



SCAHA MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 April 10, 2019
 THE RINKS at LAKEWOOD

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PRESENT

Dave Bigelow (Commissioner), Rosemary Voulelikas (Deputy Commissioner), Rob Foster (Statistician), Todd Thomasy (Treasurer), Nancy Hodge (Member Services), Bridget Hopkinson (Director) and Monica Gordon (Social Media 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(on call)		1		Los Angeles Jr. Kings
	X	3		Bakersfield Condors	X				OC Hockey Club
X				Bay Harbor Red Wings	X(on call)		1		Ontario Moose
X		1		California Bears	X				Pasadena Maple Leafs
X(on call)		1		California Gold Rush	X		1		San Diego Ice Arena
X(on call)		2		California Heat	X(on call)		1		San Diego Jr. Gulls
X		1		California Wave	X(on call)		2		San Diego Saints
X(on call)		2		Desert Blaze	X(on call)		1		Santa Barbara Ice Hawks
X				Empire Hockey Club	X				Valencia Jr. Flyers
X		3		Ice Dogs	X(on call)		2		Ventura Mariners/Titans
X				Jr. Reign Hockey Club					

Dave Bigelow called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Dave Bigelow confirmed that there are eleven presidents in attendance and nine presidents on conference call therefore a quorum present.

Guest

Louis Magnifico LAHOA Vice President

Minutes

Correction to March 6, 2019 minutes presented; under Minutes section, 10UBB needs to be corrected to 10UB. Robert Field motioned to approve the March 6, 2019 minutes as amended and Ben Frank seconds it.

(motion **PASSED**)

LAHOA Report

Louis Magnifico informed the board that LAHOA will be sending officials to San Jose for the A/BB/B CAHA State Finals and will be working the CAHA State Tier II Finals.

Treasurer's Report

Todd Thomasy distributed the April 10, 2019 Financial Statements to the board. Finances are in great shape. Todd is still waiting for a few clubs to submit their final 8U invoices. Those outstanding 8U Jamboree locations are: Yorba Linda, Riverside, Anaheim, Lakewood and Simi Valley.

Rosemary Voulelikas stated that per our bylaws, Article 13.1 and 13.2, whenever there is a change of treasurer, a financial audit needs to be performed. Dave Bigelow stated that he will appoint a committee of three to perform the audit.

Commissioner's Report

Dave Bigelow distributed to the board his proposed LAHOA rates via email April 10, 2019. *"As you know, I believe absolutely that our focus has to remain on providing the best experience for our teams - our sole focus is to promote and grow youth hockey in Southern California. In short, we invest time and money into the lower divisions, so that overtime, we see growth return to all levels. We made a few key decisions last year with mites in terms of game format, boards for all, consistency in scheduling, and set the rates for our officials - from \$25 to \$40 per event. These were measured changes that made a world of difference on the plus side.*

*It's now time to apply a similar approach to the other divisions. What is detailed in the attached is a \$4 bump for all positions or a \$12 dollar increase per game. For a typical team that has 15 players, that equates to \$8 per player for the entire season. If **everyone** bumps up dues by \$10, it's a wash. I am recommending a straight bump of \$4 to start uplifting the lower divisions as a percentage. Over time it uplifts the younger divisions.*

For squirts, it's slightly different. I propose we take the same approach as we did for mites. This is where we need to invest the most. For squirts, I recommend a \$7 bump for head ref, and a \$5 bump for each linesperson or \$17 in total per game. This brings everyone at this level in line with Mites as a whole. For an average squirt team of 13 players, it's about \$13 per player more in dues. If everyone bumps up their squirt dues by \$15, it's a wash. The rationale here is the same as the Mite approach, we want to encourage a mix of more experienced officials mentoring newer officials, and we want to place more value on providing the best experience possible for our squirt division. This is where all our future growth comes from.

If you break down a typical squirt game today, this is what you are looking at:

- 1) ICE - typical cost \$675*
- 2) Coaches \$150-\$200 - (two teams worth) most likely clocking in at around \$100 per team, give or take.*
- 3) Officials \$90 (for three people)*

But when you look at the cost breakdown of a game, it is consistently the least compensated position of our product. The economic model does not support what we are trying to do. I have been in this league for a long time. In that time, we constantly place a high emphasis on ensuring LAHOA delivers their best for all our games. We talk a lot about how we need to improve levels, and what needs to happen to get some traction on officiating, and then we put the screws to the rates because it's the easiest thing to attack and manage, while the harder objectives fade away.

What this means to a parent? For parents about \$2 more in dues per month.

What this means to an official? For officials that go to a rink and work three games or more games on a weekend - it's a full tank of gas covered every month, or its picking a squirt game to mentor new people w/o having to think too hard about what is lost - and it may make an official choose to stick it out a little longer when experiencing a troublesome game or two.

