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**VAUGHN CUMMINGS OF PASADENA
CITY SCHOOLS, NEW COUNCIL
PRESIDENT**

The efficient and popular representative from the Pasadena Junior High School League, Mr. Vaughn Cummings, is looking forward to serving the 290 member schools of the CIF Southern Section as its Council President for the 1958-59 school year. Currently employed as Supervisor of Health and Physical Education for the Pasadena Schools, Mr. Cummings brings a wealth of background as an athlete, coach, school teacher and administrator to his new position.

Although Mr. Cummings was born in Chester, Pennsylvania, his family moved westward in 1913 and settled in Pasadena where young Vaughn enrolled in the Madison Elementary School of that city. After graduating from Pasadena High School, where he was a member of the State Championship Tennis Team, Cummings entered Redlands University where he received his BA degree after four years of study. During his stay at Redlands, Vaughn Cummings established an outstanding record in athletics by participating in football, track, baseball, and tennis. He was particularly outstanding in tennis and had the unique distinction of being elected by his teammates to serve as captain of the team during his entire three years of competition.

Like most school men, Cummings has returned frequently to institutions of higher learning to pursue advanced courses. He attended UCLA

in 1926, taking mostly education courses, and then transferred to USC where he received his MA in education.

Besides teaching and coaching, Vaughn has engaged wholeheartedly in recreation work in the Pasadena area. For many years he conducted the Municipal Sports Program which included basketball and softball leagues in addition to tournaments in tennis, badminton, and other individual sports.

Over the years Vaughn Cummings has had the privilege of giving many young men, who have later gained national recognition, a start on their athletic careers. He was particularly thrilled recently when he attended the National Federation Convention at Santa Barbara and had the pleasure of listening to an address by Payton Jordan, one of his former boys. Payton, who is the outstanding track and field coach at Stanford University, took time out from his talk to reminisce and related to the group how Mr. Cummings had been his first track and football coach in junior high school.

Happily married for many years, the Cummings have successfully raised a large family consisting of four boys and one girl. All of the boys have participated extensively in athletics during their high school and college days and have compiled outstanding records. The youngest son, Robert, is now a senior in Muir High School in Pasadena.

The CIF Southern Section is indeed fortunate in having another outstanding educational leader such as Vaughn Cummings assume the position of President of the Council.

MEMBERSHIP DUES TO SOUTHERN SECTION

A recent change in our financial policy (Article XXVII, page 51, of the Blue Book) now provides that the annual dues shall be based upon a school's enrollment as shown in the Principal's October 31st Report for the current year. Private schools should base their assessment on the number of pupils enrolled in school on October 31, 1958. For many years the annual dues have been set by the Executive Committee at 4¢ per pupil enrolled. This rate will prevail for the current year. All-boys schools

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are reminded that they shall double their enrollment for the purpose of computing their annual dues.

Schools belonging to the CIF Protection fund must pay administrative dues to the State CIF Office in Berkeley. This is distinct and separate to dues paid to the Southern Section and many times causes much confusion. It will facilitate matters if member schools of the Southern Section do not submit dues to our office until they have been properly billed. We will bill all schools around the first of November for current dues. Annual dues not paid to the CIF, SS office by December 1, shall be termed delinquent.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING — JUNE 24, 1958

The Annual June meeting of the CIF SS Executive Committee was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. B. L. Bergstrom, at Santa Barbara on Tuesday, June 24, 1958, at 8:30 A.M. Those present were Messrs. Oliver Corbin, Principal, Covina HS; Rev. Lawrence Caruso, Athletic Director, St. Francis HS; Mr. Ben F. Jamison, Principal, Centennial HS; Mr. Frank O. Hopkins, Principal, Brea-Olinda HS; Mr. Winston Nelson, Principal, Ganesha HS; Mr. Matt Korwin, Principal, San Dieguito HS; Mr. George Phelps, Jr., Principal, Arroyo HS; Mr. John Taylor, Principal, Nordhoff HS; and Kenneth Fagans, Commissioner of Athletics.

1. It was moved, seconded and carried to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. B. L. Bergstrom as Chairman of the Executive Committee for the 1958-59 school year.

2. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Minutes of the meeting of the Water Polo Coaches, as published in the June Monthly Bulletin, be recommended to the Council for acceptance.

