



CAHA Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors' Minutes

Date: June 19, 2010

Location: Holiday Inn, Ontario Airport, CA

Time: 10:00 A.M.

CAHA DIRECTORS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present	Absent	DIRECTOR	Present	Absent	DIRECTOR
X		Steve Laing, President	X		Jon Gustafson
X		Ed Tar, 1 st V.P.	X		John Hamer
X		Therese Phillips, 2 nd V.P.	X		Bridget Hopkinson
	X	David Cohen, 3 rd V.P.	X		Rick Hutchinson
X		Kathy McGarrigle, 4 th V.P.	X		Laura Ryan
X		Bob Driffill, Treasurer	X		John Thompson
X		Rosemary Voulelikas, Secretary	X		Ron White
X		Sandy Blumberg			
X		Jim Burcar			
X		Lance Burrow		X	Annie Fisher
X		Chris Carcerano	X		Mark Mauro
X		Kevin Culbertson	X		Jill Miller
X		Michael Donahue			
X		Robert Doherty			
X		Wendy Goldstein			
		<u>USAH DIRECTORS</u>			
	X	Dick Combs, District Director			
X		Charlie Fuertsch, District Director			
	X	Turi Daniels, District Associate Registrar			
	X	Donna Kaufman, District Director			

- Steve Laing called the meeting to order at 10:42 A.M.

Steve Laing informed the board that there was an error in the election results involving Todd Llewellyn and Therese Phillips. Charlie Fuertsch explained that when they inputted the ballots into the spreadsheet there were a few that went on to the next page and they placed the ballots in the wrong columns. The votes for Therese Phillips were placed in the column for Todd Llewellyn. Therese Phillips will retain her CAHA Director position. Steve Laing informed the board that is they would like to review the results they may do so any time during the lunch break.

Election of Officers

1st VP: Dispute Resolutions & Penalty Review Chair

Ed Tar nominated by Jon Gustafson. Ed Tar elected.

2nd VP: Youth Council Chair

Therese Phillips nominated by Rosemary Voulelikas. Therese Phillips elected.

3rd VP: Adult Committee Chair

Tyler Shaffar nominated by Jon Gustafson. Tyler Shaffar elected.

4th VP: Girls & Women's Committee Chair

Bridget Hopkinson nominated by Rosemary Voulelikas. Jon Gustafson nominated Kathy McGarrigle.

Secretary

Rosemary Voulelikas nominated by Therese Phillips. Rosemary Voulelikas elected.

Treasurer

Bob Driffill nominated by Laura Ryan. Bob Driffill elected.

2010-2011 Budget Proposal

Bob Driffill reported on the proposed budget. The last page of the financials distributed has the proposed budget. There are two years of actuals for comparison. Bob Driffill is suggesting that we do not collect the CAHA deposits from the teams as it skews the financials. For example there is money that gets deposited in September for the entire Tier I and Tier II teams and then in February there is about \$25,000 that gets refunded back to the teams that are not advancing to the state playoffs. Ed Tar asked about the income line for the CAHA Select camps and questioned how the girls' income collected can be more than the boys collected. Bob Driffill stated that that may be correct but what he was given was the way he inputted it and it probably was designated to the wrong camp. Ed Tar asked about the District Assessments showing a 20% decrease. Charlie Fuertsch answered that the money does not come to CAHA until the money is spent. In 2008-2009 the money that was spent was money from the prior year's Block Grant. Bob Driffill asked if the Block Grant money for this year was \$16,000. Steve Laing answered that he believes it is \$17,600. Ed Tar asked if the Adult tournament lost \$17,000. Jon Gustafson stated that the balance was subsidized by CAHA through the Block Grant money. Currently, \$6,600 is being allocated to the Adult Tournament from the Block Grant money.

Charlie Fuertsch stated that the 2010-2011 Block Grant money allocation for CAHA is \$13,871. Last year there was money that was not spent from prior years. The new numbers indicate that the total allocation for CAHA was \$19,816 of which 30% went to fund District programs and 70% went to CAHA programs. The District assessment is \$1 per paid player and the Block Grant is \$1 per paid player refunded by USA Hockey.

Rosemary Voulelikas asked if the income stated for the Tier II weekends is correct. Did we make money? Bob Driffill stated that there are still invoices outstanding and that amount will come down. Ed Tar asked about the expense side of Marketing/Publications if the amount of \$6,000 is correct? Steve Laing stated that we should put money aside for publications for congratulating our teams as well as making banners for our major events welcoming the teams to the state tournaments.

Ed Tar asked about why the legal fees went up to \$25,000. Steve Laing answered that this is money put aside for the USA Hockey certified audit requirement should USA Hockey mandate it for this year. Michael Donahue asked if we can designate it as a reserve audit contingency. Charlie Fuertsch stated that we are on a cash basis accounting method so that it would not be accumulated.

