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## SS CROSS COUNTRY COACHES HOLD MEETING

On Monday, October 12, a representative group of CIF, SS Cross Country Coaches met in the CIF, SS office for the purpose of formulating plans for the 1959 preliminary and championship cross country meets. Those in attendance included Ernst Hartman, Compton HS; Jack Rowan, Huntington Beach HS; Bill O'Rourke, Culver City HS; Jim Miller, Pacific HS; Jack Sage, Redondo HS; George Boone, Burroughs HS; Al Zimmerman, Downey HS; Jack Newman, Excelsior HS; and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics.

The CIF, SS cross country program in 1958 was most successful and it was the opinion of the group that this year's program should be conducted in a similar manner with championships to be determined in a Large School, Small School and Junior Varsity division. A school with an enrollment of 1200 or over in the upper three grades would compete in the Large School Division. Schools with enrollments of 1199 or less in the upper three grades would be placed in the Small School Division. Entries would be permitted in the JV division only if a school also had a varsity entry.

Four preliminary meets have been scheduled for 2:30 P.M., Wednesday, November 25, at San Diego, Huntington Beach, Culver City and Pacific High School courses. Each of these prelims will qualify two teams from each division, plus the two fastest boys on non-winning teams, provided they finish among the first five individual finishers, into the championship meet to be held on Friday, Dec. 4, at Long Beach State College.

The only change from last year will be in the completing of the official entry blank, which is due in the CIF Office prior to November 11, 1959. This year a coach may enter a team of 12 boys in the JV division. A team of 12 boys may be entered in the varsity division, providing a school is not entering a JV team. If a JV team is being entered in addition to a varsity team, then the varsity entry list is limited to 7 boys. Boys may be moved up from JV to varsity but boys on the varsity roster may not be dropped down to compete in the JV race. This regulation was adopted in an effort to prevent coaches from overloading their JV team.

Entry blanks were mailed to all schools on October 26. Any coach of a school desirous of entering this year's meet who has not received an entry blank as he reads this, should contact the

## HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TO CARRY OLYMPIC TORCH

To highlight the opening of the 1960 Winter Olympics, more than 500 California high school boys will participate in a relay program designed to carry the Olympic Torch from the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum to Squaw Valley, the site of the 1960 Winter Olympic games. This gigantic undertaking is being organized under the direction of Mr. William C. Ackerman, member of the Winter Games Pageantry Committee, with the assistance of Harold Olsen, Secretary of the CIF Central Section, James Cave, Secretary of the Sac-Joaquin Section of the CIF, and Ken Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics for the CIF, Southern Section.

The torch must arrive in Squaw Valley in time for the opening ceremonies which are scheduled for February 18, 1960. With approximately 500 miles to be covered and each boy running one mile, it is planned to start the first runner from the Coliseum at 8:00 A.M., Monday, February 8. To avoid the possibility of an accident the boys will only run during the daylight hours. Appropriate ceremonies are planned in key cities along the route and Governor Brown will personally welcome the runners on the steps of the Capitol in Sacramento.

Each high school boy taking part in this relay will be given a monogrammed T shirt, a shoulder patch, and a pin commemorative of the event. In addition, the high school the boy represents, will be awarded a special plaque to be presented at an assembly honoring the participating athletes.

Participants will be limited to members of high school cross country teams who have been examined by a physician and are declared to be in good physical condition. As many schools as possible who are located along the route will be given an opportunity to participate in this historic event. Invitations to cross country coaches will be forthcoming in the very near future.

We are pleased that our high school athletes have been given the signal honor of carrying the Olympic Torch to Squaw Valley. They are a most deserving group and we are confident that they acquit themselves in a most outstanding manner so as to bring honor to their schools and themselves.

CIF, SS office at once. With a wealth of distance material on hand, all coaches are looking forward to a great cross country season.



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## MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE October 19, 1959

The meeting was called to order by Mr. B. L. Bergstrom, at El Monte HS at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, October 19, 1959. Those present were Messrs. B. L. Bergstrom, Supt. of Schools at El Monte; Oliver Corbin, Principal of Covina HS; Matt Korwin, Principal of San Dieguito HS; Ray Charlson, Vice Principal of Culver City HS; Robert J. Schilling, Principal of Los Altos HS; and Kenneth Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics. Mr. Art Krueger, Robert Ashton, and Jim Faul, members of the Re-leaguings Committee were also in attendance.

1. It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of September 28 be approved as published in the October 1959 Monthly Bulletin.

2. The Superintendent of the Santa Ana City Schools requested an interpretation regarding the eligibility of two students involved in an intra-district transfer as the result of the opening of the new Valley HS in Santa Ana. After a review of the case, it was moved, seconded and carried that both boys be declared eligible for athletics at Santa Ana HS.

3. The committee was informed that Colonel Beard, Commanding Officer of the Vandenberg Air Base, was organizing a football team composed of boys from the base who were enrolled at Lompoc HS, but not participating on the Lompoc team. Colonel Beard requested permission for his team to schedule games with teams representing CIF, SS schools. It was moved, seconded and carried that this request be denied because it would be in violation of existing CIF, SS rules which prohibit our schools from scheduling athletic events with non-member schools. If the boys involved wish to compete in interscholastic athletics, they may do so by competing on the Lompoc HS teams.