3. It was moved, seconded and carried that the football pairings for the Southern Section "AAA" football playoffs for the 1958 season be established as printed elsewhere in this Bulletin.

4. It was moved, seconded and carried to send Mr. Fagans, with expenses paid, as the the CIF, SS representative to the National Federation Football Rules Meeting in January, 1959, and the National Federation Annual Convention in June, 1959. Funds are included in the coming year's budget.

5. It was moved, seconded and carried that Mr. Fagans should be authorized to represent the Southern Section at the California State Workshop, to be held in San Luis Obispo in August, 1958.

6. It was moved, seconded and carried to send Mr. Oliver Corbin to the National Federation Convention in June 1959, with expenses paid, as the representative of the SS Executive Committee.

7. Mr. Nelson, our Representative on the State Federated Council, reported that at the May meeting, action had been taken to officially add the High School Discus as a regular event to the California State HS Track and Field meet. A discussion was held as to the feasibility of adding the event to the Southern Section program. It was moved, seconded and carried that the HS discus event be established as a regular part of the Southern Section Track and Field Program, with the Commissioner directed to present the matter to the Southern Section Track Committee, to work out the details connected with the handling of this new event.

8. The Commissioner reported that the recent survey sent to all principals indicated by a large majority, that the member schools of the Southern Section desired the CIF, SS to establish one opening date for the starting of football practice in future years. The matter was discussed and it was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the Council that the By-laws be changed to provide that football practice in the Southern Section may begin on the first Monday in September. The first Monday in September, 1959, would be September 7, 1959.

9. A communication from San Gabriel HS was read which suggested a change in the present policy of the CIF, SS in awarding individual medals only to boys who place in playoff competition in sports for which an entry fee is required. It was pointed out that the individual members of teams winning a CIF championship received no award from the Southern Section and that it was necessary for the schools to purchase these awards. The matter was discussed and it was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the council that the CIF, Southern Section provide individual awards for members of the championship and runner-up teams in sectional playoffs. The details of this plan to be worked out by the Awards Rule committee, which consist of Mr. Robert Schilling, Chairman, Mr. Oliver Corbin, Mr. Winston Nelson, and Mr. Kenny Fagans.

10. The Committee considered a request to endorse a proposed football clinic for HS football Coaches, to be held at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, February 12, 13, 14, 1959. It was the opinion of the group that although they would like to encourage the establishment of clinics that would provide instruction in coaching, they had never previously endorsed commercial clinics, and could not possibly endorse this specific clinic as the dates of February 12 and 13 would in many cases necessitate the releasing of school personnel from their regularly scheduled duties at their respective schools.

11. Mr. Nelson, Treasurer of the CIF, SS presented a Financial report showing the income and expenditures of the CIF, SS for the 1957-58 school year, as compared with the estimated budget for 1957-58; and proposed budget for the fiscal year, July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959. It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the Financial Report, and adopt the proposed budget for 1958-59.

12. It was moved, seconded and carried that the housing committee be authorized to employ a competent architect to draw plans for the new SS office building and to supervise construction of same.

13. The question of the Southern Section incorporating as a non-profit organization was brought up for discussion. It was pointed out that such an action would provide certain benefits and would eliminate other dangers in our present organizational set-up. It was moved, seconded and carried that the matter should be studied with an aim towards drawing up specific recommendations to present to the Council for consideration at the December meeting.

14. The Commissioner informed the Committee that, as authorized by the Council, a down payment of 10% of the asking price had been made towards the purchase of a lot on the N.W. corner of Washington Blvd. and Comona Street, in Los Angeles, and that it was now in escrow. We have been advised by the Title Company that in order to establish clear title to this property it will be necessary for us to amend our By-laws to provide for the acquisition of real property. It was moved, seconded and carried to recommend to the Council the following addition to Article XXVII, Section 3, of the By-laws of the Southern Section:

"The California Interscholastic Federation shall have the right to acquire and hold title to real property as it deems necessary, to carry on the program of the CIF, Southern

ern Section, when approved by a majority vote of the Council. The President of the Council and the Commissioner of Athletics shall be empowered to sign such documents as may be required in the acquisition of such property."

So that the SS may complete the purchase of this property at the earliest possible moment, the Commissioner was directed to contact each member of the SS Council by mail, inform them of the situation, and ask them to submit their vote in writing to the Southern Section office relative to this proposed change in our By-laws.