Kevin Culbertson asked about the bank fees. Bob Driffill stated that the bank fees on the expense side includes for NSF returned check payment amounts. The Tier I and Tier II income/expense totals appear to be quite a drop from previous years. Bob Driffill stated that these are not drops in expenses but rather monies refunded back to the teams not advancing. Mike Donahue stated that not collecting the fees up front is not an option but rather a policy of collecting and the rule would have to be changed in order not to collect up front. Kevin Culbertson asked about the expense of the awards. Bob Driffill stated that this year we paid the awards for 3 years. Steve Laing added that we will be recovering the cost for the awards for the next two years.

2010-2011 Budget Proposal (cont'd)

Kevin Culbertson moved and Rosemary Voulelikas seconded to accept the proposed 2010-2011 budget with the proposed changes to the following line items in the 2010-2011 proposed budget.

Income

- CAHA Select Camp – Female \$8,000
- Tier II CAHA State Playoffs \$50,000
- Tier I CAHA State Playoffs \$42,500
- Block Grant & Other Funding \$13,871

Expense

- CAHA Select Camp – Female \$8,000
- Tier II CAHA State Playoffs \$49,000
- Tier I CAHA State Playoffs \$41,500
- Audit Contingency Fees \$23,000
- Legal Fees \$2,000
- Block Grant & Other Funding \$13,871

Jon Gustafson moved and Kevin Culbertson seconded to subsidize the Adult teams attending the Adult State Tournament \$400 per each team up to and not exceeding 40 teams. Jon Gustafson amended his motion to change the expense line for the Adult Tournament to read \$10,000.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Kevin Culbertson moved to approve the proposed budget as amended above.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Steve Laing informed the board that the vote for the 4th V.P. Girls & Women's' Committee Chair was tied. The board will break for lunch and will revote upon its return.

Guest

Glen Trefy with the Ontario Reign spoke to the board about sports for the disabled community. Currently there is only disabled sled team in Sacramento. Glen Trefy stated that he is a wheel chair specialist and deals with the disabled community on an everyday basis. He is volunteering to head up a disabled sled hockey association. Charlie Fuertsch will be assisting in forming the 501C Corporation. He has a coaching staff in place, a volunteer base in place and he has a rink dedicating an ice slot every Sunday at 7:15 pm. He is going to start at the Ontario Ice Center with an in-house program. He hopes to bring this to all of the rinks, one rink at a time. Currently, he has 12 sleds available but he needs to raise money to purchase additional sleds, get donated used equipment and sticks. A sled and sticks costs about \$700. The gear would cost about \$300-\$400 brand new.

Steve Laing informed the board that he will defer selection of the Executive committee to another time.

Executive Committees

- **Youth Council Committee:** Please let Therese Phillips know if you are interested.
- **Adult Committee:** Please let Tyler Shaffar and Steve Laing know today if you are interested in serving on the Adult committee as well as helping with the Adult tournament.
- **Disputes and Resolutions Committee:** Please contact Ed Tar if you are interested in serving on the committee.
- **Tournament Committee:** Sandy Blumberg will continue to chair the committee. Please let Sandy Blumberg know if you are interested.

Executive Committees (cont'd)

- **High School Committee:** Steve Laing stated that he is looking for a High School Commissioner. The requirements are that each team play 10 games and each player play 5 games by med February. It is Steve Laing's hope that the information gets out there to the North and to the South so that teams can get the requirements in. He hopes to have a playdown tournament between the North and the South. If you are interested please contact Steve Laing.

Therese Phillips asked if the High School Commissioner would then sit on Youth Council. Steve Laing answered that they would.

Standing Committees

- **Finance Committee:** Mark Mauro agreed to continue as Finance Committee Chair. Please contact Mark Mauro if you are interested.
- **Screening and Abuse:** Wendy Goldstein is willing to continue as chair of the screening and abuse.
- **Director of Member Services:** Mike Donahue and Jill Miller were both nominated. Mike Donahue elected.
- **Ethics Committee:** John Hamer agreed to continue as Ethics Committee Chair. Please contact John Hamer if you are interested in serving on the committee.

