

NORCAL Hockey Board Sign-In Sheet  
December 6, 2003 Meeting

Chris Hathaway	NORCAL President	P
Pete Toft	NORCAL VP/Penalty Review	P
Carla Dickerson	NORCAL Secretary	P
Ann Wade	NORCAL Treasurer	
Chuck Collins	NORCAL Scheduler/Webmaster	
Mike Donahue	NORCAL M.A.L.	P
John Hamer	NORCAL Gen. Manager	P
Jean Wright	NORCAL Girls Chair	
Lori Diaz	NORCAL Roster Manager	P
Melissa Fitzgerald	CAHA Director	P
Mark Mauro	NORCAL Referee In Chief	P
	NORCAL Director of Coaches	
Todd Llewellyn	IHONC President	P
<b>NORCAL Club Representatives</b>		
Liesl Songer-Nelson	1. Berkeley Iceland	P
Mike Benesh	2. Cupertino – Pres.	P
Ray Monks	3. Fresno – Pres.	
Todd Morgan	4. High Sierra – Pres.– <b>non-voting</b>	
Andre Lacroix/Judy Lane	5. Oakland Ice Center	P
Elizabeth DePalma/Irene Kercher	6. Sacramento/Roseville Skatetown	P
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.	
Jean Wright	11. Tri-Valley - Pres.	Proxy
Mike Donnelly	12. Yerba Buena – Pres.– <b>non-voting</b>	
Jason Harvey	13. Vacaville Skating Center- <b>non-voting</b>	
<b>Others in attendance</b>		
Jennifer Clark	Yerba Buena/San Francisco	P
Jim Chappari	Vacaville Skating Center	P

NORCAL BOARD MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 6, 2003  
General session called to order at 10:00am with introductions.

REPORTS

1. President – Chris Hathaway

**Action Item:** Chris to get information to Club Presidents regarding the Flexcoach program. This program offers assistance to coaches and provides a drill database in addition to offering player accessibility. There's a per team fee for a 12-month subscription of \$79.95. A small percentage will go to NORCAL for teams who register.

**Action Item:** All clubs need to appoint an Ace Coordinator. List needs to be compiled and submitted to Bob Levin of CAHA. Send info on your selected Ace Coordinator to Carla ASAP and include name, address, email and telephone contact numbers.
2. GM – John Hamer
  - A. Distributed current list of pre-registered Pre-Select participants that have been received for the 12/20 camp to be held in Roseville. Of the approximate 400 age eligible candidates who received personal letters of invite, only 41 had registered as of December 5<sup>th</sup>. John expected a large turnout to show up at the door. John asked all NORCAL clubs to post dates and guidelines on their individual websites to help promote this event. John also appealed to clubs to provide any potential on-ice evaluators who might be available to assist during the camp for any portion of the day.
  - B. John noted disturbing increase in a series of incidents relating to coaches pulling their teams from participating in the handshake line following games. Clubs should communicate to their coaches that their responsibility is to emit positive sportsmanship. John will be monitoring incidents that continue to be reported.
  - C. Club Presidents were reminded of the penalty review process that is currently in place according to the NORCAL rules, and assurances were given that action would be taken based on recommendations that may be submitted separately for review.
3. Vice President – Pete Toft
  - Penalty review player hearing immediately following meeting today.
  - Mentioned Mite article in the December issue of Hockey & Skating magazine. Too much emphasis was put on the competitiveness of Mite hockey vs. development. Pete encouraged clubs to send stories or articles to them for submission as NORCAL activity is not as well represented in this publication. All clubs were invited to participate.
4. Treasurer – Ann Wade – not present
  - Chris Hathaway reported on last month's Action Item pertaining to scholarship donations made by the San Jose Sharks Community Development program. It was noted that \$10,162 in scholarships were received by the San Jose Sharks. To date, 1 request in the amount of \$1,500 has been distributed which leaves a balance of \$8,662 that should be held in reserves in our current operating budget.
  - **Action Item:** Lori Diaz and John Hamer to create a form that will be presented in a rough draft format at the next meeting that could

potentially be utilized by clubs who have candidates seeking scholarship consideration.

5. Secretary - Carla Dickerson  
Distributed for approval minutes from the November 1st meeting. **Motion** to accept as presented, by Mike Donahue, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Lundy, motion to accept minutes as prepared carried unanimously.
6. Scheduler/Webmaster – Chuck Collins – no report
7. Roster Manager – Lori Diaz
  - Binder checks will be sometime in January. Notification will be sent to all clubs registrars of the date and location.
  - Lori distributed a Temporary Player Release for clubs to use during tournaments. She advised clubs to fax her these once completed and received so that she could keep track of where players are.
8. Referee in Chief – Mark Mauro
  - By the 11/30 deadline to renew officials, 90% had renewed. IHONC is following up with the 33 applicants who attended clinics, but hadn't send their tests in yet. They are currently ineligible to officiate.
  - TriValley Turkey Tournament went well – 2-man system throughout event.
  - IHONC will be sponsor 12/9 (Fremont), 1/27 (Pleasanton) and 2/10 (Fremont) adult seminars from 7-9pm. Information will be forthcoming on February and March power skating sessions.
  - 12/27-12/30 – Officiating San Jose Jr. Sharks Winter Classic.
  - 12/31 is the final deadline for **ALL** coaches to be certificated or they're off the bench.
9. Director of Coaches - none.
10. Girls Chair - no report.
11. USA Hockey Report – none
12. CAHA –
  - 11/22 meeting was held in San Jose. Chris reported that the CAHA board applauded NORCAL's efforts to put in a place guidelines and consequences to not having STOP patches on jerseys by a certain deadline.
  - Bids were accepted at the 11/22 CAHA meeting to host A & B state championships. A decision will be announced shortly.
  - CAHA Screening Applications need to be done every 3 years. Clubs were reminded about getting all applications in by December 31<sup>st</sup>. It was noted that if you weren't sure if someone had filed in the last 3 years, have them complete it again to be on the safe side. Chris noted that all screening applications will go to John Kuster.
  - Melissa Fitzgerald outlined tier berths effecting California teams.
13. IHONC – Todd Llewellyn
  - Todd reviewed an incident regarding inappropriate behavior of off-ice minor officials. **Action Item:** Club Presidents were asked to go back to their teams and review the USA Hockey guidelines with respect to being an off-ice official. Those choosing not to follow those guidelines, who exhibit inappropriate behavior in the future, on-ice officials will ask they be removed and replaced.

#### 14. Sharks Fan Development – Mike Bruins – no report

#### OLD BUSINESS

1. Pre-Select Camp – See 2A. above.
2. Coaches Seminars – Last seminar coming up in December.
3. Playoffs -  
Scheduled dates for A & B playoffs are 3/20, 21 and 3/27,28. Bid criteria for A & B playoffs was distributed and bids are due to John Hamer no later than December 23<sup>rd</sup>.  
Scheduled date for Mite Jamboree is 3/6 , 7. Bid criteria for Mite Jamboree was distributed via email on 12/11. Bids are due to John Hamer no later than December 30<sup>th</sup>.  
Finalists from all submitted proposals will be presented at the January 10<sup>th</sup> NORCAL meeting for review and selection.

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Scoresheets – **Action Item:** Chris asked for NORCAL scoresheet change suggestions to Mike Benesh by December 13<sup>th</sup>. He will work on creating a new format for our next order.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm, **Motion** to adjourn made by Joe Lundy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Liesl.

Next meeting – January 10, 2004, Round Table in Pleasanton

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carla Dickerson, NORCAL Secretary