15. It was moved, seconded and carried that the first regular meeting of the Executive Committee, for the 1958-59 school year, be held in the San Diego area, on Monday, September 29, 1958. Mr. Matt Korwin, San Diego County representative was authorized to make the necessary arrangements for the meeting.

16. Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Fagans,
Commissioner of Athletics.

SOUTHERN SECTION PLAY-OFF GROUPINGS REORGANIZED

Beginning with the football playoffs in November, the 1958-59, C.I.F., Southern Section play-offs in football, basketball and baseball will take on a "new look" as a result of recent action taken by the Southern Section Council. Formerly, all play-off designations have included Northern, Southern, Central and Small School Group of Leagues play-offs. This has now been changed, and in the future all leagues will be divided into play-off groupings to be known as "AAA", "AA", and "A".

The "AAA" play-offs will include the fifteen large school leagues that formerly competed in the Central Group of Leagues playoffs. The former Northern and Southern Group of Leagues playoffs have been combined into the "AA" play-offs and will include representatives from thirteen leagues of medium-sized schools. The "A" play-offs will replace the small schools play-offs and will consist of representatives from leagues composed of the smaller schools in the Southern Section.

In track, swimming, water-polo, wrestling, gymnastics, and golf, the team play-offs will be conducted as in the past with all schools, regardless of size, entering open competition to determine one team champion from the entire Southern Section. In tennis, a large and small school team champion will be determined with "AAA"

schools entering the large school play-offs, and "AA" and "A" schools entering the small school play-offs. In cross country, all schools with an enrollment of 1500 or more will enter the large school competition, and schools with an enrollment under 1500 will be placed in the small school division.

With the tremendous growth in the number of schools and leagues in the Southern Section, it is believed that this revision of our play-offs will better serve the interests of our member schools.

NEW BLUE BOOK DISTRIBUTED TO SCHOOLS

In line with our new policy of keeping our Blue Book (C.I.F., Southern Section Constitution and Rulings) up to date, the revised 1958-59 edition came off the press late in August. Four copies of this revised edition were mailed to each of our member schools early in September so that school personnel would have available in one booklet, the latest rulings of the Southern Section. If there is need for additional copies, the CIF Office will be pleased to fill requests as received.

The 1958-59 edition, like each edition before it, is the product of the best thinking on the part of the many hundreds of men employed on the staffs of our high schools. Over a per-

iod of 44 years, rules and policies have developed to control and guide our athletic programs so that they will be looked upon with favor not only by the boards of education in our cities but also by the general public. Our rules have grown through a democratic process, for these regulations have been proposed and voted upon by the representatives of the various leagues throughout the years. While voting is limited to official League Representatives, any Physical Education Teacher, Coach or school administrator may attend our meetings and address the group.

The latest Blue Book has been printed in the same form and size as the 1957-58 edition but the color of the cover has been changed from dark to light blue. This has been done so that persons using the book may find it easier to distinguish between the old and new editions. Administrators are urged to advise members of their staff to destroy all old copies of the Blue Book so there will be less chance of anyone securing the wrong interpretation of a rule.

In addition to the Constitution and Approved Rulings, the Blue Book contains Southern Section records in swimming and track, Team Champions in football, basketball and track, the Playoff Calendar for the coming school year, grouping of leagues for playoffs, and a handy calendar for the 1958-59 school year. It is hoped that all persons connected with our fine interscholastic athletic program will keep the new edition of the Blue Book available for reference at all times.

Pairings and Bracket For "AAA" Football Playoff - - 1958

Week of Nov. 28	Week of Dec. 5	Week of Dec. 12	Week of Dec. 19	
Citrus Belt League		-----		CHAMPION
Montview League		-----		
Pacific League		-----		
San Gabriel League		-----		
H. J. Moore League		-----		
Pioneer League		-----		
Sierra League		-----		
San Diego City League		-----		
Sunset League		-----		
Metropolitan League		-----		
"AA" Entry		-----		
Channel League		-----		
Catholic League		-----		
Foothill League		-----		
Bay League		-----		
Coast League		-----		

This year's "AAA" football playoffs will include champions from 15 large school leagues plus the winner of the "AA" competition with the largest enrollment, to round out a bracket of sixteen entries. By action of the Southern

Section Council, all playoff football games are to be played on Friday night of the week scheduled, unless it is mutually agreed by both competing schools to play at some other time.