Appointments

- **Web Master:** Kevin Culbertson has agreed to continue as Web Master. Kevin Culbertson moved to have CAHA change its current web site and to operate its own web site that would be integrated with USA Hockey. Bob Doherty seconded it. Steve Laing stated that the cost of operating our own web site would be \$1,000 for start-up and then there would be a nominal yearly fee to maintain it. Chris Carcerano would design it and Kevin Culbertson would operate it. Chris Carcerano suggested we form a small committee and details and information will be presented at the September meeting for review by the board.
(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)
- **Legal Counsel:** Lance Burrows agreed to continue as Legal Counsel. Charlie Fuertsch has agreed to be a back-up if needed.
- **Director-of-Officials:** Mark Mauro has agreed to continue as Director-of-Officials.
- **Tier I Commissioner:** Therese Phillips appoints Laura Ryan as the Tier I Commissioner.
- **Tier II Commissioner:** Therese Phillips appoints Nancy Hodge as the Tier II Commissioner. Steve Laing asked if there are any comments or suggestions.
- **High School Commissioner:** Steve Laing appoints John Hamer as the High School Commissioner.
- **Coach-in-Chief:** Chris Carcerano agreed to continue as the CAHA Coach-in-Chief.

Approval of Minutes

There is an error in the spelling of Wendy Goldstein's name on page 2 and Laura Ryan's name on page 3. Lance Burrow motioned to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2010 meeting as amended.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

4th VP: Girls/Women's Committee Chair (cont'd)

Steve Laing asked the board to vote a second time on the position for the 4th V.P. Girls/Women's Committee Chair. Bridget Hopkinson elected. Please contact Bridget Hopkinson if you are interested in serving on the committee.

Appointments (cont'd)

Kathy McGarrigle and Chris Carcerano nominated for Girls'/Women's Commissioner. Chris Carcerano withdrew his name. Kathy McGarrigle was appointed Girls/Women's Commissioner.

2010-2011 Calendar

Steve Laing distributed a handout with the National dates for all of the National tournaments for Youth Tier I and Tier II and Girls/Women. The District Tier Championships is the week of March 3-6, 2011.

Tier I 12/14U	San Jose
Tier 16/18U	Anchorage, Alaska
Girls' Tier I & Tier II	Anaheim, CA

All Women's A, B, C and 30+ is the week of February 25-27, 2011 in San Diego, CA at SDIA rink.

Youth Council

Therese Phillips stated that Youth Counsel is recommending the board approves the following Tier II mandated weekend of play dates and venues:

- **Tier II 18U**

Oct. 22-24	Simi Valley
Nov. 12-14	San Jose
Jan. 14-16	El Segundo
Feb. 4-6	Valencia
Play down Feb. 25-27	Valencia

- **Tier II 16U**

Oct. 22-24	San Diego
Nov. 12-14	Valencia
Jan. 14-16	Simi Valley
Feb. 4-6	San Jose
Play down Feb. 25-27	El Segundo

- **Tier II 14U**

Oct. 22-24	Valencia
Dec. 3-5	Riverside
Jan. 14-16	Vacaville
Feb. 4-6	Lakewood / Valley Ice
Play down Feb. 25-27	Simi Valley

- **Tier II 12U**

Oct. 22-24	Riverside
Nov. 12-14	Vacaville
Jan. 14-16	Valencia
Jan. 28-30	Riverside / San Diego
Play down Feb. 25-27	Valley Ice

The CAHA State Tournament dates are:

- Pee Wee Tier I Feb. 4-6
- BN, MD 16 & 18 Tier I Feb. 11-13
- PW, BN MD16 & 18 Tier II March 10-12
- A/B States April 7-9

Laura Ryan motioned to accept the Tier II CAHA Mandated Weekend dates and venues as proposed

Youth Council (cont'd)

by Youth Council as well as the dates for the CAHA state tournaments. Kevin Culbertson asked if there was any concern with the dates conflicting with Silver Sticks? The CAHA teams that participate in the Silver Sticks are not able to participate in the Silver Stick Championships because of the CAHA mandated weekends.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Youth Council reviewed a request for dual rostering from Candace Lu on the Heat MD AA16U and the Lady Ducks AA. Youth Council is recommending approving the request. Bob Driffill moved to ratify Youth Council's recommendation.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Rule Change Proposals

Section 1.0 through to Section 3.0

Therese Phillips distributed via email to all of the board members the proposed rule changes. She informed the board that these changes are mostly housekeeping changes; updating dates and contact information. Kevin Culbertson moved to approve the proposed changes in Sections 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0 as presented.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Section 7.0 General Information

Article 7.1 Overview: To read as follows: The Youth Council is responsible for the rules that define and regulate the various levels of "boys and girls" youth hockey in the State of California. CAHA Youth rules are.....

