santa Clara University will most likely be the site for all of the CCS Basketball Finals, and that, due to ever-increasing crowds each year, we are planning to hold the Division I Boys Quarter-Finals and Semi-Finals at Independence HS, where we will have to split usage days with Wrestling.

##### 2. Wrestling

Commissioner Lazenby Blaser reviewed the new CIF Weight-Management Program procedures that CCS schools will be using to ensure that all participating wrestlers are tested. Nancy reported that, generally, the process has gone extremely well in the Southern Conference, okay in the Central Conference and in need of much improvement in the Northern Conference. Although the system will have to be modified somewhat next year, the coaches and wrestlers have been very cooperative for the most part. There will probably be a need to hire some new assessors next year. Also, Nancy feels that, because the whole process was extremely labor-intensive for her, and took an inordinate amount of her time away from her other duties, a separate person will need to be hired to oversee this program for the Section next year.

#### C. CCS PLAY-OFF SITES/DATES

Commissioner Lazenby Blaser reported that the CCS Staff will be submitting to the Board of Managers a proposal to insert in each of the Sport Bylaws and Participant Information Bulletins a statement addressing the fact that the Commissioner/Staff is solely responsible for determining sites and times of all Play-off contests, and that there is no guarantee in any sport of neutral sites being utilized. This statement has become necessary due to the increasing difficulty in finding

**IV. STAFF REPORT** (continued)

**C. CCS PLAY-OFF SITES/DATES** (continued)

member-schools willing to provide their sites unless they are able to play at their own facility, yet ever-increasing criticism from those same participants about when and where they are scheduled to play.

**D. SPORT COMMITTEE EVALUATION MEETINGS**

Commissioner Lazenby Blaser reminded that, as approved by the Board of Managers at its last meeting, a new CCS policy, regarding when a Sports Committee's post-Play-offs Evaluation Meeting will convene, or not, is now in effect. Basically, if there is no major format change submitted to the CCS office from any League, the meeting will not be held.

**V. ACTION ITEMS – Prior Circulation**

**A. SPRING SPORTS COMMITTEES PROPOSALS**

**1. Track & Field**

- a. At-Large Entries – Would allow athletes to qualify for At-Large entry if their League Qualifying Meet mark is equal to, or better than, the average of the last-place qualifying mark to the CCS Finals from the last three (3) most recent years

Chairperson Ravenscroft reminded that the League Commissioners Committee had already taken a position of **support** for this item. **No further action taken**

- b. MTAL/MBL/TCAL Proposal – Set minimum number of entries at two (2) for each League

Chairperson Ravenscroft reminded that the League Commissioners Committee had already taken a position of **non-support** for this item. **No further action taken**

**B. SPORTSMANSHIP COMMITTEE PROPOSAL – Modification of CCS Sportsmanship Policy –**

Would reinforce policy that entering the playing area to dispute an official's call would be considered unsportsmanlike conduct, which could result in immediate ejection

Chairperson Ravenscroft reminded that the League Commissioners Committee had already taken a position of **non-support** for this item; however, Ass't. Commissioner Stearns and MBL/MTAL/TCAL Commissioner **Tim McCarthy** reported that the CCS Sportsmanship Committee had developed some amending language to its proposal, as a result of feed-back from some member-schools that the language was too harsh.

After brief discussion, it was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED (by a 5-3-2 hand-vote) to reconsider its previous vote of non-support and **recommend approval** of this proposal, with the addition of the modified language. **MSC**

**C. CCS BYLAW, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 7 – 19-Year-Old Waiver**

Commissioner Lazenby Blaser reviewed a proposal from the CCS Executive Committee that would implement a policy and procedure for waiving CIF Bylaw 201 (19-Year-Old Rule) for appropriate student-athletes within the CCS.

