



CAHA Board of Directors' Minutes - Board of Directors Meeting

Date: January 29, 2022

Location: Irvine Marriott, Irvine

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Present	Abs	Total # Abs	DIRECTOR	Present	Abs	Total # Abs	DIRECTOR
X			Thomas Hancock, President	X			Rob Foster
Zoom			Rosemary Voulelikas 1 st V.P.	X			Ben Frank
X			Chris Hathaway, 2 nd V.P.	Zoom		1	Dan Granata
X			Rick Hutchinson 3 rd V.P.	X			Cameron Higley
X			Bridget Hopkinson, 4 th V.P.	X			Nancy Hodge
X		1	Dave Bigelow	X			Alex Morrison
X			Matthew Blanchart	Zoom			John Paglia
	X	3	Curtis Brown	X			Vaughn Reuter
X			Kevin Culbertson	X		1	Chi-Yin Tse
X		1	Robert Field	X			Becki Winckler
NON VOTING DIRECTOR				NON VOTING DIRECTOR/ GUEST			
Teresa Attebery, CAHA Secretary				Steve Laing, USAH Director via Zoom			
Wendy Goldstein, Pacific District Registrar				Ken Martel, USAH Technical Director, ADM			
Karen Hackett, CAHA Member Services via Zoom				Matt Zucker, Official & Disabled Section			
Chris Hays, CAHA Treasurer				Thi Ti, CA RIC			

Meeting called to order at 9:15am. Quorum in attendance. Kevin Culbertson motioned to approve November meeting minutes with corrections; 2nd by Alex Morrison – **MOTION PASSED**

9:15am-12pm Diversity & Inclusion presentation by Robbie Williams

President – Tom Hancock

Tier I selection process draft has been emailed to the board for review and discussion.

Dave Bigelow motioned to approve with the following revisions: Change teams to be count towards eligibility to include 19U division; remove autonomous club requirement; 15O team limit = 5 (this is a USAH limit; 12U & 14U team limit = 6; 16U & 18U team limit = 5. Waivers allowed for all but 15O; 2nd by Nancy Hodge – **MOTION APPROVED**

Tom will update document and email to board. Wendy Goldstein will provide report out for club sizes.

Dave Bigelow motioned to re-consider previous approved vote to eliminate 11AAA & 13AAA; 2nd by Rosemary Voulelikas. **Previous vote over-turned.**

Treasurer – Chris Hays

Financial reports distributed for review. CAHA is receiving a refund from 2020-2021 Districts for \$28,601. Fee for 2021-2022 Districts is \$2850. There will be an email vote to use refunded amount towards fees for teams going to 2021-2022 Districts.

Member Services – Karen Hackett

- There are a couple of different email addresses on the CAHA site for membership services. I would like to get that cleaned up (and the membership page) so that there is only one POC for membership. (Not even sure who is monitoring those other addresses as someone reportedly had reached out to those addresses with no reply)
- A decision has to be made on what to do with disabled hockey groups. At one point they were applying as members but this has not happened recently. Wendy and I did discuss this briefly at the start of the season but nothing was decided. We now have a couple of disabled teams scrambling for identifier numbers. It would be great to have a plan in place for next season.

I would like to get things in order for the Spring so we can reach out to clubs early this year.

Member Services team fee to include commissioner fees for Tier I, Tier II, HS NTB and Girls Tier I & Tier II. Motion by Bridget Hopkinson; 2nd by Rosemary Voulelikas – **MOTION PASSED**. Guidebook to be updated to reflect.

Karen, Tom, Wendy, Nancy & Teresa to meet to discuss CAHA registration for Disabled teams.

Legal Counsel – Geoff Leibl

Appeals process is being reviewed.

SafeSport – Scott Gray

No report.

USA Hockey – Steve Laing

Any Safe Sport submission should be vetted before submitting to verify that they are actually Safe Sport issues. The Center for Safe Sport charges USA Hockey \$150/submission; \$1500/refused report; \$3000/accepted report.