Article 7.2 Financial Responsibility: To read as follows: *"The Leagues shall supply a master list of all league players with outstanding financial obligations and/or equipment obligations to the CAHA Director of member Services prior to May 1st."* Players whose names appear on this list will not be permitted to participate with any Club until their obligations are satisfied. A player with an outstanding obligation during the relevant season

Article 7.3 Screening: To read as follows: Prior to participation in any CAHA/USA Hockey sanctioned event, all adult coaches, officials, managers, "locker room attendants" and other individuals who have routine...CAHA's screening and abuse policy.

a. *"CAHA mandates that its leagues have rules in place to sanction any individual (s) and club (s) who violate this rule."*

b. Participation is only allowed when the participant's name appears on CAHA's Compliance List. Furthermore, it is USA Hockey's policy that it will not authorize or sanction in any of its programs any coach, manager or other individual who has routine access to children who refuses to consent to be screened.

c. *"Non-league affiliated CAHA member associations shall be monitored by CAHA member services and violations shall be submitted to the CAHA 1st V. P. for sanctions."*

Article 7.8 Score sheets:

- a. All coaches on the bench must sign the game score sheet prior to the start of the game.
- b. The head coach is responsible for the accuracy of the score sheet. Inaccurate or unsigned score sheets may result in suspension, fines, and/or forfeitures.
- c. Players not in attendance or not able to participate in any game shall be crossed off from the list of players on all copies of the game score sheet.

Article 7.11 Tryout Dates: Housekeeping change only to update the season.

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Rule Change Proposals (cont'd)

Section 7.0 General Information (cont'd)

Article 7.13 Ineligible Players: To read as follows: *“Any team that allows an ineligible player to participate in a game may forfeit the game following a hearing. A forfeited game shall be recorded as a 1-0 win for the opposing team.”*

- a. Following a hearing, any coach who is found to have knowingly played an ineligible player shall be suspended from coaching.

Article 7.20 Locker Room Attendants: Youth Council left a provision for locker room attendants.

Once USA Hockey releases the verbiage CAHA will adopt it here.

Laura Ryan moved to approve the proposed Youth Council rule changes to Section 7.0.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Section 10.0 Tier I (AAA) Classification

Article 10.5 300% Rule: The proposed changes start with item b. to read as follows:

- b. *“Only games that satisfy the CAHA game requirements as stated in this rule shall count towards satisfying rule 10.5a. Tier I games shall follow the following game play format:*
 - *For all Pee Wee Tier I games: Three-(3) 15-minute stop time periods.*
 - *For all Bantam Tier I games: Three-(3) 16-minute stop time periods.*
 - *For all Midget Tier I games: Three-(3) 17-minute stop time periods with an ice cut any time after the first period and before the end of the third period.*
- c. *All Tier I games will use a three-(3) man officiating system. Points for each CAHA sanctioned game will be awarded as follows: two points for a win, one point for a tie and zero points for a loss.*
- d. *Once a schedule has been approved, no change may be made to that schedule without the approval of the CAHA Youth Council.*
- e. *Any team refusing to play in any CAHA mandated game shall lose its post season eligibility.*

Youth Council decided to revamp the player movement and to make sure that all of the Youth sections; Tier I, Tier II and A and B had the same verbiage throughout.

Article 10.9 Player Movement: To read as follows: *“Until December 31st, Tier I players may be added to another Tier I team provided they are properly released and be post season eligible for CAHA State championships.*

- a. *Until October 31, any properly released Tier I player may drop to Tier II, A or B levels and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships.*
- b. *After October 31, any properly released Tier I player may drop to Tier II, A or B levels but will be post season ineligible for CAHA state championships.*
- c. *Until December 31, a properly released Tier II, A or B player may be added to a Tier I roster and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships.*
- d. *After December 31, Tier I rosters are frozen and no players may be added (or deleted).”*

Article 10.10 Game Misconducts: To read as follows: *“Any player or coach upon receiving a 3rd game misconduct in the current playing season will be referred to the CAHA 1st V. P. for possible supplemental discipline. Any team or player displaying a pattern of excessive penalty minutes may be referred to the CAHA 1st V. P. for possible supplemental discipline.”*

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Rule Change Proposals (cont'd)

Section 10.0 tabled until after section 11.0 presented.

Section 11.0 Tier II (AA) Classification

Article 11.7 CAHA Scheduled Weekends: To read as follows: CAHA will dictate mandatory playing weekends for all *“playoff eligible”* Tier II teams in each division. Subject to ice....between teams in each division. CAHA may schedule.....to ensure an accurate sampling of games.

- a. *“Any team refusing to play in any CAHA mandated game shall lose its post season eligibility.”*

NEW Article 11.8 Minimum Number of Games: To read as follows: *“In addition to all other requirements contained in these rules, USA Hockey requires that a Tier II team must play a minimum of twenty (20) games. Each rostered Tier II player must play a minimum of ten (10) games.”*

The current 11.8 and ensuing articles will be renumbered accordingly.

