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FROM Jeff Young, Lacrosse Commissioner
DATE May 17, 2006
RE **MINUTES FROM 2006 CIF CCS LACROSSE POSTSEASON MEETING**

On May 17, at 4:10 pm in the CCS office the Lacrosse coaches conducted its postseason meeting. Introductions began with

Girl's Representatives

Dana Chapin, Santa Catalina School, Mona Phil Scot, Pioneer High School, Tiffany Basilio, St. Ignatius College Prep, Jen Lee, Menlo School, Maria Flaherty, Menlo-Atherton High School, Steve Alms, Burlingame, Jim Moss, Sacred Heart School, Denae Moore, Harker

Boy's Representatives

Bruce Dini, Carmel High School, Jeff Young, Stevenson School, Iliad Rodriguez, Leland High School, Maria Flaherty, Menlo-Atherton High School, Steve Alms, Burlingame, Wes Koenig, Keith Leisses, Bob Rivers, Harbor

Others:

Nancy Lazenby Blaser, Commissioner CCS, Steve Sterns, Asst. Commissioner, Pat Lovell, SCCAL Commissioner

The following items were discussed and recommendations made:

Maximum number of games – 20 this year and all had a few words about how it and tournaments affected their season with some coaches wanting more and others feeling we have to many. Discussion followed regarding scheduling V vs JV and how it counts 2x on varsity schedule of JV team.

COUNTING MAXIMUM NUMBER OF GAMES WHEN JV vs VARSITY

Steve Sterns and Nancy Blaser led discussion to explain how it can affect your schools. This is a very frustrating and, often-times, confusing issue. Basically, it works this way...

School A's JV team plays School B's Varsity:

for *School A* - counts as a contest toward the maximum number of contests for both *School A's JV and Varsity*, but cannot be counted on *School A's Varsity* overall record (because you can't have a Varsity loss without a corresponding Varsity win by someone [see *School B* situation below]); nor can it be counted toward any seeding or at-large selection points on the Season Summary Sheet for post-season play;

for *School B* - counts as a contest toward the maximum number of contests for *School B's Varsity*, but cannot be counted on *School B's Varsity* record, because it is not against Varsity competition, or toward any seeding points on the Season Summary Sheet for post-season play (if *School B* is actually *School A's Varsity*, the same rulings as for *School B* would apply – basically a “double-whammy” for *School A*).

It this sounds a bit harsh, it is meant to be so. To have teams purposely scheduling this type of competition is not a sound practice. Unfortunately, where it happens a lot is during tournaments, where a team will drop out at the last minute, and now you're looking for a replacement team, and there doesn't seem to be one available. Tough times for everyone!

Adding lacrosse leagues to CCS

SI, Santa Catalina and Steveson all want to belong to a league. Emails to be sent out to WCAL commissioner, BVAL commissioner, and WBAL Commissioner about adding Lacrosse for girls to those existing leagues since both have 2 or 3 basic members.

SI wants to be included in any Nor Cal event of CCS vs NCS. It was explained that they will never be eligible to do that since they are not in a league. League play leads to section playoffs. Section playoffs lead to Nor Cal play. Very few sports have this. When we have enough leagues (3 or 4) then a year long applications process with CCS would lead to Section playoffs which then would lead to another year long process to get any Nor Cal playoffs. CCS is a long way off from this while the NCS has 5 leagues for both Boys and Girls.

Follow up. Emails were received from WCAL Commissioner and BVAL Commissioner

From: Ed Ravenscroft, WCAL Commissioner
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2006 4:35 PM
To: Flaherty, M Maria
Cc: Ed Ravenscroft
Subject: Re: Lacrosse

Maria,

I brought your request for a Lacrosse league within the WCAL at the ADs and Principals meeting this past week, and both bodies rejected it. Maybe something will happen in the future, but not at this time.

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From: Barbara Beard, BVAL Commissioner
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2006 1:57 PM
To: Flaherty, M Maria
Subject: Re: Lacrosse League for the BVAL

Yes, you are correct. We are not in a position to form a new league at this time. There seems to be no new BVAL schools able to support a program. The need to form a new supplemental league would need to be directed by Terry. At this time he has indicated he wants to do this. Your support is appreciated, but matters of this sort need to be directed by the schools not parents.

