



CAHA Board of Directors' Minutes

Date: November 18, 2017

Location: Doubletree Hotel San Jose, CA

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Present	Abs	Total # Abs	DIRECTOR	Present	Abs	Total # Abs	DIRECTOR
X			Thomas Hancock, President		X		Chris Carcerano
X			Rosemary Voulelikas 1 st V.P.	X			Craig Carlyle
	X		Laura Cahn, 2 nd V.P.		X		Kevin Culbertson
	X		Tyler Shaffar, 3 rd V.P.		X		Ben Frank
	X		Bridget Hopkinson, 4 th V.P.	X			Chris Hathaway
	X		Jeff Blair	X			Rick Hutchinson
X			Matthew Blanchart		X		Mike Janda
	X		Curtis Brown		X		Craig Johnson
X			Lance Burrow		X		Amanda Long
X			Jaime Campbell		X		Kathy McGarrigle
				X			William Stone
			NON VOTING DIRECTOR				USAH DIRECTOR / GUEST
X			Mark Mauro, Director-of-Referees	X			Wendy Goldstein
X			Chris Hayes, Interim Treasurer	X			Chip Cormic
	X		Jennifer Sprow, Secretary	X			Nancy Hodge

Thomas Hancock called the meeting to order at 9:15 am. There are 8 directors present; therefore a quorum present.

Minutes

William Stone moved to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2017 meeting as presented.
(motion **SECONDED** by Jaime Campbell and **APPROVED**)

President's Report

Thomas Hancock informed the board of Mark Gray's resignation from the position of CAHA treasurer. Thomas would like the board to approve the interim appointment of Chris Hays, Pacific District Director, with a monthly stipend of \$200-\$300. William Stone moved to approve Chris Hayes as the interim CAHA treasurer.

(motion **SECONDED** by Rosemary Voulelikas and **APPROVED**)

Thomas reminded the board of the charitable donation the board approved at the last meeting to provide Mount Shasta with one-goal equipment. The program starts November 27, 2017.

In addition, Thomas Hancock reminded the board of the email votes regarding CAHA making a charitable donation in the amount of \$2000 to the Santa Rosa Fundraiser held as a result of the wildfires in Northern California in October 2017. The email vote occurred October 12, 2017 with a vote of 20 Yes.

Financial Report

Thomas Hancock informed the board that he will meet with Chris Hayes in the next two weeks to review the GL codes for the chart of accounts and they will begin the process of re-numbering and re-organizing the chart of accounts.

Member Services

Jaime Campbell reported that we have collected a total of \$20,580 in membership fees; with 2/3 of the membership using the online payment system and the balance using payment by checks. Jaime reminded the board that next season all membership fees must be paid online and that we are no longer accepting mailed paper check payments; this was the agreement made when we voted to use Rocky Mountain System. They can still do the electronic check payment online.

We currently have 76 out of 87 members registered and paid which represents a total of 391 teams registered.

SafeSport

Lance Burrow informed the board that many clubs do not report SafeSport issues and manage them internally. They have an obligation to report all SafeSport Allegations either to the respective league Coordinator; Rick Hutchinson, SCAHA and Jaime Campbell, NORCAL or directly to Lance Burrow, CAHA Coordinator. Lance has an obligation to report to USA Hockey quarterly. Lance will be issuing a report to each of the league presidents to share with their member clubs. Lance stated that we need to address education on a frequent basis. Discussion followed. The most common denominator is the club turnover and educating them. We will need to start scheduling a SafeSport seminar annually; one for the south and one for the north. Some ideas are: a FAQ letter to membership; a one-page agreement for club SafeSport Coordinators as well as a job description for coordinators.

Screening

Jaime Campbell reported that the issues with the integration software link from USA Hockey and Verified Volunteers had earlier on in the season with has been resolved. The total number of applicants screened for this year is 5900 with 5864 being successful. Jaime recommended that when we renew the contract with Verified Volunteers that we ask for a dedicated CAHA registration link.