Article 11.11 now 11.12 Player Movement: To read as follows: *“No lateral movement of Tier II players (including movement between teams within one Member Association) is allowed.*

- a. *Until October 31, any properly released Tier I player may be added to a Tier II roster and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships.*
b. *Until October 31, any properly released Tier II player may drop to A or B levels and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships.*
c. *After October 31, any properly released Tier II player may drop to A or B levels but will not be post season eligible for CAHA state championships.*
d. *After October 31 and until December 31, a properly released player (s) may be moved to a Tier II roster under the following circumstances and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships.*
1. *The player's current Tier I or Tier II team disbands;*
2. *The player is cut from a Tier I team;*
3. *The player is a registered USA Hockey player currently playing at the A or B level.*
e. *After December 31, Tier II rosters are frozen and no players may be added (or deleted).”*

NEW Article 11.13 Game Misconducts: To read as follows: *“Any player or coach upon receiving a 3rd game misconduct in the current playing season will be referred to the CAHA 1st V. P. for possible supplemental discipline. Any team or player displaying a pattern of excessive penalty minutes may be referred to the CAHA 1st V. P. for possible supplemental discipline.”*

Laura Ryan motioned to approve Section 11.0 and Bridget Hopkinson seconded. Bob Drifill asked if movement between Midget AA16 and Midget AA18 is considered a lateral movement or a movement up. Rosemary Voulelikas stated that she remembers a situation where a MD AA16 player was financially free and clear and was requesting a release to another MD AA18U team. The club denied the request stating it was a lateral movement. The family appealed it to USA Hockey and USA Hockey ruled it was a movement up. Bridget Hopkinson questioned why we would penalize a cut Tier II player and not allow them to play on another Tier II team. Therese Phillips stated that the rule is in response to SCAHA fielding 108 cuts in a two week period last season and that it is apparent that families are “buying” their cuts. Kathy McGarrigle asked if someone can appeal or ask for a waiver to the rule if they can show proof that their cut is genuine. Therese Phillips stated that it does not stop anyone from appealing or asking for a waiver and/or for Youth Council to review on a case by case scenario.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

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Rule Change Proposals (cont'd)

Laura Ryan moved to approve Section 10.0 with the following amendment to Article 10.9.

The new 10.9 (d) to read as follows:

- d. *After October 31 and until December 31, a properly released Tier I player (s) may be moved to a Tier II roster under the following circumstances and be post season eligible for CAHA state Championships.*
 1. *The player's current Tier I team disbands;*
 2. *The player is cut from a Tier I team;*
- e. *After December 31, Tier I rosters are frozen and no players may be added (or deleted)."*
(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Section 12.0 Youth A Classification

Article 12.3 Player Movement: To read as follows: *"Until January 7, a properly released A player may be added to another A roster and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships provided the requirements of Rule 12.2.b are met.*

- a. *Until January 7, a properly released B player may be added to an A roster and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships provided the requirements of Rule 12.2.b are met.*
- b. *Until October 31 any properly released player registered and rostered on a Tier I or Tier II team may drop to A and still be post season eligible for CAHA state championships provided the requirements of Rule 12.2.b are met.*
- c. *After October 31, any properly released player registered and rostered on a Tier I or Tier II team may drop to A but will not be post season eligible.*
- d. *After October 31 and until January 7, a properly released player may be added to an A roster under the following circumstances and will be post season eligible for CAHA state championships provided the requirements of Rule 12.2.b. are met.*
 1. *The player's current Tier I or Tier II team disbands OR*
 2. *The player is cut from a Tier I or Tier II team.*
- e. *After January 7, A rosters are frozen and no players may be added (or deleted).*

Section 13.0 Youth B Classification

Article 13.3 Player Movement: To read as follows: *"Until January 15, a properly released B player may be added to another B roster and be post season eligible for CAHA state championships provided the requirements of Rule 13.2.b are met.*

- a. *Until October 31 any properly released player registered and rostered on a Tier I, Tier II or A team may drop to B and still be post season eligible for CAHA state championships provided the requirements of Rule 13.2.b are met.*
- b. *After October 31, any properly released player registered and rostered on a Tier I, Tier II or A team may drop to B but will not be post season eligible.*
- c. *After October 31 and until January 15, a properly released player may be added to a B roster under the following circumstances and will be post season eligible for CAHA state Championships provided the requirements of Rule 13.2.b. are met.*
 1. *The player's current Tier I, Tier II or A team disbands OR*
 2. *The player is cut from a Tier I, Tier II team or A team.*
- d. *After January 15, B rosters are frozen and no players may be added (or deleted).*

Laura Ryan moved to approve Sections 12.0 and 13.0 as proposed.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Section 14.0 Girls' and Women's Teams

Article 14.4 Team Contacts: To read as follows: By October 1 of each season, all teams must....

...fax number "of the Head Coach and Team Manager" of each team.....