What this means to us? It underscores our commitment to grow and foster our young players, and officials, and promotes good will between our respective organizations, especially at the Squirt levels.” (see proposed LAHOA Rates below).

Discussion followed to have SCAHA provide scholarship (LAHOA seminar fees & registration) for aging out SCAHA players who have played 3-4 years with SCAHA and who are interested in becoming a LAHOA referee as well as, to use SCAHA funds to promote mentoring and supervision of officials for all SCAHA games.

Age Classification	Total	Referee	Linesman
8U	\$40 per 1.5hr	\$40	N/A
10U	\$107	\$43	\$32
12U	\$111	\$43	\$34
14U	\$122	\$50	\$36
16U/18U	\$142	\$56	\$43
12UAA	\$122	\$50	\$36
12U AAA	\$124	\$50	\$37
14U AA	\$142	\$56	\$43
14U AAA	\$133	\$55	\$39
16U/18U AA	\$151	\$61	\$45
16U/18U AAA	\$215	\$85	\$65

AAA rates stay the same

Robert Field motioned to approve the LAHOA rates as proposed and Alex Owens seconds it. Result of vote: 19Y and 1N.

(motion **PASSED**)

Dave Bigelow stated that he will work with LAHOA to finalize the above as well as the balance of the LAHOA contract.

Dave would like to form a committee for growing LAHOA and asked Ben Frank to chair it. In addition, Dave informed the board that the SCAHA Rules committee is meeting on May 4, 2019 starting at 10 am at Bridget’s home. Furthermore, the deadline for the CAHA Nominations for the upcoming CAHA Director elections is April 22, 2019.

Dave Bigelow spoke about the inclusion of the 11UAAA and 13UAAA SCAHA teams in the SCAHA schedule as exhibition games. It will not be mandatory for clubs to participate. The exhibition game schedule may also include games amongst the AAA teams themselves. Dave will need the schedules of those AAA teams in order to draft up a schedule.

Deputy Commissioner’s Report

Rosemary Voulelikas reported that the SCAHA playoffs were very successful and thanked all of the host venues for their participation and support.

Rosemary Voulelikas spoke about season ending games where players receive a game

misconduct. Those game misconducts will need to be served in the first game of the upcoming SCAHA season which includes preseason games.

Ice Convener report

Dave Bigelow stated no report at this time. Ice slots are due to the league by August 1st.

Statistician Report

Rob Foster informed the board he is working on updating the SCAHA web site, LOI process, mobile friendly, etc., and will activate it by May 1st. He will then email all the clubs including the registrars. Rob will be sending out the playmaker, shutout, etc., patches starting May 1, 2019. In addition, Rob is working on producing a report to assist in the forecasting of teams/divisions.

Member Services Report

Nancy Hodge reminded the presidents that the letters to delinquent families need to be sent by April 15 with a copy to Nancy.

Nancy Hodge informed the board of the upcoming CEP Coaching Clinics. (see table below)

Day	Date	Level	Location	Status	Misc
Sun	4/14/19	1	Great Park, Irvine	confirmed	
Sun	6/23/19	1	Valencia	confirmed	
Sun	6/23/19	3	Valencia	confirm	Goalie clinic?
Sat	7/27/19	1	Great Park, Irvine	confirmed	
Sat	7/27/19	2	Great Park, Irvine	confirmed	
Sun	7/28/19	3	Great Park, Irvine	confirmed	Goalie clinic?
Sat	8/17/19	1	San Diego, Kroc Center	waiting confirm	
Sun	8/18/19	2	San Diego, Kroc Center	waiting confirm	
Sat	8/24/19	1	Rinks Lakewood	confirmed	
Sun	8/25/19	2	Rinks Lakewood	confirmed	
Sat	9/14/19	1	San Diego, Kroc Center	waiting confirm	
Sun	9/15/19	3	San Diego, Kroc Center	waiting confirm	Goalie clinic?
Sat	9/21/19	1	Goleta	confirmed	
Sat	9/21/19	3	Goleta	confirmed	

Student Coaches must **audit** a Level 1 CEP Coaching Clinic, **at no cost to the student coaches. The cost for adult Coaches that need CEP Level 1 Clinics is \$45 and the cost of the modules is \$10.**

Scholastic Financial Assistance

Monica Gordon informed the board that the application for the Scholastic Financial Assistance will be posted shortly on the SCAHA web site. The amount awarded is \$1500 and there are three scholarships available. Please make sure to send to your qualifying

aged out Midget players. The deadline is May 15, 2019.

Mite Director Report

Jim Burcar reported that the 8U format for all 8U division will be a 4-Team format. The cost for 8U for all divisions will remain the same at \$2400 per team. As for reimbursements for 8U jamborees, SCAHA will cut a check once a month to those hosting clubs.

Meeting adjourned 8:47 pm.

Next meeting Wednesday May 8, 2019 at The Rinks-Lakewood.