Dispute Resolutions & Penalty Review

Rosemary Voulelikas reported that as of June 2017 of this current season, there were a total of 26 hearings plus a special meeting involving two rival coaches. The breakdown of the hearings is as follows; seven-(7) adult players, 13 youth players, one administration hearing; three-(3) spectator ejections and three-(3) summary suspensions resulting from video reviews. Rosemary added that she formed a 3-man mini-committee to review videos submitted for possible summary suspensions. Thomas Hancock added that he recommended that a policy be put in place whereby a notice of complaint and a request for a video review must be submitted within 48 hours of the incident and it must be submitted by the club president. If the initial notice comes from other than the club president then the club president will have an additional 24 hours to submit the notice of complaint. Rosemary stated that we need more directors to step up and help with volunteering on the Disciplinary Resolutions Committee.

CAHA Select Camp

Rosemary Voulelikas reported that the registration deadline for league camps has passed. Once the leagues are done with their camps, weekend of December 9-10, 2017, they will forward their selections to CAHA. Rosemary added that she has already addressed the Out-of-District CA players and asked if there were any questions regarding the Select Camp process.

Director of Referees Report

Mark Mauro reported on the scheduling of officials for the Tier II weekends. Mark stated that he will be contacting the official organizations for recommendations for candidates' names to work the State Playoffs.

Meeting temporarily adjourned at 10:40 am for closed Narek Abajian Suspension Appeal at 11:00 am.

Result of the Appeal; Board of Directors upheld the Disciplinary Resolutions & Penalty Review Committee's suspension of the player Narek Abajian.

USA Hockey Goalie Development Coordinator Report

Allan "Chip" Cormier, CAHA Goaltender Coordinator for the North, summarized USA Hockey's directive to help affiliates implement a cohesive goaltending development curriculum. It is the Coordinator's task to educate and inform all clubs on the development of goaltenders by providing goalie coaching clinics, coaching materials and support. USA Hockey's Goalie Coaching Educational Program will consolidate all age specific modules into one on-line module that can be accessed by any coach for a cost of \$10. This module goes through the basics of goaltending such as stance, position, T-Push, Shuffle, C-Cut and save positions such as the butterfly. This is scheduled to be announced as of January 2018.

USA Hockey is developing two types of seminars: 4-hour contact seminars with one hour on ice; High Performance 8-hours Symposium with two hours on ice. The task for each Goalie Development coordinator is to provide High Performance seminars from June 18, 2018 through to July 31, 2018 in their respective areas.

Steve Laing informed the board that in Washington this past May 19-21, 2017 they had their first pilot Goalie Development Camp. USA Hockey's goal is to have American goalies make up 50% of all goalies in the NHL by the year 2031. The next goalie development camp will be in February of 2018. Steve Thompson, the District GDC, meets with the coordinators twice a year.

Pacific District Report

Steve Laing reported on the changes to the National Tournament format, rules, etc. The National Tournament guidebook should be out shortly. Some highlights are:

- 1- An entry fee cap of \$800 per team for District Championships. Any increase will require approval from National.
- 2- Must stay at host hotels and book through host. If they do not then a penalty fine of 12 rooms per night is levied against the offending team.
- 3- Ice cuts on clock; 12 minute count downs.
- 4- Bringing back Quarter-Finals; for Youth 6-day tournament with 1 game/day and for the girls a 5-day tournament.
- 5- 16-team format for Youth and Girls Tier II
- 6- A Selection Committee will select the extra 4 teams and will not be based on Hockey rankings.
- 7- Tie Breaking Rules are listed-cut and paste

The USA Hockey Player Safety Program has three points of focus for this year to report back to the June Congress. The company that is working with USA Hockey is Player's Health. The first priority is the concussion program and USA Hockey's desire to evolve it into a national program. Their second focus is the role of the Player Safety Coordinator. And USA Hockey's third focus is to ensure that there is at least one AED unit in each rink across USA. Jaime Campbell is heading the Pilot Program Committee for USA Hockey/Pacific District. The Las Vegas Golden Jr. Knights have been selected to participate in the Pilot program. Basically they are testing an injury reporting system on data of USA Hockey players that is HIPPA compliant. The data being collected is on concussions only. Managers input into the Player's Health system and the players gets a HIPPA tracking number. Every time the player is evaluated by a physician, the information gets inputted by the manager. They are testing the system to see if it is user friendly or not. Vegas is collecting data for the Pilot program since September 1, 2017 and will continue until April 30, 2018.