Section 14.0 Girls' and Women's Teams (cont'd)

Article 14.5 CAHA Dual Participation for Girls'/Women's Teams: Insert "CAHA" before National-bound Youth Tier I or Tier II... and after Girls'.

Article 14.6.2: Replace CAHA board with CAHA Youth Council.

Article 14.9: Girls' Tier I (AAA), Tier II (AA)...

Article 14.9.1: CAHA Mission Statement: The phrase "from other Girls' programs" to be added at the end of the current rule.

Article 14.9.2 Number of Games Eligibility: To read as follows: Each team (except Sr. A teams) must have completed.....(10) games during the season.

- a. The team's certified roster must have prior approval..... to count toward the 14/10 rule.
- b. *"All Girls' 12U, 14U and 16U teams competing as a National bound team(s) must participate in BOTH CAHA mandated tournaments (north and south)."*
- New c. *"All Girls' 12U, 14U, 16U & 19U must comply with the 200% playing rule. This will typically be satisfied at the CAHA mandated tournament weekends (Girls' 19U teams must submit a 200% schedule to the G/W Commissioner by November 1."*

Article 14.10.1.f: Each Girls' Tier I (AAA), Tier II (AA) team must play at least "two" games against all of the other.....See the CAHA Calendar.

Article 14.10.1.g: To read as follows: It shall be the responsibility of all Girls'/Women's teams to promptly notify the CAHA 1st Vice President "and the CAHA Girls'/Women's Commissioner of match penalties or" any incident involving spectators that occurs.....after such incident or penalty occurs.

Article 14.11: To read as follows: Individual player recruitment and solicitation at Girls' Tier I (AAA) must follow the Guidelines passed by the USA Hockey Youth Council on June 5, 2009. (See paragraph 14.17 for guidelines).

"A player must obtain a temporary or permanent release prior to participating with another Member Association. All players shall enter into a written agreement each year with the Member Association that they will be playing for that season from the date of the agreement until April 30."

Article 14.13: To read as follows: "For purposes of CAHA, Pacific District and USA Hockey Championships, once a Girls' team declares Tier I (AAA), the team cannot drop to Tier II (AA) after October 15 of the current playing season. For purposes of CAHA, Pacific District and USA Hockey Championships, a Women's Senior B team may not drop to Women's C after December 1 of the current playing season.

Article 14.15: To read as follows: Copies of all score sheets must be submitted to the "CAHA Girls'/Women's Commissioner" within 48 hours after.....or out of state.

Breaks in Norcal & SCAHA 2010-2011 Schedules for Girls' Tournament Weekends:

- a. September/October 2010 South Weekend (TBD) (CAHA Mandated Weekend)
- b. January 14-17, 2011 MLK Weekend San Jose, CA (CAHA Mandated Weekend)
- c. January 29-3, 2011 CAHA Girls' Select Camp
- d. February 25-27, 2011 Women's PDC, San Diego, CA
- e. March 3-6, 2011 Girls' Tier I & II PDC, Anaheim, CA
- f. March 30-April 3, 2011 Tier II Girls National Championships
- g. April 1-3, 2011 Women's National Championships, Detroit, MI
- h. April 6-10, 2011 Tier I Girls National Championships, Detroit, MI

Kevin Culbertson moved to approve Section 14.0 as proposed.

(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

CAHA State Championships

Section 15.0 Policy

Article 15.1: Strike out “plus various Senior classifications” and add to the end of the rule the following:
...classification “beginning with the Squirt division. State Championships will not be held if one of the leagues within the State had not fielded at least one team within the division or classification.”

Article 15.2: Strike out the last sentence of the rule starting with CAHA State Championships...

Articles 15.3 and 15.4: Strike out both articles completely.

Section 16.0 Eligibility Requirements For Hosting CAHA State Youth Tournaments

Article 16.1: To read as follows: *“Any CAHA Member Association, Rink or League in good standing may Bid to host any or all of the CAHA State Championship tournaments.”*

Article 16.4: Strike out the last sentence starting with “Likewise, any profits or losses resulting....Association.”

Section 17.0 Bidding requirements for CAHA State Tournaments

Article 17.2: add “at the Fall meeting” to the end of the first sentence and add “and only if first accepted by the Youth Council Chair” to the end of the rule.

Article 17.3: The changes to this article are as follows:

- “a.” Team entry fees determined by CAHA
- “c.” Estimated referee costs
- “e.2.” Strike out item 2 completely
- “e.5” Add item 5. Host Hotel Information

Article 17.4: To read as follows: *“All bidders are required to disclose any and all fees which would be billed to CAHA if the bid is awarded. CAHA reserves the right to decline certain fees/services.”* As part of their bid,.....listed below. The following information is required as a minimum: The changes are:

- “a.” Complete schedule of games. Agreement to work with CAHA or its designee to schedule games until schedule is mutually agreeable.
- “e.” Availability of meeting space.
- NEW “h.” Ability to provide working and adequate PA announcement system for awards presentation.
- “j.” Proposed merchandise excluding wearables which shall not conflict with the approved vendor which shall be contracted by CAHA who shall keep the proceeds from these sales.
- NEW “k.” Ability to secure photographer and videographer.

