

NORCAL Hockey Board Sign-In Sheet
February 7, 2004 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	P
Jean Wright	NORCAL Girls Chair	P
Lori Diaz	NORCAL Roster Manager	P
Melissa Fitzgerald	CAHA Director	
Mark Mauro	NORCAL Referee In Chief	
	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	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.	P
Jean Wright/Rich Wilcox	11. Tri-Valley - Pres.	P
Mike Donnelly	12. Yerba Buena – Pres.– non-voting	P
Jason Harvey	13. Vacaville Skating Center- non-voting	
Others in attendance		
Dave Denton	Stockton Colts, VP	P
Dean Prowler	High Sierra Wild, VP	P
Paul Bates	Tri-Valley	P
Jennifer Clark	SF Sabercats	P
Phil Gibbs	Berkeley	P
Jim Chiappari	Vacaville Skating Center	P

NORCAL BOARD MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 7, 2004

General session called to order at 10:00am with introductions.

REPORTS

1. President – Chris Hathaway - none
2. GM – John Hamer
 - John reported that the Select camp was held 1/30-31 and was a great. Players selected will be notified by mail by 2/8. For future reference... John discussed the importance of contacting players individually who advance from Pre-Selects to Selects, to assure they have accepted their spot and would be advancing. Apparently, a NORCAL player who was selected at Pre-Select did not show up for Selects and unfortunately, had someone known about this, that spot could have been filled by a player on an alternate list. This is important to maintain the integrity of the Northern California Pre-Select process.
3. Vice President – Pete Toft
 - One penalty review hearing scheduled for today following the meeting.
4. Treasurer – Ann Wade
 - Ann distributed a balance sheet which reflected \$69,135.63. She also informed clubs that the second half of their team registration fees are now due to NORCAL. **Action Item:** Ann will be sending out statements to each club president with fees due no later than the March meeting.
 - Ann also mentioned that the San Jose Girls had not paid any registration fees and was questioning what should be collected. It was determined that they need to pay the \$400.00 per team as all other regular travel and tier teams pay, based on their utilization of the NORCAL scheduling process for exhibition games throughout the season.
5. Secretary - Carla Dickerson
 - Distributed for approval minutes from the January 10, 2004 meeting.
 - Motion** to accept as presented, by Rich Wilcox, 2nd by Mike Donahue, motion to accept minutes as prepared carried unanimously.
6. Scheduler/Webmaster – Chuck Collins – no report
7. Roster Manager – Lori Diaz
 - The NORCAL wide binder check that was held 1/27 was successful. Lori thanked Carl Sgarlata of San Jose for his assistance in getting binders checked in. Lori is currently finalizing all binders to make sure they are in compliance and ready for post-season play. Teams anticipating advancing, should be preparing a playoff packet of their credentials with the required materials needed for CAHA. Lori assured club presidents that she would take responsibility of returning all documents to clubs, to insure confidentiality.
 - **Action Item:** Lori Diaz will forward the "Scholarship Application" form to Club Presidents for their review.
8. Referee in Chief – Mark Mauro – no report.

9. Director of Coaches - none
 Rich Wilcox introduced the board to Paul Bates from Tri-Valley. Paul expressed interested in the DOC position and apologized for not knowing that the position was available much sooner than now. He said he would welcome the opportunity to serve on the board and has some ideas that he'd like to share with us in the coming months. The board appointed him acting DOC to finish out the current season.
10. Girls Chair - Jean Wright – no report
11. USA Hockey Report – none
12. CAHA – Liesl Songer-Nelson
 - **Action Item:** Re CAHA credentials. Tier I go to Liesl, Tier II go to Chris Guerra.
 - CAHA Screening Applications being currently submitted for the 2003-04 season have been put on hold. If your club has not sent them in yet, please hold on to them. CAHA has decided this program needs to be reviewed before proceeding further.
13. IHONC – Todd Llewellyn
 - Scheduled 1,000 regular/exhibition games. 200 remain to be completed. When all is done approximately 1,600 games were covered which included tournaments.
 - 55 games were scheduled with LESS than 4 days notice.
 - 279 officials have been registered/certified.
 - 110 officials evaluations have been completed.
 - Feedback has been positive regarding the on-line incident reporting system.
 - **Action Item:** Club Presidents noted they are not being copied on evaluations. Todd will ensure they get reports submitted.
14. Sharks Fan Development – Mike Bruins – no report

OLD BUSINESS

1. Scoresheets – Mike Benesh presented his new NORCAL scoresheet design. Scoresheet was designed to accommodate the Cybersport labels that each club registrar has access to through their existing software. He will make minor revisions as noted and order a quantity of 1,000 at a cost of \$366.00. Expenditure was approved and sheets will be delivered to Chris Hathaway.
2. Rules Committee - The NORCAL rules committee, which consists of John Hamer, Lori Diaz, Mike Donahue and Mike Benesh, will assist Pete in determining recommendations for 2004-05 rule changes. These will most likely be presented at the June meeting.
3. Mite Jamboree – John outlined two bids received. One from Oakland and one from Vacaville. The Oakland bid could only accommodate one flight of 4 teams. The Vacaville bid included both flights in the same venue. There was discussion regarding the cost of ice per hour which came out to \$300.00. Jim Chiappari responded he would go back to Jason Harvey with NORCAL'S request. A **Motion** to accept Vacaville's bid with modifications in the price to \$275.00 per hour and include ice cuts at no additional charge presented by Mike Benesh, 2nd by Ray Monks, carried unanimously.

4. CAHA Screening Update – See #12 above.
5. Sponsorship Application – See #7 above.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Officials Review/update – Chris Hathaway suggested getting the 2004-05 contract for officials underway, so as to eliminate one important item that needs to be secured from a future NORCAL agenda. The current IHONC contract with NORCAL is for only one year. Chris explained that the officials have not received a pay increase for quite some time and that he anticipated IHONC may be contemplating asking for an increase in fees for the coming season. He suggested they may want to consider proposing a 2-year contract, with a rate increase the second contract year. **Action Item:** Todd Lewellyn said he would begin preparing a proposal for consideration and research what officials base rates are in other areas.
2. Stockton Forfeits/Fines
Joe Donati made a presentation noting his dissatisfaction in the way NORCAL has been handling some situations, citing inconsistencies with regard to communication, notification and chain of command.
3. NORCAL Playoffs
Chris noted that if there were any NORCAL presidents who might be around and available to volunteer any time during playoffs, please report their availability. All NORCAL executive staff members will be working throughout the 3 events....Mite Jamboree, A & B Playoffs.
4. Constantine Clinic
Jean reported that Kevin Constantine is booking dates for his fall seminars. NORCAL has selected July 23-25 for his coaching certification program.
Action Item: Chris to check with Warren Smith on what consecutive levels can be obtained during this event. Information regarding reservations will be passed on to clubs as it becomes available.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Chris Hathaway at 12:00 noon.

Next meeting – Saturday March 13, 2004, Round Table in Pleasanton

Addendums to meeting:

1. Vacaville sent email notification to John Hamer dated 2/8/04 that they will revise their previously submitted Mite Jamboree bid to align with the request of \$275.00 per hour with no charge for ice cuts.
2. Ann is researching what exact registration fee that should be charged to the girls teams, based on information received from Chuck Collins on 2/7/04. He referenced previous agreements made specifically with regard to duel rostering for girls also playing on travel teams. This may determine the result of what fees are ultimately charged.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carla Dickerson, NORCAL Secretary

