



**SCAHA MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
 August 10, 2022  
 TELECONFERENCE CALL

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PRESENT**

Dave Bigelow (Commissioner); Rosemary Voulelikas (Deputy Commissioner); Nancy Hodge (Member Services); Bridget Hopkinson (Director); Jim Burcar (Mite Director); Monica Gordon (Social Media Director); Rob Foster, Statistician; and Todd Thomasy, (Director at Large).

**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   | 1           |                  | Los Angeles Jr. Kings    |
| X       |     | 1           | 1                | Bakersfield Condors   | X       |     |             |                  | OC Hockey Club           |
| X       |     |             |                  | Bay Harbor Red Wings  | X       |     |             |                  | Ontario Moose            |
| X       |     |             |                  | California Bears      | X       |     |             |                  | Pasadena Maple Leafs     |
| X       |     | 1           | 1                | California Gold Rush  | X       |     |             |                  | San Diego Ice Arena      |
| X       |     |             |                  | California Heat       | X       |     |             |                  | San Diego Jr. Gulls      |
| X       |     |             |                  | California Wave       | X       |     |             |                  | San Diego Saints         |
| X       |     |             |                  | Desert Blaze          | X       |     |             |                  | Santa Barbara Ice Hawks  |
| X       |     |             |                  | Empire Hockey Club    | X       |     |             |                  | Santa Clarita Jr. Flyers |
| X       |     |             |                  | Ice Dogs              | X       |     |             |                  | Ventura Mariners/Titans  |
| X       |     |             |                  | Jr. Reign Hockey Club |         |     |             |                  |                          |

Dave Bigelow called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. Dave Bigelow confirmed that there are eighteen presidents in attendance on the conference call therefore a quorum present.

**Minutes**

Michael Santiago motioned to approve the June 15, 2022 minutes as presented and Tony Witt seconds it. (motion **PASSED**)

**Guest**

Louis Magnifico LAHOA President

**LAHOA Report**

Louis Magnifico reported that LAHOA has a new payroll system in place that they hired outside of LAHOA. For those clubs that are interested in using LAHOA's payroll, please email Louis Magnifico. Louis stated that they have received the schedule and are in the process of reviewing it. To date, LAHOA has completed hosting four seminars all of which were relatively successful. A total of 39 new officials registered for Saturday's Lakewood Seminar. Norm Kitano will be the referee scheduler for the KHS rink.

**Treasurer Report**

Dave Bigelow reported on behalf of Helen Alex who is absent. Dave reminded the board that the 8U Team fees will no longer be collected and that the staff stipends (Member Services and Statistician/Webmaster) have increased by \$250/month. Dave Bigelow stated that he will send out the 2022-2023 SCAHA Budget for an email vote. The LAHOA rates as previously discussed are as follows (see Chart below). The only correction is that

the 8U officiating fees are \$57.

| Level       | Referee    | Linesperson |
|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 8U          | \$57       |             |
| 10U A/B     | \$47       | \$36        |
| 12U A/B     | \$47       | \$38        |
| 12U AA      | \$54       | \$40        |
| 12U AAA     | \$60       | \$47        |
| 14U A/B     | \$54       | \$40        |
| 14U AA      | \$60       | \$47        |
| 14U AAA     | \$65       | \$49        |
| 16U/18U A   | \$60       | \$47        |
| 16U/18U AA  | \$66       | \$49        |
| 16U/18U AAA | \$100      | \$80        |
| Scheduling  | \$120 Club |             |

Lance Mehegan motioned to approved the LAHOA increase and Howard Drymon seconds it. (motion **PASSED**)

### **Commissioner's Report**

Dave Bigelow stated that he will be appointing Monica Gordon as the SCAHA manager of Managers and Bridget Hopkinson will be appointed as Executive Assistant. Bridget will continue as Co-Manager of Managers until such time that Monica is comfortable in her new position. Dave Bigelow added that he has a new person in mind for the SCAHA Social Media Director position. Dave reminded the presidents that the August 15<sup>th</sup> deadline for AA/AAA PDR and minimum roster requirements are soon approaching. If teams do not meet the minimum requirements then they will lose their AA/AAA status. And finally, Dave Bigelow advised the presidents that scheduling a zoom Managers' meeting is very challenging with a lot of information for the managers to digest. This year, SCAHA will be creating a Slack channel for managers. SCAHA's goal is to educate the managers throughout the season by providing them a channel to address their questions and/or concerns.

### **Member Services Report**

Nancy Hodge stated that the CAHA President has been asking her to update the number of rostered players for the AA and AAA rosters. Unfortunately, these numbers are not exactly 100% accurate because she bases it on the LOI's generated. And as we know, not all LOI's that are generated transition to a roster spot. Right now, there are issues regarding the uploading of completed SafeSport Training. For those club registrars having issues, send a screen shot of the completed training to Nancy. CAHA is asking for the Tier rosters. If there is an issue with coaches and/or managers for your rosters, please precede to rostering a temporary coach and/or manager so that the rosters can be reviewed and subsequently approved. Reminder, there are no Labor Day Tournament rosters per CAHA's new rule. All teams attending Labor Day Tournaments must do so with their Regular Season rosters. And finally, for players who played in out of state programs, a financial free and clear from their previous home club of record is required.

