



Northern California Junior Hockey Association Board Meeting

August 28th, 2021 @ 10:00am –Via ZOOM

Meeting called to order @ 10:03am by Dan Granata. Quorum was determined. Introductions made.
Approval of July Minutes- Motion made to approve July minutes by Alison Bailey, second by Jason Stiles.
Minutes approved.

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Club or Roll	In Attendance
Dan Granata	NORCAL President	X
Laura Cahn	NORCAL General Manager	X
Suzanne Spradling	NORCAL Vice President	X
Dana Olenak	NORCAL Secretary	X
Robert Grande	NORCAL Treasurer	X
Tyler Shaffar	NORCAL Scheduler	X
Chris Hathaway	NORCAL Member-at-Large	
Billy Durrett	NORCAL Goalie Development	X
Teresa Attebery	PACIFIC DISTRICT/ Roster Manager	X
Darren Attebery	NORCAL Mite Coordinator	X
Andy Dickerson	NORCAL Webmaster	X
Mark Mauro	NORCAL Referee-in-Chief	X
	NORCAL SafeSport	
	NORCAL Director of Coaches	
Bill Palter	NORHOA President	X
Chris Hathaway/Teresa Attebery	Cupertino - President	X
Rick Lemon	Fresno – President	X
Alison Bailey/Hannah Hannon	Black Stars -President	X
Chi Tse/Thomas Eidt	Oakland Club President	X
Jason Stiles	Roseville Capital Thunder - President	X
Scott Roberts	Santa Clara – President	X
Robert Savoie/Shane	San Jose - President / Proxy	X
Chris Petrus	Santa Rosa Club President	X
Blaine Muchart	Stockton –President	X
Stacey Gunderson	Tahoe Grizzlies -President	X
Cameron Higley	Tri-Valley - President	X
George Caliendo/Mark Pirie	San Francisco - President	X
Larry Cahn /Arron Ross	Vacaville Jets-President	X
William Stone	GSE	X

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Tom Hancock-CAHA President
Derek Eisler -Stockton
Frank Castronovo-Santa Clara
Karen Hacket- SJJIS

PRESIDENT –Dan Granata

- **GOOGLE DOC-** Thanks to all for filing out your rinks COVID protocols. Doc will be posted and updated regularly. We are doing our best to give you a season. NORCAL is the facilitator of your hockey games/rules only. NORCAL/CAHA does not have the ability to change rink policies etc. Scheduling is going to be a nightmare, will try to cluster games together. We have the availability of approx. 7 venues for games daily-to work with the available referees.
- **SEASON DISCUSSION-** Working to give you a “normal” as possible season. Coaches need to remind their P & Q’s to keep from running off new young officials. Chasing them away will only hurt the league/teams. Looking int the USA Hockey posters for rinks to post reminding spectators of their behavior matters with respect to the officials.
- We will address teams on a case by case basis if some clubs loose teams or fall below the minimum number of players with no penalties.
- If you have to forfeit a game due to no vax/sick, try to reschedule the game for when all are better etc. if you are unable, there will be no penalty. This doesn’t apply if you just want to only go to certain rinks.
- If kids drop off a team, there is a waiver for teams that don’t meet the minimum requirements. Om discussed the CAHA rule and said Youth Council would be very flexible with waivers.
- Remember each circumstance is different but CAHA/NORCAL’s goals are to keep kids in the game. Please communicate what you need and we will do our best to accommodate your teams.
- This season especially teams, clubs, coaches as well as parents need to be flexible.

GM UPDATES-Laura Cahn

- Placement Committee: Tyler (scheduler), Dan/Laura(admin), Chris Hathaway, Allie Bailey, Larry Cahn. IS anyone else interested? Could use another person. Please email Laura Cahn if interested.
- Even with the uncertainly this season and preparing for the best case scenario , we still need to prepare for playoffs. Please send in your bid packets for playoffs. Have only received 1 thus far.
- **Tri Valley Girls teams 12U and 14U has requested to play down as an exhibition team. Motion made to allow Tri Valley girls 12U to play in 10U and 14U to play in 12U as long as placement committee has placed them correctly, by Cameron Higley and second by William Stone. Motion passed.**

FINANCIALS-Robert Grande

- **BUDGET-** Reviewed budget, No questions from membership.
 - **Motion made to accept budget as is by Chi Tse, second by Mike Harder. Motion passed.**

REGISTRAR UPDATES- Teresa Attebery-

- NO REPORT

BILL PALTER/NORHOA/OFFICIAL SHORTAGES-

- Officiating staff very limited this season. We currently have 105 referees listed, with 35 vaccinated.
- William Stone asked if there was any acceptable incentive to offer he officials to come back and join NORHOA? Bill has addressed. There are many reasons beside pay like moved, abuse, no vax or don’t want to skate in masks-too hard with COVID protocols. Working on incentives to do more games. Will discuss with TH.
- Suggestion made to have a referee monitor to help deal with parent/ref issues.
- Chris Petrus relayed that the USA HOCKEY (Ref) website is very hard to maneuver. Bill agrees website is a disaster this year. Working on the NORHOA website to have all the information available there.

- Chi made the suggestion to have the coaches become officials and ref the game before their game to help out with officials shortages. Maybe NORCAL can pay for the registration fees for the coaches to get officials card?
- Tyler condensing the season to make scheduling ref's easier.
- According to Mike Mauro, SOCAL I having officials shortages as well although not quite as dire as NORCAL. Looks like availability of officials to share with NORCAL this season will be slim.
- MOST LIKELY WILL NOT BE DOING X GAMES THIS SEASON DUE TO OFFICIATING SHORTAGE. As the season progresses, we will revisit.

MITE JAMBOREE-Darren Attebery-

- Mite Jamboree recommended dates:
 - Livermore 10/23/2021
 - Stockton 12/4/2021
 - South Lake Tahoe 1/22/2022-1/23/2022
 - Livermore 2/26/2022
- **Motion made to accept the Mite Jamboree dates/locations listed above by Blaine Machart, second by Scott Roberts. Motion passed.**
- Need to really follow up/update on COVID policies before each Jamboree. Club please make sure to do this to avoid any additional problems.

TYLER SHAFFAR-

- Let your teams know the status of X games.
- Games will be releasing differently this season. Most likely will be week by week for a while. Then, hopefully, 2-3 weeks at a time. I know this is not ideal, but due to limitations this season we are unable to release full schedules.

BILLY DURETT/Goalie Development

- Holding Bronze level goal tending clinic in December (coaches). Please join to learn more about goalie training.
- If any club would like to discuss 1 on 1 training to improve your goalie training program, please reach out to me.
- I am available to help you set up "Try Goalie Corner" program during your try hockey program.
- Billy's contact info: unbillyavble@gmail.com

OLD BUSINESS

- Hockey goalie page on NORCAL website.

NEW BUSINESS

Closing

Meeting adjourned @ 11:15am.

Next Meeting Date:

- TBD via ZOOM. Dana to send out meeting details.