2019 Selections for the National Championships are as follows:

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| Tier I | April 4-9, 2019 | Tier II ~ April 4-8, 2019 |
| | •14U ~ Pittsburgh | •14U ~ South Bend, Indiana |
| | •15U ~ Plymouth, MI | •16U ~ Dallas |
| | •16U & 18U ~ Grand Rapids, MI | •18U ~ San Jose |

High School Nationals March 28-April 1, 2019 ~ Cleveland, Ohio
Girls' Tier I (All) April 4-8, 2019 ~ Anaheim, Irvine Rink
Girls' Tier II (All) April 4-8, 2019 ~ Amherst, NY

There was discussion to move the Women's "C" division to the Adult Division. Unfortunately, that section never submitted a legislative proposal. Pacific District decided to put in the legislative proposal. They put in changes that would allow past Olympic and National players to compete in the Women's division as long as there is a 10 year separation from the last time they played as an Olympian or National player. The other change is to remove the Women's program from the Girls section to the Adults section.

The District Allocations for the 2018 Pacific District Championships are: Entry Fee is \$1350/team

Tier I Super Series: March 8-12, 2018 in San Jose, CA

- 14U CA-3 Teams ~ 2 + Host...6-Team tournament (2-AK + 1-WA)
- 15U CA-3 Teams ~ 2 + Host...4-Team tournament (1-AK)
- 16U CA-3 Teams ~ 2 + Host...6-Team tournament (1-AK + 2-WA)
- 18U CA-2 Teams ~ 1+ Host... 4-Team tournament (1-AK + 1-WA)

Girls' Tier I: March 8-12, 2018 in San Jose, CA

- 14U Anaheim & San Jose (Best of 3)
- 16U Anaheim & Alaska N. Stars (Best of 3)
- 19U Anaheim – No tournament

Girls' Tier II: March 8-12, 2018 in San Jose, CA

- 14U 5-Teams tournament (CA-1 + AK-2 + WA-2)
- 16U 6-Teams tournament (CA-3 + AK-3)
- 19U 5-Teams tournament (CA-1 + AK-2 + WA-2)

Women's B & C ~ March 3-5, 2018 in Escondido, CA

Steve Laing stated that the National office is looking at removing the automatic berth for the Host. In addition, they are also looking at removing checking at the 13U & 14U. The District Allocations for the Player development Camps will be emailed to the directors by Thomas Hancock. Thomas Hancock asked Steve Laing if he heard the rumor of the NHL teams looking to form their own Tier I league. Steve is aware of the NHL teams working closely with the various affiliates, lending support and helping to grow at the grass roots level. Wendy Goldstein asked if the rules can be aligned between SCAHA, NORCAL, CAHA and USA Hockey rules; in particular the 8U division.

Old Business

CAHA High School Pilot Event

William Stone moved to approve Valencia for the High School Division 1B (Pure Non-Nationally Bound) & 2B (Combined Non Nationally Bound) Pilot State Tournaments. Each division will be 8-Teams tournament.

(motion **SECONDED** by Matt Blanchart and **APPROVED**)

A 3rd High School Committee meeting was held. This year is a test Pilot tournament. In June we will be reviewing and voting on reviewing and accepting ADHSHL and LAHSL as signatory leagues of CAHA. Once accepted, then we will be able to add a CAHA State Championship. The High School committee will convene one more time in May to discuss the results of this Pilot program and implementation for next season, with possible inclusion of the Division 2A (Combined Nationally Bound teams).

New Business

GSE Consolidation proposal tabled to January meeting.

Next Meeting January 20, 2018, El Segundo.

Meeting adjourned at 2:22 pm.