Disputes – Rosemary Voulelikas

There are 3-5 discipline hearings per week and this is not enough. We need to consider a review of our rules. Last week there were 5 racial slurs that were not heard by the Officials. This needs to be addressed. Should we do a training with players? Lameka Bell will reach out to Tom with ideas regarding racial slurs.

Mark Mauro and Matt Zucker thanked CAHA for their support of Officials.

CAHA Selects – Rosemary Voulelikas

Working on report for Selects.

High School Commissioner – Rosemary Voulelikas

Everything is good.

Per Tom Hancock the High School tournament application for Nationals was not submitted on time. The date changed this year from Dec 31 to Nov 15. Tom has submitted an appeal to the National Office and is awaiting a response.

ADM Report: Ben Frank

No report.

Officials – Mark Mauro

Officials are all lined for Tier I States and the last CAHA weekend. Louis is handling HS in Anaheim & B/BB. Mark will schedule A.

Youth Council – Chris Hathaway

All good.

Tier Commissioner – Kevin Culbertson

Tier II

Next weekend Feb. 11-13 is Play-In weekend for the 18U Division in Vacaville. Top two teams of the four participating teams will advance to States to join the Regular Season #1 and #2 teams. It is also CAHA Weekend Regular Season and the last weekend for the 14U and 16U divisions after which the top 4 teams will advance to States Mar. 4-6 in Vacaville which will include the 18U States. The last CAHA weekend for the 12U division is Feb. 25-27 with the top 4 teams advancing to States Mar. 25-27 in Riverside.

Tier I

State Playoffs for the National Bound Divisions start this weekend in San Jose and all participating teams have been credentialled by the Registrars. 12U State Playoffs will be Mar. 25-27 in Riverside. Hoping for a good turnout of CAHA Directors to help run these events – it does not run by itself. Yes, there is and will be a lot of “down-time” during the event, and hopefully a great deal of such down-time. But when the unexpected happens, it helps when we have the bodies to help address the unexpected.

In closing my report, and the close of all my future reports until real change is made, is this –There should be serious consequences to "clubs" that allow coaches and or adolescent parents to verbally berate and or physically abuse referees. There has to be a standard established and monitored with consequence..... and..... WITHOUT REGARD TO FEELINGS OR FINANCIAL FALLOUT! Leadership without a backbone is spineless.

Girls Commissioner – Bridget Hopkinson

Girls Select camp went well. Rosemary Voulelikas motioned to move the Girls Select Camp to a separate weekend than Boys; 2nd by Becki Winckler – **MOTION PASSED**

2022-2023 Girls Select Camp will be January 7-8.

USA Hockey – Ken Martel

Power Point presentation on USA Hockey's Hockey Development Department from Ken distributed to board for reference.

Pacific District – Wendy Goldstein

At the Winter Meeting, the USA Hockey Board approved fee increases for USA Hockey registration. NOTE: these are ONLY the USA Hockey fees and **do not** include the Affiliate fees:

6 years old - \$15

7-8 years old - \$50

9-12 years old - \$61

13-18 years old - \$70

No change to adults

Per Tom, CAHA will not increase our affiliate fees and will not charge an affiliate fee for 6 year olds.

Safe Sport is moving to a calendar year based registration. USA Hockey will email members when there they are approaching their expiration.

New Business

Nominations for CAHA directors are due 60 days prior to the June annual meeting. Alex Morrison motioned to approve; 2nd by Chi Tse – **MOTION PASSED**

Girls Tier I Selection process will be for 2022-2023 will be to submit application for review by Competition Committee. Tom and Bridget to discuss process change going forward.

Rosemary would like a report on the PGHL (Pacific Girls Hockey League)

Next Meeting will be June 25

Meeting adjourned at 5:03pm

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Attebery / California Amateur Hockey Association Secretary