Jez McIntosh has not responded yet.

Maria spoke with Robert Vergara and he said he was not aware his coaches wanted to be in a league. He has heard from both that they did not want to be in the PAL or any league as they prefer to play the stronger NCS teams on an independent schedule.

For any league to go forward the coaches must have communication with the AD's and the Principals who are on the BOM and that is who will make the initiation to add lacrosse to existing leagues. Most require 6 but will consider requests for 5.

Off season.

Several teams in particular would like to keep playing now. Can they do that? Nancy went over when the end of season was (the last day your team has competition so for teams not in league championships it is the day after their last game), answered questions about off season use of uniforms, helmets, equipment even if personally owned. They can't use the name, mascot, school colors for club teams. Steve Sterns shared summer officially begins the 2nd Saturday in June.

Coaches Training

Pat Lovell brought to light that by 2008 all coaches are required to complete ASEP or Positive Coaching Alliance training.

Dates for 2007

Members of the lacrosse committee confirmed the following dates for the 2007 boy's and girl's lacrosse season:

CCS Coaches Meeting Wed, Nov 1, 2007 4:00PM
PAL First day to practice 4th Monday in January 2, 2007
PAL Coaches Meeting January 31, 7pm SMCOED
CCS Lacrosse Jamboree – Girls, Feb 10, 2007
CCS Lacrosse Jamboree – Boys, Feb 17, 2007
PAL League Finals 2nd Saturday in May 13, 2007 @ Burlingame, 11am Girls, 1pm Boys
PAL Coaches end of season meeting Tuesday May 15, 2007 @ 4:00 SMCOE
SCCAL League Finals
SCCAL Coaches end of season meeting
CCS Coaches end of season meeting May 16, 2007 @ 4:00 PM CCS Office

Other important dates:

M-A JV Boys Lacrosse Tournament March 10, 2007
Carmel Varsity Boys Lacrosse Tournament, March 23, 24, 2007
Western States Girls Varsity Tournament – April 7, 2007
M-A JV Girls Lacrosse Tournament May 5, 2007
Nor Cal Senior All Star Game – Girls, Sunday May 20, 2007

SATS & Subject Tests will be:

March 1, 2006,
May 5, 2007
June 3, 2007

AP Testing will be: May 7-11 and May 9-13, 2007, late testing May 14-16, 2007

CCS Lacrosse Policies

No revisions to Lacrosse Policies and Information were recommended.

Officials

Pat Lovell led a discussion on Officials fees for boys feeling the \$300 per team assignor fee and official charge of \$72 per official this year are out of line with other sports. Terry Stogner has negotiated with Fred Munich regarding fees. The boys assignor has agreed to \$15 per game assignor fee for 2006. They want to stick to the new \$72 fee due to gas prices etc. Pat and Terry will continue to negotiate with them.

The girls' coaches expressed concerns that too much yelling at officials occurred this year. Strategies to get clarification on calls via the speaking Captain to an official were recommended and strategy as how to do that when that Captain is on the other side of the field.

We continue to have a shortage on both the girls and boys side. Thank you went out to the new girls programs at Mercy Burlingame and Harker for stacking their JV games at Pioneer and WHS after Varsity games enabling 2 officials for both games at one location. Coaches will do their best to help find potential officials within their communities with hopes of augmenting the existing pool of officials. It was suggested that the official coordinator publish well in advance training dates so coaches can encourage these potential officials to attend the training sessions.

Cancellation of games

Dana Chapin spoke about canceling games. There were several reports by coaches that games were cancelled by opponents at the last minute during this season. The committee wishes to make a strong statement that each team should police their program and ensure that schedules be followed. Conflicts to schedule should be closely monitored and changes made well in advance of the scheduled contest. In the event of a conflict a rescheduled date must be arranged and agreed upon by both schools. The committee is of the opinion that canceling games at the last minute is highly unprofessional. Rain did play a major factor this year but Dana felt like the PAL coaches did not take games with her seriously. Those cancelled would not reschedule even when they volunteered to travel to them. League games take precedence so that is why some PAL vs Ind had to be cancelled and no room to make it up before the 2nd Saturday in May when all CCS Lacrosse games are concluded. No games may be played after that day. It was also recognized that those teams playing an independent schedule can not receive a forfeit on a game since they are not league games and only league games can be forfeited. Those independent teams Santa Catalina and Stevenson in particular very much want to be in a league.