After brief discussion it was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to **recommend approval** of this proposal. **MSC**

**VI. ACTION ITEMS – No Prior Circulation**

**A. FALL, '05-06 SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Lazenby Blaser and Ass't. Commissioner Stearns reviewed the Sport Committee Reports below, and it was then MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to **accept** all the submitted Reports: **MSC**

**1. Cross Country**

**2. Field Hockey**

**VI. ACTION ITEMS – No Prior Circulation** (continued)

**A. FALL, '05-06 SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS** (continued)

**3. Football**

(Ass't. Commissioner Stearns reported that the Football Committee had just met the night before this meeting; therefore, no report was yet available.)

**4. Girls Golf**

It was also MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to **recommend approval** of the Girls Golf Committee's major format change proposal (*to change the qualifying requirement for At-Large Team entries from 80% of the course slope at the League Tournament to 78% of the slope*).

**MSC**

**5. Girls Tennis** (Report submitted by Staff – No meeting held)

**6. Girls Volleyball**

(Ass't. Commissioner Stearns reported that the Volleyball Committee had just met the night before this meeting; therefore, no report was yet available.)

**7. Water Polo**

(Discussion from the floor focused on the need for Independence HS to improve its Water Polo facility and not altering the Tournament schedule, as recommended by the Water Polo Committee.)

**B. CIF ITEMS**

After Commissioner Lazenby Blaser reviewed the following CIF items, it was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to recommend that the Board send our CCS delegates instructed to vote **YES** on all three of the below-listed items:

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**1. Action Items** (to be Action Items at Feb., '06 CIF Federated Council meeting)

**a. CIF Bylaw 22.B.-12 (Conditions of Membership)** – *Modify language as a result of passage of SB 37*

**b. CIF Bylaw 524 (Steroid Prohibition)** – *Modify language as a result of passage of SB 37*

**2. Discussion Items** (to be Action Items at May, '06 CIF Federated Council meeting)

**a. Championships, New Events Committee Proposal** – *Continue with the State Championship in both Boys and Girls Golf*

**VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**A. CCS DEADLINE DATES-** Review

Chairperson Ravenscroft reviewed the following deadline dates for the remainder of the 2005-06 school year:

**1. Winter Sportsmanship Policy contracts** – December 10<sup>th</sup>

**2. Spring Sports Tournament Sanctioning Applications** – January 01<sup>st</sup> (late submittal only)

**3. Winter Sports Rosters** – February 01<sup>st</sup>

**4. Rule Book Orders** – February 14<sup>th</sup>

**5. Awards**

**a. Scholastic Team Award Applications** – third Wednesday in February (15<sup>th</sup>)

**b. Distinguished Service Award Nominations** – February 28<sup>th</sup>

**c. Scholar/Athlete-of-the-Year Scholarship Applications** – March 10<sup>th</sup>

**d. Spring Honor Coach Nominations** – March 15<sup>th</sup>

**6. Fees**

**a. Winter Sports Services** – January 01<sup>st</sup>

**b. Spring Sports Services** – March 01<sup>st</sup>

**c. Winter Play-offs** – March 07<sup>th</sup>

**VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** (continued)

**B. LEAGUE REPORTS**

1. **BVAL** – The League will conduct a required Water Polo coaching seminar in August.

2. **CAL** – No report.

3. **CPSAL** – No report.

4. **MBL** – No report.

5. **MTAL** – No report.

6. **PAL**

League Commissioner Terry Stogner requested that the newly-changed CCS Bylaw **Article IV, Section 7. (Leagues: Basic, Supplemental, Inter-Conference)** be re-examined because of supplemental leaguings issues that the PAL is experiencing.

After lengthy discussion, it was MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED to **recommend eliminating Section 7(a)-2. and the last sentence of Section 7(b), and re-word the entire Bylaw.** (Commissioner Lazenby Blaser stated that she will attempt to re-word the Bylaw and submit her suggested modification to the Board for immediate and retroactive approval.) **MSC**

7. **PSAL** – No report.

8. **SCCAL** – No report

9. **SCVAL** – No report.

10. **TCAL** – No report.

11. **WBAL** – No report

12. **WCAL** – No Report

**C. PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT** - Chairperson Ravenscroft adjourned the meeting at 11:05am.

Respectfully submitted: Jeanna Fratus, Secretary  
Reviewed & approved: Steve Stearns, Ass't. Commissioner