Article 17.5: Strike out the first sentence. To read as follows: Location and description of the proposed rinks along with a list of.....should be included in the bid.

Article 17.6: Add the word “scheduled” after the word hours and before the word between. The last sentence of the rule should read: “The CAHA Youth Council must approve exceptions to these requirements.”

Article 17.7: Add to the end of the rule the following sentence: “Midget Tier I shall have cuts between the 2nd and the 3^d period of all games and bids should include this provision.”

Article 17.10: Add to the end of the rule: “Vendors contracted by venues may only use the CAHA name or logo with the express written consent of the CAHA President.”

Section 18.0 CAHA responsibilities for State Youth Championship Tournaments

Article 18.2: Insert “prior to the bid process” after establish the fess and before to be paid to the referees...
Add to the end of the sentence: “when the State designates payment to the Host.”

Article 18.4: add the word “Chair” after Youth Council.

Article 18.5: Add to the end of the rule the following: “CAHA may designate credentialing to the local leagues.”

Rosemary Voulelikas moved to approve Sections 15, 16, 17 and 18 with the exception of Article 18.6.
(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

Bob Drifill moved to eliminate the second place team trophies in Article 18.6 and seconded by Jim Burcar.
(motion **SECONDED** and **FAILS**)

Section 19.0 Host Associations Responsibilities For State Youth Championship Tournaments

Article 19.2: Strike out the first occurrence of “visiting” and add the following to the end of the rule:
“The host ensures adequate host hotel arrangements will be available to all traveling teams.”

Article 19.3: To read as follows: “When the tournament fees are established by the CAHA Youth Council, such fees shall be the cost of the tournament to the participating teams. No refunds shall be granted nor additional costs be charged to the teams. Once the teams have been notified of qualification for participation in a State Tournament, the invited team owes the State the approved amount and no refunds will be given unless approved by the CAHA Youth Council.”

Article 19.4: To read as follows: “The Host shall have first aid materials on site at all times. In addition, the Host shall be responsible for ensuring that information on local emergency facilities is available to all attendees. The cost of any medical care is the responsibility of the injured player.”

Article 19.5: Add the following phrase “along with their contact information” after the word goaltenders and before the words no later.

Article 19.7: To read as follows: “The Host is responsible for providing off-ice officials for all games. At a minimum, this shall include personnel to do timekeeping and scorekeeping.”

Article 19.8: Add the following words “within two weeks” after the word promptly and before the words in accordance.

Article 19.9: Strike out the first sentence; “The Host will prepare proposed game slots with the bid packet.”

Article 19.20: Completely eliminated.

Section 20: Participating Team Responsibilities for State Youth Championship Tournaments

Article 20.1: To read as follows: “Teams and players are required to make rooming arrangements at the Host Hotels as designated and published by CAHA. Those violating this requirement shall incur a fine which will be payable to the Host.”

Article 20.3: Insert the word “the” after entering and before CAHA State Championship.

Article 20.7: Insert the word “maintenance” after the word repairs, and before the words or replacement.

Article 20.8: Insert the word “club” before check payable to CAHA... and insert the phrase “club or team” after In the event “a club or team has pre-paid a tournament deposit”.....of the second sentence.

Article 20.9: To read as follows: “When requested by notification of the Youth Council”, each participating team is responsible for submitting....(1) game suspension assessed to the Head Coach of the offending team.

Section 21.0 Tournament Discipline Committee

New Article: To read as follows: “Spectators at CAHA State Tournaments are expected to comply in a manner that is not detrimental to the game or its participants. This privilege may be revoked at any time and spectators are expected to comply immediately at the request of Tournament personnel.”

New Article: To read as follows “The use of noise makers is prohibited.”

Section 22.0 Tournament Credentials Procedures

Article 22.2: Add “leagues” after the words participating teams. In addition other changes are:

22.2.b.2 Add “(only if registration was NOT done through the online process).”

22.2.b.4 & 5: Strike out completely

22.2.d.1: Strike out completely

22.2.d.3 Add “(only if registration was NOT done through the online process).”

Sub articles to be re-numbered accordingly.