Maximum number of contests, tournament, Scrimmage

SCCAL teams wanted to know why some of their games were games and some were scrimmages. Pat said they will discuss at their league meeting. Teams must follow Section 4 Number of Contests in the CCS Lacrosse Policies and Information for the 2007 season. Teams in PAL are permitted to play 20 games plus one scrimmage and one jamboree. SCCVAL teams are permitted to play 20 games plus xx scrimmages and xxx jamboree. CCS Independent teams were following the PAL for scrimmage and Jamboree.

Each day of tournament or invitational play counts as one contest regardless of the number of games actually played **if they are less than regulation length**. Teams are limited to a maximum of three

tournaments. PAL end of season League tournament and CCS Section Playoff games do not count toward the maximum. Any team exceeding the maximum number of contacts shall receive the following year a penalty of two times the number of games exceeding the limit. The same for playing games after the end of the season which is the second Saturday in May.

Discussion about what is a Scrimmage and what is a jamboree followed. According to the PAL
SCRIMMAGE RULES

- b. Scrimmages may be held on any day (except Sundays)
- c. All participants in interscholastic scrimmages must be eligible in accordance with General Eligibility.
- d. All participants in interscholastic scrimmages must have completed nine days of practice in the sport.
- e. Scrimmages may not be held with non-high school teams or individuals.
- f. No score may be kept.
- g. No admission may be charged.

Pat said the SCCVAL has not defined it for Lacrosse and the coaches would with the bylaws.

NOTE: Any interactions between two or more schools must be classified as a scrimmage, play date or a contest and subjected to the scrimmage/contest limits.

Each league per CCS governs JAMBOREE RULES. PAL is using NCS currently which state

Each League/Section may conduct a "Jamboree" in each sport with the following guidelines:

- a) It must be sponsored by the league for League/Section MEMBER SCHOOLS only,
- b) It must be held in one continuous time period during one day.
- c) Participation will not count against the maximum games limit provided: the total time of participation or equivalent measurement (i.e. innings in softball or baseball) for each school does not exceed that of one regular game in the respective sport.
- d) The goal of jamboree is to get field training for officials.

Positive Coaching Alliance

Jen Lee, PAL Sports Chair for girls went over again the importance of the US Lacrosse relationship with Positive Coaching Alliance and wants to see that improved next year.

The following page is the alignment of schools into lacrosse leagues for Spring 2007.

LEGEND: B = placement in basic league
 S = placement as a supplemental team
 # = school lacrosse team

PAL = Peninsula Athletic League
 SCCAL = Santa Cruz County Athletic League
 IND = Independent schedule not in a league

SCHOOL	B VAR	G VAR	B JV	G JV	PAL	SCCAL	BVAL
Harker				#			
Stevenson		#		#			
St. Ignatius	#	#	#	#			
Santa Catalina		#		#			
Bellarmine	#		#		S		
Burlingame			#	#	B		
Castilleja		#		#	S		
Gunn		#		#	S		
Leland	#	#	#	#	S		#
Mercy, Burlingame				#	S		
Menlo-Atherton	#	#	#	#	B		
Menlo School	#	#	#	#	B		
Pioneer		#			S		#
Sacred Heart Schools	#	#		#	S		
Woodside	#	#	#		B		
Aptos	#					#	
Carmel	#					#	
Harbor	#					#	
Pacific Grove	#					#	
R.L. Stevenson	#		#			#	
Santa Cruz	#					#	
San Lorenzo Valley	#					#	
Scotts Valley	#					#	

NOTE: Burlingame high attended PAL meeting with intentions of fielding HS teams in 2007.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55PM when Nancy flickered the lights as Water Polo had a meeting to begin.

Respectfully submitted

Maria Flaherty for Jeff Young
 CCS Lacrosse Chairman