

NORCAL Hockey Board Sign-In Sheet

November 1, 2003 Meeting

Chris Hathaway	NORCAL President	P
Pete Toft	NORCAL VP/Penalty Review	P
Carla Dickerson	NORCAL Secretary	P
Ann Wade	NORCAL Treasurer	P
Chuck Collins	NORCAL Scheduler/Webmaster	
Mike Donahue	NORCAL M.A.L.	P
John Hamer	NORCAL Gen. Manager	
Jean Wright	NORCAL Girls Chair	
Lori Diaz	NORCAL Roster Manager	P
Melissa Fitzgerald	CAHA Director	
Mark Mauro	NORCAL Referee In Chief	P
	NORCAL Director of Coaches	
Todd Llewellyn	IHONC President	P
NORCAL Club Representatives		
Liesl Songer-Nelson	1. Berkeley Iceland	P
Mike Benesh	2. Cupertino – Pres.	P
Ray Monks	3. Fresno – Pres.	P
Todd Morgan	4. High Sierra – Pres.– non-voting	
Andre Lacroix/Judy Lane	5. Oakland Ice Center	
Mike Dewyea/Elizabeth DePalma	6. Sacramento/Roseville Skatetown	
Joe Lundy	7. Santa Clara – Pres.	P
Stephanie Richardson/Steve Woodson	8. San Jose – Travel/Tier	P
Mike Donahue	9. Santa Rosa – Pres.	P
Joe Donati	10. Stockton – Pres.	P
Jean Wright	11. Tri-Valley - Pres.	
Mike Donnelly	12. Yerba Buena – Pres.– non-voting	
Jason Harvey	13. Vacaville Skating Center- non-voting	
Others in attendance		
Rich Wilcox	TriValley	P
Ray Lions	Santa Clara	P
Scott Ansok	Cupertino	P
Jennifer Clark	Yerba Buena/San Francisco	P

NORCAL BOARD MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2003
General session called to order at 10:20am with introductions.

REPORTS

1. President – Chris Hathaway – none
2. GM – John Hamer - none
3. Vice President – Pete Toft
 - Fred Niday review hearing scheduled.
4. Treasurer – Ann Wade
 - Balance statement distributed. Reflects balance of \$78,729.66.
 - Action Item:** Ann to research logistics pertaining to scholarship donations made by the San Jose Sharks Community Development program. Specific interest in the last \$10,000.00 donation made. Ann will report back to the board what deductions and to whom were made from this scholarship donation and review our current budget and where those monies are reflected.
 - Action Item:** Chris suggested Melissa Fitzgerald could provide the board with written criteria that was established outlining the guidelines and process for distribution.
 - Still collecting some team registration fees...clubs were notified.
 - Research on non-profit reserve restrictions revealed there are no restrictions regarding amount of carryover.
5. Secretary - Carla Dickerson
 - Distributed for approval minutes from the 9/27/03 meeting. **Motion** to accept as presented, by Mike Benesh, 2nd by Joe Lundy, motion to accept minutes as prepared carried unanimously.
6. Scheduler/Webmaster – Chuck Collins
 - Per Chris, Chuck has been communicating directly with all club schedulers to finalize the remainder of the schedule which should be out by 11/3/03.
7. Roster Manager – Lori Diaz
 - A. Player movements granted to Capital Thunder for a Bantam A player to move to Bantam B; and to Vacaville for a Squirt A player to move to Squirt B. Both players are not eligible for playoffs as stated in NORCAL Rule 4.18.
 - B. Liesl made a notation for the record that in reviewing rule changes for 2004-05 NORCAL rules, the deadline for player movement of October 17th, as stated in Rule 4.18, needs to be in alignment with CAHA's deadline of October 31st.
8. Referee in Chief – Mark Mauro
 - IHONC will be sponsor 1 more off-ice youth training seminar, exclusive to youth officials. This is a FREE 2-hour session. The remaining seminar is 11/20 at Logitech Ice from 7-9pm.
 - Request was made again to make sure all complaints/comments go through club presidents.
 - **Action Item:** Club Presidents please relay to your coaches game misconduct penalties **can not** be appealed.
9. Director of Coaches - none.
10. Girls Chair - no report.
11. USA Hockey Report – none

