

Post SCVAL XC Season Evaluation Meeting - 11/14/17

The meeting started at the FUHSD office at 589 W. Fremont Ave in Sunnyvale. It started at 5:00PM and ended shortly before 6PM

1. Attendees:

The following attended the meeting:

Brad Metheany-League Commissioner	Bridget Hall-Milpitas	Luke Sigmon-Fremont
Nick Bonacorsi-AD Liaison	Julie L'Heureux-Santa Clara	Walt Van Zant-Wilcox
Paul Armstrong-Cupertino	Kenrick Sealy-Homestead	Jake White-Lynbrook
Craig Blockhus-Mt.View		

2. League Meet Team Winners:

Congratulations to Homestead, who won the DAL team championships for all four of the divisions of the DAL, Los Altos, who won the El Camino VB and FSB championships, and Palo Alto, who won the El Camino VG and JVG championships.

3. CCS Finals

Congratulations to the Los Altos, Homestead, Palo Alto, Cupertino, and Monta Vista boys, who finished 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 10th in division 1, the Homestead, Palo Alto, Monta Vista, Los Gatos, Cupertino, Santa Clara, Los Altos, and Milpitas girls, who finished 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 12th, 18th and 20th in division 1, the Lynbrook, Gunn and Wilcox boys, who finished 5th 6th, and 11th in division 2, the Lynbrook, Gunn, and Mt. View girls, who finished 4th, 5th, and 6th in division 2, the Saratoga boys who finished 6th in division 3 and the Saratoga girls, who finished 9th in division 3.

Congratulations individually to Owen Mackenzie, Henry Saul, Sam Craig, and Adam Sage who finished 2nd, 3rd, 5th, and 7th in the division 1 boys race, Daniel Frees, who finished 10th in the division 2 boys race, and Amit Nag, who finished 4th in the division 3 boys race, Naomi Donovan, Rebecca Hasser, Kaitlyn Williams, Elena Kamas, and Viveca Pannell, who finished 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th, and 6th in the division 1 girls' race, Serena Myjer, Joyce Shea, and Shannon Gould, who finished 1st, 3rd, and 10th in the division 2 girls race.

One boy and one girl teams qualified for the State Meet and four boys and four girls qualified as individuals for the State Meet.

4. Comments Regarding the League Finals

All at our meeting felt that the meet was well run.

Coach White of Lynbrook felt that he had too many jobs in order to do an adequate job for each (street management, starter, backup timer). He would like to have his duties reduced for next year. All others in attendance at the meeting were willing to do the same duties for next year. Coach L'Heureux of Santa Clara proposed that in future years that we make our varsity race schedule the same as at the CCS meet each year - that is, the girls would run first in alternating years. This proposal was unanimously approved.

The schedule for next year, including the switch of the EC starting first in all races and the boys starting first in even years, is as follows --

1:15PM	Coaches meeting		
1:45PM	FSB race for EC	2:00PM	JVG race for DAL
2:30PM	JVG race for EC	2:45PM	FSB race for DAL
3:15PM	VB race for EC	3:30PM	VG race for DAL
4:00PM	VG race for EC	4:15PM	VB race for DAL

Our league final next year will be run on 10/30/18.

It was proposed and approved that we will alternate through all 14 schools that will be responsible for collecting gate entry fees. The two schools responsible for collecting the admission fees for the next 7 years will be -

2018	Milpitas	Lynbrook
2019	Santa Clara	Los Gatos
2020	Wilcox	Homestead
2021	Palo Alto	Cupertino
2022	Gunn	Saratoga
2023	Mt. View	Monta Vista
2024	Los Altos	Fremont

It was proposed and approved that the bylaws be amended so that when Monta Vista decides to no longer be the meet director for the league finals that the meet directors will be as shown below -

Los Altos	Fremont
Milpitas	Lynbrook
Santa Clara	Los Gatos
Wilcox	Homestead
Palo Alto	Cupertino
Gunn	Saratoga
Mt.View	Monta Vista

5. Three Required SCVAL Cross Country Meets

Meet #1 - Central Park Meet

The date of this meet has not yet been set until Coach L'Heureux of Santa Clara learns the dates of the Central Park Wine Festival and whether we can get a course approved for our use.

During past years, we have crossed the driveway into the park from Kiely during each of the races. The park director will no longer allow us to do this as this disrupts auto traffic into the park by too much. The park director has received numerous complaints from parents turning into the park.

We have two possible remedies - setting up a new course that does not prevent cars from driving into the park and that does not involve runners passing each other in opposite directions within a few feet of each other.

Coach L'Heureux will get together with a couple of coaches and determine whether she can set up a new course that meets the park's and our requirements.

We discussed whether we could find another site that could meet our requirements. One person suggested that we check with the BVAL league because he heard that someone had donated land near the BVAL schools of which a portion would be developed as a cross country course. Subsequent to our meeting, coach Armstrong checked with a long-time coach from Santa Teresa about a possibility of our running on the new course. The BVAL coach said that he had heard of no such new-course possibilities.

If anyone reading these minutes has an idea of a possible course that we can use for our first meet, please let Paul Armstrong or myself know.

Meet #2 - Crystal Springs Meet - 10/2/18

Coach Flatow has agreed to direct this meet in the same manner that he did last year. We asked Kirk to request more portable bathrooms for this meet.

Meet #3 - Baylands Park Meet - 10/16/18

Coach Van Zant has agreed to direct this meet in the same manner that he did last year.

CCS Meet - Portable Bathrooms

All agreed that the CCS finals were a well-run meet with the exception of the number of portable bathrooms provided. There were not nearly enough.

2018 XC Meetings

We agreed to hold our 2018 pre-season meeting at Monta Vista high school at 5:30PM on 8/16/17 and our post-season meeting at the SCVAL Commissioner's office adjacent to Fremont high school on the Thursday after the CCS meet - 11/15/18.