

NORCAL Hockey Board Sign-In Sheet
July 20 Annual Meeting

Melissa Fitzgerald	NORCAL President	p
Jeff Blair	NORCAL VP	
Joanne Holder	NORCAL Secretary/Fresno Pres.	p
Lori Dang	NORCAL Treasurer	P
Chuck Collins	NORCAL Scheduler/webmaster/stats	p
Pete Toft	NORCAL M.A.L.	p
Fred Schmidt	NORCAL Gen. Manager	p
Michelle Dewyea	NORCAL Roster Manager	p
John Kuster	CAHA Director	
Mark Mauro	NORCAL Referee In Chief	p
	NORCAL Director of Coaches	
Charles Idarola	NORCAL Penalty Review	
NORCAL Club Representatives		
Leisl Songer-Nelson	1. Berkeley Iceland	p
Patti Grandov	2. Belmont – President	p
Chris Hathaway	3. Cupertino Cougars (Vallco/ Bridgpt.)	p
Joanne Holder	4. Fresno	p
Mike Coger	5. High Sierra	
Bill Raimondi/Tim Rodden	6. Oakland Ice Center	p
David Kornowski	7. Roseville Skatetown	p
Joe Lundy	8. Santa Clara Pres.	p
Carla Dickerson	9. San Jose Jr. Sharks	p
Pete Toft	10.Santa Rosa Pres. / NORCAL M.A.L.	p
Mike Lamond	11.Stockton Colts - Pres	p
Jean Wright	12.Tri-Valley	p
Paul Swintenki	13.Yerba Buena	p
Dennis Sly	14. Vacaville	p
Others in attendance		
Fred Schmidt	NORCAL General Manager	p
Ruben Nieves	Positive Coaching Alliance	p
Mike Dewyea	GM-Skatetown	p

Minutes – NorCal Board Meeting – July 20, 2002

Motion to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Motion to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried

President Report- Melissa Fitzgerald presented Fred Schmidt, NorCal General Manager to NorCal Board. Fred states his previous experience as having been a coach, Member of NorCal Board, Member of the Referee Assoc. and Director of Minor Officials. His intentions will be to observe the Code of Conduct, to track and enforce penalties and to eliminate problem players. He also intends to visit, with prior notice to presidents, and attend NorCal games at all clubs to familiarize himself with NorCal hockey. Other than observing players, he will be focusing on activities and behavior of spectators in the stands. He will meet individually with each club president to discuss their current programs. Fred's temporary email is: Fsch103415@aol.com.

Vice Presidents Report – none

Treasurer Report – Lori Dang presented the projected 2002 – 03 budget for NorCal. She noted that the high printing costs for the 2001-02 season was due to the printing of a NorCal booklet, and not expected to repeat that expenditure this coming season, as the forms included in the booklet were to be posted on the NorCal website. It was also noted that the Selects Reimbursement went to players who went to Washington, and the Chicago Showcase funding is a reimbursement to CAHA. There was concern regarding the payment of this fee do to the limited participation of NorCal players. The proposed amount of \$1,500 for the Chicago Showcase was approved for budget purposes only, and Melissa F. will revisit the issue next meeting, the Chicago Showcase will be added to the agenda at the next meeting.

Motion to add to the budget a subsidy amount of \$3,500 for playoffs. By Chuck C., 2nd by Chris. Motion Carried.

Due to the new expense items added if General Manager, Scheduler, there was discussion that NorCal would take over the merchandising at the NorCal playoffs to supplement budget.

Motion to accept the budget with changes of \$3,500 for playoffs. Motion carried. 1 opposed.

Secretary's Report – none

Scheduler - Chuck Collins would like to get a new webserver, his proposal to be distributed via email. Communications between members and schedule to be managed by a web based tool that would general a receipt response with the ability to conduct structured votes on issues by current board. This would require a user-ID and password to access the account within the server. Chuck further encouraged all to read email frequently. Chuck also mentions, that any messages to be posted on the current website be sent on a plain text document.

Statistician- This position will be shared between Fred S. and Chuck C. They well discuss the details of the organization of this position together and bring details to the next meeting. Scoresheets will no longer be sent to Chuck, they will be sent to Fred.

CAHA Update – Biggest change will be Tier team scheduling. Said teams must schedule equally between NorCal and SoCal teams.