12. CAHA – 2003-04 Guidebooks distributed by Carla to clubs present on behalf of Therese Phillips.
Liesl to get information on next CAHA meeting location as it will be held in the north bay November 22nd. All are encouraged to attend.
13. IHONC – Todd Llewellyn
 - All seminars are completed and resulted in 370 attendees from the 410 who registered. 100 new officials have been trained into the program.
 - Again we revisited previous discussion regarding on-line evaluation process and stressed the importance of providing positive feedback to be used as a tool provided for constructive. Most evaluations received are negative. Would like to see some positive evaluations as well.
14. Sharks Fan Development – Mike Bruins – no report however all presidents should have received information on the Outback Steakhouse Award program currently in place and ongoing.

BREAK FOR PCA LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP 11:15am to 1:00pm

OLD BUSINESS

1. Pre-Select Camp – John Hamer to get out information regarding location. Scheduled dates are 12/20-21.
2. Coaches Seminars – Chris spoke to Ron White who stated the coaching certification deadline date of December 31st will be adhered to. All coaches currently not holding their card, are on the bench in good faith being that they will be properly certificated by the deadline. December 31st....No card...Off roster.
3. There was further discussion regarding coaches being properly insured. This lead to the decision by the board that effective 11/8/03 all managers need to copy IMR's of any coaches on the bench not carrying their cards. The copy needs to be attached to the scoresheet and the notation of "pending" will be written next to their name on the scoresheet.
4. STOP Patches – The officials noted that the entire Capital Thunder club does not have STOP patches. **Motion** to fine Capital Thunder \$500.00 if they don't have STOP patches on by November 8, 2003 games. Motion presented by Ray Monks, 2nd by Mike Benesh, motion carried unanimously. Chris to notify the club in writing by 11/4/03.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Player releases – Chris Hathaway/Lori Diaz
 - A. The player release for Berkeley Squirt A player Jordan Fontaine was discussed. The NORCAL GM had previously granted a conditional or "exceptional" release to allow the player to be rostered on the Oakland PeeWee B team with his sibling. Following the release, Jordan began playing instead with the Oakland Squirt A team, a direct violation of the conditions of his release. John Hamer will be notify the family in writing, describing the release violations and informing them that Jordan has been deemed an ineligible player with respect to the Oakland Squirt A team. In addition, John will notify the Oakland club, that every game for which Jordan's name appears on the Oakland

Squirt A scoresheet, the game will be deemed a forfeit with regard to determining NORCAL league standings.

- B. Joe Lundy requested clarification on the NORCAL decision that, because of failure to meet PDR rules, Santa Clara's PeeWee A team would be considered an exhibition team this season, meaning the games against this team would not count toward standings and the team would be ineligible for NORCAL playoffs. Chris reread CAHA Rule 8.13 and NORCAL Rule 8.03. Santa Clara responded that if they had understood this would be the outcome, they would have asked for NORCAL to place the team in the PeeWee B division.

Liesl reminded the group that NORCAL members do not place their own teams in A or B divisions. She further stated, that during discussions regarding team placements, the Santa Clara team had not been considered by John Hamer to be a "bubble team" (i.e. close to the line between A and B skill levels and a candidate for either division). She then stated that the GM and the Board had concluded that this team absolutely belonged in the A division based on their performance in preseason. Chris repeated the suggestion he made when this matter was originally addressed at the 9/27/03 NORCAL meeting....that if Santa Clara believed NORCAL had incorrectly applied the rules in this case, it should appeal to CAHA, as NORCAL has no basis upon which to grant any team an exception to the CAHA PDR rules cited above.

2. Playoffs

Scheduled dates are 3/20, 21 and 3/27,28. Mites will once again be holding a separate jamboree. **Action Item:** Information regarding bid criteria and due dates will come from John Hamer shortly.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:15pm

Next meeting – December 6, 2003, Round Table in Pleasanton

Respectfully Submitted,
Carla Dickerson, NORCAL Secretary