



CAHA Meeting of the Board of Directors' Minutes

Date: Jan. 26, 2013

Location: Glacial Gardens Arena, Lakewood, CA

Time: 9:00 A.M.

CAHA DIRECTORS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present	Abs.	Consec. Abs.	DIRECTOR	Present	Abs.	Consec. Abs.	DIRECTOR
X			Steve Laing, President	X		1	John Hamer
X			Ed Tar, 1 st V.P.	X			Kathy McGarrigle
X			Laura Cahn, 2 nd V.P.	X			William Stone
X		1	Tyler Shaffar, 3 rd V.P.	X		1	Lawrence Cahn
X		1	Bridget Hopkinson, 4 th V.P.	X			Jaime Campbell
X			Bob Drifill, Treasurer	X		1	Ron White
X			Rosemary Voulelikas, Secretary	X			Rick Hutchinson
X		1	Sandy Blumberg				
X			Lance Burrow				
X		1	Chris Carcerano	NON VOTING CAHA DIRECTORS			
X			Kevin Culbertson		X	3	Rob Foster
X			Michael Donahue	X			Mark Mauro
X			Thomas Hancock				
X		1	James Gasseau				
			USAH DIRECTORS				
	X		Dru Hammond, District Director				
	X		Charlie Fuertsch, District Director				
	X		Donna Kaufman, District Director				
	X		Jon Gustafson, District Director				
	X		Wendy Goldstein, Associate Reg.				

- Steve Laing called the meeting to order at 9:05 am. Steve Laing called for new items to the agenda. None were presented.

Approval of Minutes

Kevin Culbertson moved to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2012 meeting.

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

President's Report

Steve Laing informed the board that the USA College rankings of players attending Division I schools was released last month. CAHA was ranked in 6th place with 67 Californian players playing at Division I colleges.

Pacific District will be adding a Girls' Showcase (aka Chicago showcase) at the same time as the High School in Pittsburgh. For the Girls division, the districts attending will be MidAm, Central, Pacific, New England, Michigan and Rocky Mountain. Bridget Hopkinson has been asked to be a team leader for the Girls'.

Steve Laing distributed the 2013 Playing Rule Proposal and highlighted some of the proposed playing rules presented at the USAH Winter Congress.

President's Report (cont'd)

- The playing rules changes will be every 4 years instead of every two years.
- CAHA's Rule 620 proposal cleared the playing committee with the addition of a match penalty.
- All items (refer to handout) marked as approved will be voted on at the June Annual Congress.
- Proposal 22 states that you may not wear a helmet without the approved HECC sticker
- Proposal 34 calls for a progressive suspension for players receiving 3 or more major penalties for dangerous actions. They added a penalty for fighting
- Rule 304 ~ No concussion monitoring device recognized
- Ear pieces on helmets must be worn

Steve Laing reported that they will be reviewing mouthpieces. The Girls' national team does not wear any mouthpieces. There could be a required change coming for youth.

Steve Laing attended two town hall meetings. One of them was on Safesport with a committee looking at on ice components, players, bench personnel, first-aid, etc. Steve was asked to give a presentation. The USOC is coming out with training videos with the full program out in June and manuals and training ready in August. USAH asked if they can use CAHA's power point Safesport presentation. There will be Safesport training for coordinators during the month of March in Colorado.

Steve Laing informed the board that there is a Pacific District meeting next month. USA Hockey is recommending that District's no longer complete the Block Grant forms but rather they should have their affiliates apply and complete the forms, etc. directly for the Block Grant money.

Steve Laing reported that Dan Rogness, the Pacific District Registrar, is retiring and Steve is recommending nominating Wendy Goldstein.

Financial Report

Bob Driffill distributed the financials dated July 1 to December 31, 2012. Steve Laing asked if the amount of \$7000 expensed for the scheduler is correct. Laura Cahn stated that this amount has already been accounted for in the Tier II scheduling. Mark Mauro stated that the Cd's are maturing in March and recommends that Bob Driffill researches the rates. Mike Donahue moved to allow the chair of the Finance Committee to select the best available rate/term.

