

# Vine Valley Athletic League

## Vine Valley Athletic League Principal/AD Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, September 28, 2021

Location of Meeting: **Virtual Zoom Meeting Link**

<https://sonomaschools-org.zoom.us/j/92019992044?pwd=dmlXbFhvZmRSbmx2R3N0dmNDM0twUT09>

Meeting ID: 920 1999 2044 Passcode: 261826

Time of Meeting: 8:30-9:30 a.m.

**Call to order and roll call. Meeting called to order at 8:35 am**

Crystal Lopez	American Canyon HS	Jill Stewart	American Canyon HS
Cheri Flohr	American Canyon HS		
Robert Bailey	Justin-Siena HS	Andrew Betteccourt	Justin-Siena HS
George Nessman	Justin-Siena HS	Kate Gauger	Napa HS
Giovani Napoli	Petaluma HS	Darci Ward	Napa HS
Justin Mori	Petaluma HS	Ray McClintock	Petaluma HS
Jessica Hutchinson	Sonoma Valley HS	Mike Boles	Sonoma Valley
Sarah O'Connor	Vintage HS	Cam Neal	Vintage HS
Maryanne Christoffersen	Napa Valley Unified School District		

### Action I. **Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion to approve the agenda as presented.**

**Motion by: Justin-Siena**

**2nd by: Petaluma**

**Results: 6-0**

### II. **Public Comment**

Pursuant to Education Code Section 54954.3 and Education Code section 33353, any member of the public wishing to speak on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the VVAL, CIF, and NCS will be heard at this time. The time for such comment is no more than two (2) minutes per person on an item and no more than twenty (20) minutes total on an item or as designated by the Chair.

### III. **VVAL New Business**

Discussion & Action a. Approval of 2021-2022 League Champion/Automatic Berth Criteria (unbalanced records)

- Proposal - In the event league games are cancelled, due to uncontrollable circumstances and without the ability to make up the contest, the VVAL will apply these tiebreaker criteria for all sports:
  - Team must have played at least 75% of schedule
  - Head-to-head
  - Winning percentage
  - Apply existing VVAL criteria

Note: this draft proposal was developed by EBAL. It was shared at the NCS Commissioner roundtable on September 16, 2021. Feedback was positive.

Motion to approve proposal

Motion by: Vintage

2nd by: Justin-Siena

Results: approved 6-0

Next Step - Boles to include in VVAL Constitution

Discussion & Action b. Approval of Girls Lacrosse Divisions

- Girls teams have increased to 10 schools. Per NCS, If we have 10 schools we can follow the bylaw in 502H to form a league of 10 or 2 divisions of 5. If our league decides on 2 divisions of 5, for approval at the November NCS Alignment Committee.
  - 2 divisions = 2 automatic berths to NCS
  - 1 league = 1 automatic berth to NCS
- Divisions are based on competitive equity (most recent 3 year history of NCS competition) and geographic proximity.
  - Double round robin / remainder of games would be non-league

West Division

Cardinal Newman  
Casa Grande  
Petaluma  
Rancho Cotate  
Windsor

East Division

Justin-Siena  
Napa  
Sonoma Academy  
Sonoma Valley  
Vintage

- Boys teams have 9 schools in league (no action is required).

Motion to approve Girls Lacrosse Division proposal

Motion by: Justin-Siena

2nd by: Petaluma

Results: approved 6-0

Next Steps - Boles to submit proposal to NCS alignment committee for approval and notify

## Supplemental League Members

Discussion & Action c. Approval of Baseball schedule (same two opponents in a week or regular round robin)?

Results: approved 4-2 to keep regular round robin schedule as already posted

Discussion & Action d. Approval of GGOB Basketball Officials contract

- Due to the uncertainty of the upcoming seasons, GGOB would like to extend the current basketball officiating contract "as is" for one more season. The GGOB would keep all of the respective fees (Game officials, Admin and Accounting) at the last year's rates (2020-2021 season) and explore a longer term contract at the beginning of 2022.

Motion to approve proposal

Motion by: Justin-Siena

2nd by: Napa

Results: approved 6-0

Informational e. NCS Girls Golf Championships

- Hosted by VVAL at Blue Rock, Vallejo on October 25, 2021

Informational f: NCS Girls Tennis Championships

- Hosted by VVAL at TBD on November 13, 2021

Informational g: Diversity, Inclusion, & Ethics Committee

- VVAL members Ean Ainsworth & Robert Bailey

## IIII. Round Table Discussion

American Canyon - Wrestling schedule needs the correct year on the VVAL website. AC has begun weekly COVID testing

Petaluma - Asked about GoFan digital ticketing platform. Justin-Siena, American Canyon, Sonoma Valley currently use GoFan (also allow cash purchases for tickets). Napa and Vintage planning on using GoFan for the Winter season (also to allow cash purchases for tickets).

Sonoma Valley - Asked what school requirements are for attendance on gameday. NVUSD - 4 periods or 60%; PUSD - 66%; JS - ½ day excused; SVHS - ½ day excused

Vintage - Wrestling schedule needs the correct year on the VVAL website (Boles to handle). Reminder on the NCS ejection policy and NCS does not handle the appeals. Asked about schools providing space to change into uniforms.

V. **Information** - Next Meeting - Tuesday, November 16, 2021, 8:30 a.m. Virtual or Napa HS

VI **Adjournment** - meeting adjourned at 9:11am