

## **Conference Call Minutes**

### **Sierra Pacific Division**

November 30, 2021 5:00 PM

Attending: Dan Sharadin, Commissioner; California State University-Chico, Greg Ahtye and Callie Norton; California State University-Maritime Academy, Steve Doten; University of California-Berkeley, A & B, Emma Mcrae; University of California-Davis, A & B Olivia Tobin; University of California-Santa Cruz, A & B, Caley Mason and Sophia Sussman; Fresno State University, Ceily Hepner

The call opened with a discussion about competitive equity and the need to create more opportunities for teams to play against opponents of similar ability. The proposal included teams playing for the first two weekends to determine rankings within their division, then separating at the championship into two groups to play games against those teams of similar ranking. Each group would produce the best teams from their respective championship bracket that would qualify for either the National Collegiate Club Championship or the National Invitational Championship. Teams were willing to discuss the idea with their teammates and make a final decision regarding competitive format using a mail ballot.

The next item on the agenda pertained to the new hotel reservation policy. The old system of booking one property at a tournament site to try and meet every school's needs is outdated and a very inefficient means to earn free rooms from the hotels. The new process utilizes one account through Hotels.com, where teams can book the hotel of their choice and the league can earn more free rooms for officials, which will save league expenses. More information will be sent to teams about this policy later.

The Commissioner reminded teams about the forms they need to complete, including the Participation Agreement that must be submitted by the club supervisor before December 15th. All forms are located on the "Forms" tab of the website. He also emphasized the importance of the website. Teams may send stories about their clubs to help promote their programs.

Live streaming will still take place this spring and to make the broadcasts accurate, the league needs rosters that include the correct cap numbers. All teams will be required to turn in a roster and include emails for their athletes. This will also enable the league to reach out to the individual athletes with information about the stream that they can forward to their parents.

Lastly teams need to make sure their contact information is correct on the website and to share the leadership responsibilities between three roles: coaching, administration, and social/recruiting. By selecting a different person for each position teams prevent burnout, and it allows the league office to help individuals in specific areas. All club leadership must also complete the [Team Leader Orientation](#) program consisting of three short webinars.