4. It was moved, seconded and carried to ap-

prove for one year the proposed groupings of leagues for the 1959 football playoffs, as published elsewhere in this bulletin.

5. It was moved, seconded and carried to authorize the Commissioner to have an extra table refinished and to purchase a settee for the lobby of the CIF, SS Office building.

6. An eligibility case involving a student from an Arizona high school who transferred to Needles HS was reviewed by the committee. It was moved, seconded and carried that the boy be declared eligible because a court order had been issued transferring the guardianship of the boy from his real parents to a family residing in Needles. A discussion was held concerning the advisability of permitting boys to be eligible on the basis of "Letters of Guardianship." Chairman Bergstrom directed that this item be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee and that all members investigate this matter in an effort to determine whether or not our rules should be modified in this particular instance.

7. There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:11 P.M. It was moved, seconded and carried to thank Mr. Bergstrom and El Monte HS for their courtesy in hosting this meeting of the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Kenneth Fagans,  
Secretary

## BASKETBALL RULES MEETING SCHEDULED

On Wednesday, November 18, beginning at 7:30 PM in the El Rancho High School gymnasium, the CIF, SS will conduct a basketball rules session for the benefit of all basketball coaches in our member schools who are supplied with officials from the CIF office. This meeting will be conducted by the Commissioner of Athletics, Mr. Ken Fagans, who also serves as Instructional Chairman for the Southern California Basketball Officials Association.

The purpose of this meeting is to attempt to improve official-coach relationship through a better understanding of (1) the rules of the game, (2) the proper treatment to be extended officials, and (3) the correct interpretation of the rules as they will be applied by the officials. High school players will be suited up to assist in demonstrating play situations so that coaches may gain a better understanding of how the officials are instructed to make calls pertaining to the various judgment situations.

El Rancho High School is easily accessible, being located a block north and east of the main intersection of Lakewood and Washington Blvds. A cordial invitation is extended to all high school basketball coaches in the metropolitan Los Angeles area to attend this orientation meeting. Remember that a thorough knowledge of the rules may be the difference between victory and defeat during the coming season.

## ASSIGNMENT OF FOOTBALL OFFICIALS

With the exacting task of assigning officials for the 1959 football season about completed, we thought it would be of interest to our member schools to give a brief description of the work involved in processing the thousands of assignments that must be made by the CIF, SS Office. With the tremendous increase in the number of schools in the metropolitan area of Los Angeles, the number of assignments that must be made also increases. At the present time our office is assigning football officials for 116 secondary schools.

In the 1951 December Monthly Bulletin a story appeared which presented statistics for that year relative to football assignments. It is most interesting to note the increase in the volume of assignments during the past eight years. In 1951 there were 1,570 officials appointed to work 533 football games. This year 4,213 officials were appointed to work in 902 games.

The Bulletin article also states that in 1951 on the heaviest weekend, 214 assignments were made for 73 games. A comparable weekend during the current season shows that 408 officials were assigned to 131 games. These figures also indicate that schools are increasing the number of officials used to handle individual games. A few years ago many leagues used three men on the varsity games and two men on the B and C games. The great majority now use four on varsity and three on B and C games which increases the number of officials needed.

A great deal of preparation is necessary before a single assignment can be made. We must first secure from all schools and leagues accurate schedules giving us complete information regarding each contest for posting in our master assignment book. Officials' preference lists must be mimeographed and sent to each school for whom we assign. Personnel cards must be completed for each official on which must be recorded all personal data, exam scores, ratings from the previous year, and the man's preference at the various schools. Invitation cards must then be typed and mailed to prospective officials.

Ten days prior to each contest a rating card is sent to each competing school giving them the names and positions of the men assigned. This enables the schools to prepare the checks and is a form on which the coach can rate the officials who work his games. The card is then returned to our office where it is checked and the ratings recorded for each official. The rating cards are our primary source of information relative to a man's ability to officiate football games, so we always appreciate it when the coach takes time to fully complete the card and returns it to us promptly.

The complete process of assigning officials for interscholastic events is an enormous operation which requires the full time service of two people. It is one of the important functions of the CIF, SS Office and we are constantly striving to improve our service by assigning the best people available to our athletic contests.

## OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION LIFE PASSES TO BE HONORED

In September 1955, action was taken by the Executive Committee and approved by the Council, whereby all gold life passes awarded by the Southern California Football Officials Association are to be honored by CIF, SS schools at all athletic events. It has been reported that some of these men have been denied admittance to high school games on the presentation of these passes.

We would like to call the attention of our member schools to this ruling so that gate personnel at athletic contests may be advised concerning the matter. There are relatively few of these passes in existence because the records of the association reveal that only 38 of these awards have been issued during the past 36 years. Of the ones issued, six of the recipients are deceased and a number no longer reside in southern California.

