

### SCAHA ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 10, 2024
TELECONFERENCE CALL

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PRESENT**

Dave Bigelow (Commissioner); Rosemary Voulelikas (Deputy Commissioner); Helen Alex (Treasurer); Nancy Hodge (Member Services); Rob Foster (Statistician); Bridget Hopkinson (Director); Olivia Meyer (Social Media Director); and Byron Williams (Director).

### MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present	Abs	Total # Abs	Total Consec Abs	Club	Present	Abs	Total # Abs	Total Consec Abs	Club
Χ				Anaheim Jr. Ducks	X		1		Los Angeles Jr. Kings
Х		1		Aliso Viejo Avalanche	Х				OC Hockey Club
Х			2	Bakersfield Jr. Condors	Х			3	Ontario Moose
Х				Bay Harbor Red Wings		Х			Pasadena Maple Leafs
Х				California Bears	Х				San Diego Ice Arena
Х				California Gold Rush	Х		1		San Diego Jr. Gulls
	Х	4	3	California Heat	Х				San Diego Saints
Х				California Wave	Х				Santa Barbara Ice Hawks
Х				Coachella Valley	Х				Santa Clarita Jr. Flyers
Х				Empire Hockey Club	Х		1		Ventura Mariners/Titans
Х				Jr. Reign Hockey Club					

Dave Bigelow called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Dave Bigelow confirmed that there are eighteen presidents in attendance on the conference call therefore a quorum present.

### **Minutes**

Joel Henderson motioned to approve the November 8, 2023, minutes as presented and Trevor Wada seconds it.

(motion **PASSED**)

<u>Guest</u>

Louis Magnifico LAHOA President

Dan Ellison Pacific District Referee-in-Chief

### LAHOA Report

Dave Bigelow informed the board that we will need to review the LAHOA Contract / rates for an increase in rates for next season.

Louis Magnifico stated that of the 100 new officials that sign up each year only 30 remain to complete all requirements. They have about 425 registered officials that are in good standing. LAHOA held nine (9) Level 1 Referee Seminars this year. They had 925 officials registered in their 2023-2024 referee seminars.

Rosemary Voulelikas asked if LAHOA would consider holding supplemental training for their officials with regards to incident report writing and the proper selection of the rule

infraction number. Currently, it is very time consuming having to go back to the officials to ask them what they meant and if they needed to correct their incident report with the proper rule number infraction. The officiating pool is bottom heavy, meaning that it is comprised mostly of inexperienced officials and additional education seminars targeting incident report writing would be beneficial.

# **Treasurer Report**

Helen Alex shared the P & L Financial Statements for the period ending December 29, 2023, with the presidents. Helen informed the presidents that there are three clubs that still need to pay the player fees. Part 2 of the player fee invoices will go out next week with payment due upon receipt. There are still expense items missing from the financial statements, notably, the SCAHA Select Camp jerseys and reimbursements. And finally, there are three SCAHA Financial Assistance Awards that clubs have not received, and she needs to track them down and re-issue if needed.

# Commissioner's Report & Ice Convener Report

Dave Bigelow reminded the presidents that we have that emergency weekend of February 25<sup>th</sup> where games can be rescheduled to if needed. Dave stated that there are a few games he still needs to tweak, and some have to do with miscommunication between Dave and the club.

## **Deputy Commissioner Report**

Rosemary Voulelikas reported that approximately 158 SCAHA Financial Assistance applications were reviewed. Ten (10) applications were disqualified based on players being either dropped from their respective roster or an in-house player. The total amount of SCAHA Financial Assistance distributed to families was \$68,125. This represents 50% of the 2022-2023 player fees collected.

Rosemary Voulelikas informed the board of the venues awarded SCAHA Playoffs.

Quarter-Finals		Teams
March 2-3, 2024		
Paramount	10UB Flight I	8
Pickwick	10UB Flight II	6
Yorba Linda	10UBB	8
Simi Valley	10UA	8
LA Kings Valley Ice	12UB	8
Riverside	12UBB	8
Lakewood	12UA	8
KHS	14UB	6
Santa Barbara	14UA	8

Semi-Finals

March 9-10, 2024

Valencia

**Finals** 

March 16-17, 2024

Anaheim

The notifications to the successful bids will go out this month complete with an agreement document.

## Statistician Report

Rob Foster reported on the SCAHA Select Camp. Rob acknowledged and thanked Bridget Hopkinson for the coordination of a highly successful camp. A similar skill set of the candidates made the task of selecting the top candidates easier. The only drawback was the shortened team benches because of injured players. We may want to look at creating a wait list for next time.

Unlike other affiliates, California is one of the few affiliates where its players have a three (3) step process to the USA Hockey National Select Festival: League Pre-Select Camps (SCAHA & NorCal); CAHA Select Camp; and Pacific District Camp. The Pacific District is asking CAHA to review its process and to condense its camps to one state camp.

# **Member Services Report**

Nancy Hodge confirmed that she tabulated Part 2 of the player fees and sent them to Helen Alex for invoicing.

Nancy Hodge informed the presidents that credentialing for SCAHA A/BB/B teams will occur approximately two weeks prior to the SCAHA playoffs March 2-3, 2024. Nancy will review the scoresheets online. The regular season games (15 or 16 games) fall short of the USA Hockey playing rule requirement of 10/20 (#10 games played by each player / #20 total games played by team) so it is imperative that teams get their tournament scoresheets uploaded so that players can get credit for playing in tournament games with their regular season teams. Rob Foster added that he was extremely pleased to see that Nancy's website management ideas that he implemented worked and so far to date, we have had only one illegal coach on a game bench.

There were 10,000 coaches across the affiliates needing CEP certifications and clinics were set up in the last week of December, with two clinics nightly for coaches to get their required CEP levels.

### **Mite Director Report**

Dave Bigelow reported on behalf of Jim Burcar who is absent. The third leg of the 8U scheduling for the months of January-February was created. The last weekend of play is February 11, 2024. Please check the LAHOA TTS official schedule to make sure all games have officials. For Mites turning into Squirts, the end of the SCAHA / USA Hockey playing season is April 30, 2024. An "End of Season Free and Clear Release" from the home club of record will be needed until the end of April for those players whose team's season has ended and will be joining Spring Hockey teams.

### **Director of Managers**

No report at this time. Monica Gordon is absent.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm Next meeting Wednesday, February 14, 2024, by teleconferencing.