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

Select Camp

Ed Tar reported that 184 players are attending the CAHA Select Camp. They have about 15 coach evaluators and everything is going well so far. Ed Tar thanked SCAHA and Norcal for all of their help. This year we had more players playing out of state who were evaluated at our camp as well as more injured players on the injury list.

Disputes Resolutions & Penalty Review Report

Ed Tar reported that it has been quiet since November. There was a match penalty assessed to a player for removal of a helmet. No hearing was called because upon further investigation there wasn't any removal of a helmet. Ed clarified that we do not automatically call a hearing for a match penalty.

Ed Tar informed the board that an adult hearing is scheduled for this afternoon for an adult player for an assault of an official. There is an appeal this afternoon to the full board for a screening alert.

Bridget Hopkinson asked if there was a way to have the Rocky Mountain Registrar update the USAH Consent to Treat forms, etc., that are being used for the Select camps. Chris Carcerano added to please email him the changes they would like to see in the documents. Ed Tar stated that he will send Bob Driffill a summary of the expenses, etc.

Mite Cross-Ice Exception

Steve Laing informed the board that he is currently on USA Hockey's Youth Executive's subcommittee to review requests for exceptions to the Mite 8U cross-ice games from states across the US. There are no exceptions at the 6U division. Norcal has had cross-ice games for a while and SCAHA just recently voted to no longer schedule Mite games. SCAHA clubs/Rinks will be running their own Mite programs. Starting next season USA Hockey will no longer sanction tournaments with full ice games at the 8U division. Steve Laing asked the board for their opinion on requesting or not requesting the full ice game exceptions.

Mike Donahue moved to allow each rostered 8U team the following: a maximum of 12 full ice games which includes tournaments after January 1st for the 2013-14 season and no exception for the 6U division; to allow for a maximum of 8 full ice games for the 2014-15 season which includes tournaments after January 1st and no exception for the 6U division; to allow for a maximum of 5 full ice games which includes tournaments after January 1st for the 2015-16 season and no exception for the 6U division; to allow for no exception for full ice games which includes tournaments for the 2016-17 season.

(motion **SECONDED** and **FAILED**)

Rick Hutchinson moved to allow each rostered 8U team the following: a maximum of 14 full ice games which includes tournaments after January 1st for the 2013-14 season and no exception for the 6U division.

(motion **SECONDED** and **FAILED**)

Rick Hutchinson moved to allow each rostered 8U team the following: a maximum of 12 full ice games which includes tournaments after January 1st for the 2013-14 playing season and no exception for the 6U division.

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

John Hamer moved for reconsideration of the motion above that was just taken and passed.

(motion **SECONDED** and **FAILED**)

Mike Donahue moved to allow for a maximum of 8 full ice games for the 2014-15 season which includes tournaments after January 1st through to April 30th, and no exception for the 6U division; to allow for a maximum of 5 full ice games which includes tournaments after January 1st through to April 30th, for the 2015-16 season and no exception for the 6U division; to allow for no exception for full ice games which includes tournaments for the 2016-17 season and on and no exception for the 6U.

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

Youth Council Report

Laura Cahn reported that CAHA is currently prepping for the state playoffs. Tier I is in two weeks in El Segundo, Tier II is on March 15 in Simi and A/B is in April. We have one more Tier II weekend next week and the Tier II playdowns are coming up next month. There is a rules committee meeting scheduled for April 26th in LA. It will be a two day meeting. If you have any suggestions please email them to Laura Cahn. The only controversial issue this season was with the PW AA Jr. Gulls team. They decided to attend the PW Quebec tournament and CAHA will move the 9th place team into the playdown bracket.

Steve Laing asked for some of the Norcal directors to help out with the Adult Tournament in April.

