

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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Why was the existing Board of Directors structure changed in 2008?

The geographic representation was adopted so our Directors could effectively communicate and interact with Member Associations near their residence. This allows our Directors to be more responsive to the needs of local hockey communities with the ability to attend local association meetings and disseminate USA Hockey and CAHA education and philosophies, stimulate grant activity and assist with member association functions, events, discipline and tournaments.

What is the current geographic structure?

North Carolina 1	Greensboro, NC Winston Salem, NC	Paul Fidishun (Term Expires 2019)
North Carolina 2	Charlotte, NC	Brad Hoffman (Term Expires 2020)
North Carolina 3	Fayetteville, NC Greenville, NC Wilmington, NC	Matt Hurley (Term Expires 2021)
North Carolina 4	Hillsborough, NC Raleigh, NC	Rick Daniel (Term Expires 2018)
North Carolina 5	Raleigh, NC	Kevin Universal (Term Expires 2019)
North Carolina 6	Raleigh, NC	Brian Mehm (Term Expires 2020)
South Carolina 1	Charleston, SC	Joe Spitz (Term Expires 2019)
South Carolina 2	Charleston, SC	Robert Engler (Term Expires 2020)
South Carolina 3	Columbia, SC Greenville, SC	Jake Yenser (Term Expires 2021)

How was this structure determined?

Representation is based on the total number of participant members registered by the Member Associations.

Could this division change in the future?

Yes, the division of districts shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors on an annual basis for adequacy by March 15 of each year. Significant increases or decreases in membership will be the determining factor for

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district realignment. As required by the Bylaws, the Board of Directors reviewed the division of Districts for adequacy as of March 15. The division of districts was reviewed due to membership gains and losses in the current district structure. As a result of this review the director districts are changing effective the 2019 election.

What is the new geographic structure?

North Carolina 1	Greensboro, NC Winston Salem, NC	Paul Fidishun (Term Expires 2019)
North Carolina 2	Charlotte, NC	Brad Hoffman (Term Expires 2020)
North Carolina 3	Fayetteville, NC Greenville, NC Wilmington, NC Hillsborough, NC	Matt Hurley (Term Expires 2021)
North Carolina 4	Raleigh, NC	Rick Daniel (Term Expires 2021)
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My city of residence is not listed in the chart above. Am I eligible for nomination to the CAHA Board of Directors?

Yes, registered participant eligibility shall be determined based on the closest proximity to a city listed in the chart. For example, residents of Wake Forest, NC, Cary, NC and Apex, NC fall into North Carolina 4, and 6; High Point, NC into North Carolina 1; and Anderson, SC into South Carolina 3. All candidates are eligible for nomination to a Director position based solely on residence. For example, a South Carolina resident may not be nominated for a North Carolina Director position.

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If a candidate is not nominated from the geographic district, how will the seat be filled?

If a candidate within the geography of a district is not nominated, that position will be declared 'at large' for the next term only. The nomination process for the 'at large' position will reopen statewide and follow a time frame consistent with Bylaw 14.3 (a) to allow for the democratic election of the open Director position(s).

What happens if a nomination from within the geographic district is received after the position is declared 'at large'?

The exclusive time frame for nominations within a geographic district is April 17 – May 8. In the event no nominations are received and the nomination process is reopened, nominations will be accepted statewide and all identified candidates will be placed on a ballot for the open position.

Does the Director from my district represent only the Member Associations with their district?

No. The CAHA Board of Directors is an impartial body who works on behalf of USA Hockey for the benefit of all members in North Carolina and South Carolina. A Director shall act in accordance with the best interests of CAHA as a whole.

Does my Member Association vote only for the open positions within our district?

No. Each Member Association will vote for all open Director position(s) within their respective state each year.