These awards are made only to officials who have served faithfully and honorably the schools in southern California over a twenty year period. In looking over the list of men who have received these passes we note the names of Seth Van Patten, Harry J. Moore, Bill Lopez, Roy E. "Pop" Squire, Larry Houston, Francis Daugherty, Bruce Kirkpatrick, Bill Dunn, and Cecil Zaun. All of these men have made outstanding contributions to interscholastic athletics in this area, in addition to the service they have rendered in an officiating capacity. It is hoped that when a Southern California Football Officials Association life pass is presented for admission to one of the athletic contests sponsored by your school, it will be honored.

## TRACK CARDS NOW AVAILABLE

One of the many services available to member schools at no cost is fulfilling requests for head judge of finish cards, and field judge cards which are used by officials in running track meets. The Head Judge of Finish card is used for all track events. One card has been designated for use in the broad jump and shot put, while a third card is used for the high jump and pole vault.

A dual track and field meet in which the full CIF list of track events, if held for Classes A, B, and C, requires 20 track event cards, 6 high jump and pole vault cards, and 6 broad jump and shot put cards. Schools wishing enough cards to take care of all their home meets for the 1959-60 school season are requested to place their order with the CIF Office as soon as possible. Simply indicate the number of home track meets your school has scheduled for the coming season, and your order will be placed on file for January delivery. These cards will be mailed directly to the head track coach at each school.

ple available to our athletic contests. Mr. Darol Roundy is the person in charge of this department and should be contacted whenever questions arise concerning athletic officials.



## 1959 CIF, SS FOOTBALL PLAYOFF GROUPINGS ANNOUNCED

The 1959, CIF, Southern Section Football playoffs will take on a new look as the Executive Committee announced the grouping of leagues for this year's revised playoff arrangement. In order to shorten the football season for those teams qualifying for playoff berths, the new qualifying finds five groupings of eight teams each, instead of three groups as in the 1958 football playoffs. This means that a team going all the way in the playoffs will only have to play a maximum of three games.

Large school leagues have been formed in two groups of eight—not one field of sixteen for the playoffs, as in prior years. The groups will be designated "Northern" and "Southern" and each will have an equal status as CIF, SS champions with identical trophies to be presented to the winning school in each division. The make-up of these groups is as follows:

### NORTHERN

BAY  
CATHOLIC  
CHANNEL  
COAST

FOOTHILL  
MOORE  
SAN GABRIEL  
\*SANTA MARIA HS

### SOUTHERN

CITRUS BELT  
METRO  
MONTVIEW  
PACIFIC

SAN DIEGO EAST  
SAN DIEGO WEST  
SIERRA  
SUNSET

The smaller schools in the Southern Section who also play a top grade brand of football have not been overlooked and playoff groupings are as follows:

### "AA"

FREEWAY  
FRONTIER  
IMPERIAL  
PAROCHIAL

PIONEER  
RIO HONDO  
SAN LUIS OBISPO  
TRI COUNTRY

### "A"

AVOCADO  
CAMINO REAL  
DE ANZA  
DESERT VALLEY

GOLDEN  
OLYMPIC  
ORANGE  
SUBURBAN

### SMALL SCHOOLS

ARROWHEAD  
DESERT INYO  
HI LO  
\*NEEDLES HS

PREPARATORY  
\*RUBIDOUX HS  
SAN LUIS MINOR  
SOUTHERN

TRI VALLEY

\* Free lance, must qualify

Relative strength of leagues, size, and geographical location have all been taken into consideration by the committee in establishing the

alignment of leagues for football playoff purposes. It is realized that there may appear to be some inequities but no system of seeding could accurately anticipate relative competitive football strength in leagues of member schools of the CIF, SS.

The committee is of the opinion that the shorter playoff season will more than compensate for any minor problems that may arise. With the number of schools in the Southern Section, five champions is not too many. At the conclusion of this year's playoffs, an evaluation will be made in an effort to make the 1960 football playoffs the finest possible.

## CORRECTIONS IN DIRECTORY

We have just been advised of certain changes in phone numbers and addresses since the publishing of the latest edition of our MEMBER SCHOOL DIRECTORY:

Fullerton HS's phone number should be LA 5-2331.

Millikan HS's phone number should be HA 5-7441.

The address of Lutheran HS should be 2941 W. 70th St., LA 43.

Please correct your copy so your directory will be up to date.

## APPROVED SANCTIONED EVENTS

The following is a supplemental list of approved sanctioned events since publishing the DIRECTORY:

### BASEBALL

Apr. 12, 13, and 14—1st Annual Santa Monica Baseball Tournament

### BASKETBALL

Dec. 19, 21, 22, 23—1st Annual Los Altos Invitational "B" Basketball Tourney

### CROSS COUNTRY

Nov. 13—Orange Coast-Westminster First Annual Cross Country Invitational @ Orange Coast College

### TRACK

Mar. 15, 22, and 29—Claremont Relays at Claremont Men's College

April 2—Burroughs Invitational Relays (China Lake)

### WRESTLING

Jan. 23—San Luis Obispo HS Wrestling Tournament @ Cal Poly