John Hamer reported that the High School state playoffs are the weekend of March 2nd in San Jose. This year there will be a Division I and a Division II playoff (Nationally Bound) at the same time with 4 teams in each division. The method of selecting the Division I teams will be determined at a later time.

Steve Laing stated that USA Hockey does not allow 8th graders rostered on high school rosters but can be rostered as Bantam teams playing in a high school league.

Youth Council Report (cont'd)

Steve Laing stated that California girls' players showed very little interest in attending the American Showcase with only 5 players from San Jose teams and 3 players from Pasadena showing any interest. Steve added that the other CA slots were turned over to the District to select players for the Pacific district team.

Tournament Report

Sandy Blumberg informed the board that the fees for the Tier I/II state playoffs will be increased due to the double elimination format, etc. The fees will be approximately \$1600 to \$1650. We will have medals for the first and second place teams.

Adult Tournament

Tyler Shaffar stated that we are well under way with teams registering. USA Hockey is sending out the information via their data base to all adult registrants in USA Hockey. USA Hockey will be subsidizing the alcoholic beverages for the adult tournament. Mike Donahue was contacted by the president of the Northern California Women's club. She would like to see CAHA advertise three levels of Women's competition; Women's C, Women's B and Women's Novice. Steve Laing asked who they are playing now. Why do we not have those teams they play join the adult tournament?

Member Services

Jaime Campbell reported that we have 33 registered travel programs, 20 registered adult programs, 6 disabled programs, 4 Women's/Girls' recreational programs, two high school programs and 20 in-house programs for a total of 85 CAHA member associations. We've collected \$12,430 in member registrations. There are 11 remaining programs that have yet to pay with one of them being a travel program, the Stockton Colts, the others are house programs or new.

Steve Laing stated that the Stockton Colts' president needs to be informed that their club is not in good standing and will be post season ineligible.

Laura Cahn asked if the concussion committee has created the revised coaches/managers' forms. Jaime Campbell stated that they will have that for the May meeting for review.

Director of Referee Report

Mark Mauro shared with the board Matt Leif's Jan. 10th response regarding concussion detection devices on helmets. Steve Laing informed Mark Mauro that he needs to inform the officials that as of January 19th California will not be allowing any detection devices on helmets, please make reference to the rules regarding the helmet sticker and rule 620's current status, etc.

Mark Mauro informed the board that the schedule for El Segundo has already been done. There are 12 from LAHOA, 2 from San Diego and 3 from Norcal. In addition, he has advised that all game 7's are an "if necessary" and that all game 6's and game 7's are treated as championship games.

Director of Coaches Report

Steve Laing stated that all issues regarding deadlines, modules, clinics for coaches should be all directed to Chris Carcerano and not Youth Council.

Old Business

Steve Laing stated that only one program has asked for the one goal equipment.

New Business

Steve Laing informed the board he will be bringing the bylaw changes to the full board in May. The elections are coming up in May. Steve Laing read the names of the directors that will be up for election.

New Business (Cont'd)

Steve Laing sent a letter to USA Hockey outlining the rules for the NA3HL Junior League in California. This was approved by USA Hockey. There are currently 3 teams, Anaheim, San Jose and Simi Valley. The 4th team will be known in April.

2014 Nationals

Tier I	U14, U16 & U18	Greenbay, WI	April 2-6
Tier II	U14	Hackensack, NJ	April 2-6
Tier II	U16	Reston, VA	April 2-6
Tier II	U18	Wayne, NJ	April 2-6
Adult Women		Marlboro, Mass	Mar. 21-23
Tier I	Girls'	Marlboro, Mass	April 2-6
Tier II	Girls'	Amherst, NY	April 2-6
HS Nationals		Omaha, Nebraska	Mar. 26-30

2014 CAHA Meeting Schedule

September 14
November 9
January 25

Meeting adjourned at 2:43 pm.

Next meeting scheduled May 18, 2013 Holiday Inn, Ontario, CA