



SCAHA MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 April 30, 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); Monica Gordon (Director); Olivia Meyer (Social Director); Byron Williams (Director); and Jim Burcar (Mite Director).

MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present	Abs	Total # Abs	Total Consec Abs	Club	Present	Abs	Total # Abs	Total Consec Abs	Club
X				Anaheim Jr. Ducks	X		2		Los Angeles Jr. Kings
X		1		Aliso Viejo Avalanche	X				OC Hockey Club
X			2	Bakersfield Jr. Condors		X	4	3	Ontario Moose
X				Bay Harbor Red Wings	X				Pasadena Maple Leafs
X		1		California Bears	X				San Diego Ice Arena
X				California Gold Rush	X		1		San Diego Jr. Gulls
X		5	2	California Heat	X		1		San Diego Saints
X		1		California Wave	X				Santa Barbara Ice Hawks
X				Coachella Valley	X				Santa Clarita Jr. Flyers
X				Empire Hockey Club	X		1		Ventura Mariners/Titans
	X			Jr. Reign Hockey Club					

Dave Bigelow called the meeting to order at 7:02 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 March 13, 2024, minutes as presented, and Claudia Pearson seconds it.

(motion **PASSED**)

Guest

Louis Magnifico	LAHOA President
Christopher Hathaway	CAHA Youth Council Chair
Thomas Hancock	CAHA President

LAHOA Report

Louis Magnifico informed the board that USA Hockey is changing the requirements for Level 1 Officials. The Level 1 Officiating Clinics will no longer have an on-ice component during their seminars. Rosemary Voulelikas asked Louis if it were possible to get a 2023-2024 season officiating report. The report should include the number of officials working for SCAHA. It should indicate their Levels and which age divisions they worked. The report should also be able to report on entry level officials and minors. Dave Bigelow suggested preparing a frequency graph, e.g., a histogram that would show the number of officials per their Levels versus the age divisions they worked on.

Treasurer Report

Dave Bigelow shared the P & L Financial Statements with the presidents for the period ending March 29, 2024. Helen Alex stated that the SCAHA Select Camp still has the same outstanding expenses for jerseys, cinch bags, etc. Rosemary Voulelikas added that there are Post Season expenses not reflected in the P & L Report; they are LAHOA fees and wearables income. Dave Bigelow presented all the bank balances for the checking, savings, and the Money Market accounts. Dave Bigelow advised the presidents that next season, the SCAHA Player fee will be \$40 per player rostered on a team. Dave Bigelow instructed Helen Alex and Rosemary Voulelikas to investigate the Money Market account and to report back in 60 days.

Commissioner's Report & Ice Convener Report

Dave Bigelow reminded the board that LAHOA is proposing a \$10 increase across the board (each official for each age division) for the 2024-2025 season and nothing beyond this year. Jason Galea motioned to amend the existing LAHOA contract to allow for a \$10 increase for each official for each age division for the 2024-2025 season in lieu of the amounts stipulated in the approved 2024-2025 LAHOA contract. Henderson seconds it. Discussion followed. Jim Burcar asked where the problem was. If the problem lies with the single game fee, then Jim suggested we look at increasing the single game rate. "Let's review the fees table and come up with a floor rate so that we can provide some consistency." Dave Bigelow suggested that both himself and Jim look at producing a graduated scale for the officiating rates including the single game fee. Jason Galea amended his motion to table the motion and Joel Henderson seconds it.

Dave Bigelow presented the draft proposal of the 2024-2025 SCAHA Calendar. Dave stated that the season calendar is subject to change based on CAHA's approved calendar.

Dave Bigelow shared the 12UAA Proposed Format email that was distributed earlier in the day to the presidents.

April 30, 2024 Email: Peewee AA Options

The goal is to advance the best two teams to states, BUT we want to promote an AA atmosphere, where teams are working and skating and going to play tournaments against out of state teams - or to work on skills.

Here would be the format:

- 1) Break the division into two and rank them as good as possible strongest to weakest*
- 2) Do a round robin set of games within the division*
- 3) By Turkey Day round robins completed - we select the top 4 from each division.*
- 4) The top 4 from each division combine and will then play each other once for seeding and all will advance to the postseason.*
- 5) They play. a normal SCAHA post season for a SCAHA championship - and then the top two go to states.*

The goal is to get your team into crossover play, and then become the top two teams in the end.

- 6) For the teams that do not make it, they are pooled together and will play each other in the second half of the season.*

Rosemary Voulelikas stated that for the 12UAA division, SCAHA would be sending its top four (4) teams and NORCAL would be sending its top two (2) teams to states. Dave Bigelow added that for item #3, there could be flexibility by selecting the top six (6) teams from each subdivision. The result of a straw poll was that all agreed to relax item #3 above. Further discussion tabled to next SCAHA Board Meeting.

Deputy Commissioner Report

Rosemary Voulelikas stated that the SCAHA Rules Committee will be on May 19, 2024, at 10:30 am. Both Dave Bigelow, SCAHA Commissioner and Rosemary Voulelikas, SCAHA Deputy Commissioner's term of office is up for election this year. Nominations are open for both positions. For clarification, candidates cannot hold elected or paid positions within individual member clubs. Dave Bigelow is running for SCAHA Commissioner and Rosemary Voulelikas is running for Deputy Commissioner.

There are 13 candidates running for a CAHA Director position. Nine of the 13 candidates are from SoCal. The CAHA Elections are during CAHA's Annual Meeting on June 22, 2024.

Member Services Report

Dave Bigelow reminded the presidents that Nancy Hodge has retired as SCAHA's Member Services. We have a couple of people to do the job for this season; however, we do need to work on finding a permanent solution.

Statistician Report

Rob Foster reported that he spoke with John Silberstein, the USA Hockey Pacific District Risk Manager, and all scorekeepers must be compliant with USAH Volunteer Membership, SafeSport and screening. Rob stated that he is working on solutions for those venues that do not allow non-employee scorekeepers to cross the ice to get to the scorekeeper box. Rob reported that the SCAHA LOI will be ready by May 15, 2024; if not sooner.

Mite Director Report

Jim Burcar reminded the presidents that there is no 8U Team fee. Furthermore, Clubs need to provide three (3) 1.5-hour ice slots for each 8U team they field and there is no end of season 8U tournament. And finally, Jim reminded the presidents that there will not be a preseason this year. Jim urged the presidents to take their time in fielding teams at the appropriate level.

Director of Managers

Monica Gordon informed the board that the SCAHA College Scholarship will be posted soon on the SCAHA website. Please remind your aged out 18U players heading off to post-secondary education to apply. There are two scholarships available and the deadline to apply is June 1st.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Next meeting Wednesday, May 22, 2024, by teleconferencing.