CAHA elected officials should be encouraged to attend the NorCal board meetings to further help them represent NorCal more appropriately.

Stop Patches on jerseys' will be required for all California players. Placement and information details to be included with the patch packages. Melissa will distribute.

CAHA had left a motion pending on bench clearing brawls for players leaving the bench to participate in altercations, to be a 30 day suspension and a \$250 per player/team fine. This motion was tabled until the September meeting.

AHOC – Mark Mauro – Referee clinics have been scheduled so far include, Dublin – 8/18, S.L.Tahoe (2) – 9/7 and 9/21, Santa Rosa and Roseville – 9/7, San Jose, BridgePoint and Fresno still pending. In response to inquiry regarding L4 clinics, there is generally only one held per year, and normally in SoCal or Las Vegas.

Mike Bruins is proposing to hold coaching clinics. Melissa to email further details.

Scholarship fund allocation position needs development. Lisle offered to put together a comprehensive guideline of procedures for applicants for the next meeting. She will also develop a form of standard of application.

Old Business

Motion to approve position of scheduler, the budget amount of a \$6,000 flat rate to be paid for position of scheduler. Motion carried.

Further discussion includes contacting Dick Coombs, league council, to inquire about the drawing up of a legal contract of specific terms in regards to positions of General Manager and Schedule, and to include specifics of appropriate tax forms for contracted work.

Appointed board positions to be continued, as follows: Roster Manager – Michelle Dewyea; Referee in Chief – Mark Mauro; Director of Coaches – open; Girls Hockey Chair – open.

NorCal will be dropping penalty review due to Vice President and General Manager coordinating as individuals as appropriate, as partial Statistician duties will go to Fred, as General Manager, however, Chuck will continue to post standings.

Positive Coaching Alliance – motion to accept Proposal A as presented by the PCA. Motion carried.

Midget Travel Division – Player placements, players wishing to play up to the next level has been waived, a NorCal play up form is still required. In regards to the California Select Camp, players appearing on a "B" Roster are not eligible to try out. This is not a policy that looks to be changed in the near future.

Mite Travel Division – A proposal sent out by Melissa to try and find a way to create a mite travel division, presented a limited schedule for the mite division to include a 10 to 12 game schedule from October to February, ending in a participation in a NorCal playoff with an option to move on to the State competition.

Motion to accept a limited schedule format for the Mite division, with a Jamboree or Play off finals competition at the beginning of March. Motion carried.

Clubs showing interest in fielding Mite Travel teams are Santa Clara, San Jose, Tri-Valley, Berkeley and possibly Roseville. Scheduling services for mite exhibition games are available, these teams are to contact Chuck C. for scheduling.

Team fees for regular NorCal teams, Squirt through Midget is \$400 per team, the first \$200 per team fee due by Sept 1.

Motion to reduce team fees for NorCal Mite teams, (min. of 10 games), to \$200, due by Sept 1. Motion carried.

Deadline for team declaration is Aug 15. \$400 per team fee due by Sept 1, each club must provide 16 ice slots per team.

Player Movement – Until a team has been fixed in a division, a player may not be released from a un-designated team to another team. Player movement rating to be determined.

Kevin Constantine Clinic tentatively scheduled for August 24th weekend for 3 levels of certification, Initiation, Associates and Intermediate classifications. Jean Wright will help coordinate location and accommodations.

Motion to subsidize NorCal Clubs for the Constantine Clinic fees only. Motion carried.

Ace Coordinator – Ace Coordinator's need to be determined and submitted (per club) to Melissa by August 15. She will forward the contact information to the appropriate parties.

Proposed NorCal Calendar - Local Select Camp to be held where is easily assessable to coaches. Bids to host the select camp are accepted. Select camp to be held week of Dec. 21 and 22.

First round of preseason to be played from Sept 7 to Sept 29. Second round of preseason to be played from Oct 5 to Oct 27. Regular season will begin Nov 2., season ends weekend of March 16.

Mites to start league play the week of Oct 5, concluding their season the week of Feb 23.

NorCal playoffs tentatively scheduled as follows: A Playoffs, 3/22/23, B Playoffs 3/30. These dates subject to change as CAHA declares their State Championship dates.

August meeting scheduled for Aug 17, executive session to begin at 9 am, board meeting to begin at 10:30 am. Items set for discussion, Rules and set season schedule.

Meeting adjourned.