Article 22.3: Change will to “may”

Section 23.0 State Championship Tournament Format for Youth Divisions

Article 23.2: Time slots for the State Tournament shall be:

Tier I	1.50hr
Championship Tier Games	2.00hr
Championship PW & Above A/B Games	1.75hr
Squirt Championship Games	1.50hr

Article 23.8 & 23.10: Housekeeping changes

Bob Driffill motioned to accept the proposed rules changes in Section 19 through 23 as presented.
(motion **SECONDED** and **PASSED**)

USA Hockey Report

Charlie Fuertsch reported on the USAH Annual Congress meeting held in June as well as the Annual Pacific District meeting held in February. The following highlights to the annual meetings are:

- Casey Jorgensen was elected as the new Pacific District Director replacing Bruce Urban who moved out of the District.
- Donna Kaufman was appointed Pacific District Chair person
- Rocky Mountain Online Registration System used for the development camp this year worked well and will be using again next year. They are encouraging the affiliates to use it as well.
- Multi-District Festival for 15U did not happen. There wasn't any interest at this age group to attend. Pacific District decided to opt out for next year and we will only be participating in the 14U division, July 22-25, 2011 at Kent State University.
- Bob Freeland Grants from the District are for start-up programs growing the game. There are 8 grants of \$2,500 each available and only three associations applied for them. There are still 5 grants available from this past year.
- Housekeeping District Bylaws changes were made. The major change was to move the Annual District meeting to May from January. Next District meeting is October 16 in Seattle.
- This year was a USA Hockey Legislative Rule change year. Next year will be a playing rule changes year. There were basically two general housekeeping rule changes; six-(6) Adult rule changes, one-(1) Youth rule change, five-(5) Girls and four-(4) Coaches section proposals and two-(2) High School, two-(2) officials, four-(4) registrars and 66 Junior Council proposals.
- Adding classifications to the Adult, non-checking 50+ and 60+ and added Women's recreational hockey 40+ and 50+
- Eliminated the Adult classifications of Elite and Adult non-checking 35+

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- Women's 40+ is replaced by Women's recreational 40+
- The Tier II Youth National format was formalized to allow 48 teams to participate similar to this year
- The Youth Pee Wee Tier National Tournament was eliminated starting in the year 2012-2013 in order to follow the ADM principles
- High School Prep and High School Varsity may register on more than one team that leads to a National Championship
- The High School National Championship rules will be included in the annual USA Hockey guide.
- Coaches Section – many changes basically to bring the CEP program in line with the ADM program
- Officials the cost structure were changed

Charlie Fuertsch reported that USA Hockey is focusing on implementing the ADM program at the Mite level. Charlie Fuertsch named a few programs that have adopted the ADM.

Charlie Fuertsch stated that there was discussion of eliminating checking at the Pee Wee level. Hockey Weekend across America is next February 18-20. NBC and the NHL will help to celebrate those days.

USA Hockey's one goal program now has a one goal stick (straight blade) program and the cost would be \$8.

The 7th Annual Disabled Hockey Festival will take place April 1-3 in Blaine, Minnesota. It will encompass all four disciplines of disabled hockey; deaf and hearing impaired hockey, special hockey, Sled hockey and standing amputee hockey.

The screening and abuse policy has been revised and should be posted shortly on their web site. Our District is in very good shape. There are about 4 or 5 affiliates that are deficient and USA Hockey is following up with them to bring them into compliance.

Charlie Fuertsch stated for the Select Camps, Bruce Urban will still be involved.

New Business
Recruiting Issues

Rick Hutchinson stated that he feels that recruiting is occurring all the time and now it is reaching down to the younger levels, Mites and Squirts. Bob Doherty addressed Rick Hutchinson's concerns. Bob Doherty explained what the process is at the league level. SCAHA has reviewed two incidents during Bob Doherty's tenure. What is needed is the accusation along with documented proof that recruiting actually occurred. Lance Burrow stated that at Norcal, they have only had one documented incident. The problem is that not many of the families will report and back it up with documented proof or even make the documented allegation. Rosemary Voulelikas added that maybe it is up to CAHA and the leagues to make it more difficult for the recruited player to move clubs and remove the onus from the families to have to formally accuse a coach and/or club of recruiting of which we are finding out that they are reluctant to do that.

Charlie Fuertsch read from the new USA Hockey's Coach's Code of Conduct. Recruiting is prohibited during the season of having direct or indirect contact with a player from another member association.

District Wide Player Movement – Tabled until the next meeting in September.

Therese Phillips stated that unfortunately she is not comfortable with how the process of selecting the Commissioners were handled during the meeting. The commissioners are selected by the Youth Council Chair and today we were taking nominations for the Tier I, Tier II, High School, Girls'/Women's, etc.

commissioner positions. Normally, the YC Chair will receive email interests from the directors and then appoint the commissioners and YC committee members. Steve Laing stated that that was correct in how the process usually works. He apologized and stated they will make sure that we follow protocol.

Meeting adjourned at 4:47 pm.

Next meeting scheduled September 11, 2010 Ontario, CA