### **Deputy Commissioner Report**

Rosemary Voulelikas recapped the results of the CAHA voting. Out of the nine (9)

available director positions, four candidates from SCAHA were elected for 2-year terms and two candidates from SCAHA were selected to complete 1-year terms to fill vacated director spots. The composition of the CAHA Board which includes the automatic director positions for the SCAHA Commissioner and NORCAL President is even split; 10 from SCAHA and ten from NORCAL. Rosemary Voulelikas informed the board that the Applications for the SCAHA Financial Assistance Program will be posted on the SCAHA web site shortly. The deadline to submit applications is October 15, 2022. The SCAHA Guidebook will be updated with the new rules soon and will be posted on the web site as well. And finally, CAHA is requiring that all clubs submit the names of their SafeSport Coordinator. The deadline was in June, we still have a few clubs that have yet to submit.

### **Ice Convener Report**

Dave Bigelow reported that for now the ice slots submitted look good. Please provide Dave your feedback regarding any issues you may have.

Frank Versa informed the presidents that Simi Valley is interested in hosting an 8U End of Season Jamboree. If interested, please send Frank Aversa an email stating same. Deadline to submit your interest is October 15, 2022.

Dave Bigelow stated that we have two Midget 16UA teams declared. Dave's thoughts with regards to this are to schedule about six games during the season. The teams can travel to tournaments as well. We would still have a SCAHA Championship for this division. Dave would like some feedback regarding after the CAHA AA Preseason. Christian Gregory from Bakersfield Jr. Condors stated if it could be possible to schedule a couple of jamborees with the seven NORCAL Midget 16UA teams. Howard Drymon of Ontario Moose is in support of this idea. Daniel Donovam of Bay Harbor Red Wings asked if it is possible to schedule games with High School teams. Bryce Wendel of Santa Barbara Ice Hawks added that they are all in for going up north as well as hosting down here.

### **Statistician Report**

Rob Foster informed the board that he has been working on materials/resources for Team Managers which include but are not limited to; filling out the pre-printed scoresheets, printing of scoresheets, entering completed game stats and submitting tournament and/or exhibition game requests for approval.

### **Mite Director Report**

Jim Burcar advised the board that the 8U numbers are lower this season. This division was hit hard as a result of Covid. Currently we have 17 x 8UA teams, 29 x 8UB teams and zero 8UC Gretzky teams. Jim stated that he has emailed the 8U playing guidelines to all of the team managers as well as the officials. The protocols for sign-in scoresheet guidelines are included. And finally, please forward these guidelines to your team coaches as well as posting these guidelines in the referee's room and scorekeeper box at each of your rinks. Jim Burcar stated that if clubs have an interest in 8UC Gretzky teams and if there is a core group of teams interested, then SCAHA can make that division happen.

### **Director of Managers**

Monica Gordon reported that the presidents voted via email on July 31, 2022 to award three College Scholarships. The awardees are: Dylan Butler of OCHC 18UAA, Julian Ananyev of Wave 18UAAA and Jaden Lee of Wave 18UAAA 2021-2022 teams. Monica stated that we are waiting for swag from the NHL Ducks at this time. Each awardee will receive \$2000 towards their college expenses.

### **New Business**

Geoff Leibl raised the issue with the CAHA AA weekends and how 25 of the 35 weekends are all up north and that we should find a different solution. Stacy Witt, representing Anaheim Jr. Ducks, stated that there isn't enough ice available for bidding at smaller rinks to host one division. Tony Witt added that maybe the way to go is to put out the Request to Bid out earlier than May so that ice can be booked a year in advance. Geoff Leibl recommended that a small committee should be formed to look into this issue. Dave Bigelow asked for volunteers. The committee will be chaired by Geoff Leibl and will be made up of the following volunteers; Ben Frank, Stacy Witt, Daniel Donovan, Michael Santiago, Lance Mehegan and Christian Gregory. The committee will review and present to the board their proposal(s) within three months or so at the January 2023 SCAHA Board meeting. Dave added that the goal is to try and keep the cost for CAHA AA weekends down.

### **SCAHA Select Camp**

Bridget Hopkinson reported that the registrations for the SCAHA Pre-Select camp are now open. The deadline to submit same is September 10, 2022. The birth years competing this year are 2009, 2008, 2007 and 2006 birth year players that play at the "A" or higher levels and are US Citizens. Bridget added that she has asked the CAHA president to reach out to USA Hockey in order to have them send it out to the respective age appropriate players from their data base.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm

Next meeting Wednesday, September 14, 2022 by teleconferencing.