

10/18/03 Board Meeting

Minnesota Baseball Association, Inc.

Minutes of the board meeting

Meeting site Sauk Rapids Legion, Sauk Rapids Saturday, October 18, 2003

Meeting was called to order by President Odman at 2:00 pm.

Roll call showed all directors present

Motion Brennan, seconded Forsman, carried, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as mailed.

Motion Forsman, seconded Wegscheid, carried, to approve the player roster submitted by Herb Koch asking permission to play in a fall league also to play in the Roy Hobbs World Series in Florida with the HPK Oilers November 7/16/03. (Tom Arnold, Alan Arthur, Tim Flemming, Dave Hinkemeyer, Mark Hoffman, Paul Jaunich, Bob Klefsaas, Herb Koch, Dan Kraschnewski, Tom Lacina, Dan Marso, Matt Miller, Joe Monsen, Randy Moselle, Andy Patrias, Jack Peterson, Rod Schafer, Tom Steinbach, Randy Wasenberg.

A thank you card was received from Bill Nelson of Dundas thanking the board for their trust in Dundas and Northfield this year's tournament hosts.

The board reviewed the state tournament bid form with one change being made. Starting in the year 2004 at Jordan and Belle Plaine, each site will be assessed \$1000.00 at agreement signing so that all requirements they are required to meet will be in order by the time they host the tournament. If all requirements are in order, their \$1000.00 will be refunded. Requirements that are not met will be assessed accordingly.

The auditing committee met and completed their audit.

The meeting was recessed for dinner.

Meeting was called back to order by President Odman at 5:30 pm.

Directors present: Odman, Fischer, Zellmann, Wegscheid, Richter, Fiemeyer, Roufs, Brennan, Forsman

Section commissioners: #1 Mike Barry, #3 John Breimhorst, #7 Mike Kieke.

Region commissioners: #2 Vernie Radloff, #3 Marlin Reinardy, #7 Gerald Roepke, #8 Paul Froncak, #9 Tom Rademacher.

Leagues: Cannon Valley, Cannon Valley Classic, Carver Central Red, Carver Central White, Carver Central Blue, Corn Belt North, Crow River North, Crow River South, Eastern Minny North, Eastern Minny South, Lake & Pine North, Lake & Pine South, Lakewood Central, Land O'Ducks Teal, Metro Minny, North Star Central, North Star East, North Star West, Stearns County No., Stearns County South, Tomahawk East National, Victory East, Victory North, Victory South, Victory West. (Total 25 Leagues)

Guests: 5

After a welcome statement by president Odman, the following committees were appointed.

(Credentials) Forsman, Wegscheid

(Nominating) Fischer, Fiemeyer, Larson, Pauly, Rademacher

(Tellers) Fischer, Fiemeyer, Larson, Pauly, Rademacher

Members of the board reported on assigned topics.

Secretary - Treasure Zellmann: read and reviewed the annual financial report. Dave Shumway of Northfield who was on the auditing committee stated the audit showed the financial statement to be correct, balanced, and complete. His fellow auditing committee member John Richter concurred with this report. A motion by Breimhorst, seconded Froncak, carried, to accept the financial report as presented.

Nominating committee: reported the following nominees for election to the board of directors. Dennis Brennan, Fred Roufs, Bob Zellmann. President Odman called for nominations from the floor, after the required number of times nominations were closed. A motion by Brian Larson, seconded by Mike Kieke, carried, to submit a white ballot for the three incumbents. They will serve a three year term to the Minnesota Baseball Board of Directors.

Tom Rademacher reported on the commissioners meeting. Items discussed, 1. (Drafted players must be completed

and names given to commissioner two hours after completion of region-section tournament) 2. (Go back to pro slide rule with no malicious contact, vote 18-6 in favor. 3. (Super region play 1st round games away from state tournament sites). 4. (Questionnaire forms at tournament sites for fans and players to respond their likes and dislikes about the tournament. 5. (Commissioners to change October meeting time to 3:00 pm.

The floor was then open for discussion. Ron Beckman presented a proposal to consider going back to single elimination in Class "B" and "C". This would cut our games in half, while playing only two weekends. It would also cut out Thursday and Sunday evening games, which could help attendance.) 2. Cut ticket price to \$5.00 3. Have one game during the season designated with proceeds going to charity of choice. The board will review all these questions and concerns at the November meeting.

Dan Buss from Bussports addressed the assembly. He had a full line of sporting goods on display, he answered questions from the floor, and gave away two dozen baseballs as a door prize.

Marv Fiemeyer introduced the winner of the 2003 Mike Downs Award - Paul Froncak of Little Falls.

With no further business, motion Kieke-Lakewood, seconded Anderson - Lake and Pine, carried, to adjourn at 7:15 pm.

Meeting called to order by President Odman at 7:20 pm.

First order of business was election of officers. Motion Fiemeyer, seconded Forsman, carried, to submit a white ballot for (president) Dave Odman, (vice president) Jim Fischer, (secretary-treasure) Bob Zellmann.

Motion Wegscheid, seconded Fischer, carried, to set rates for handbook ads - - 1/3 page \$35.00 - - 1/2 Page \$50.00 - - Full page \$75.00.

Motion Zellmann, seconded Wegscheid, carried, to set president salary at \$1000.00.

Motion Forsman, seconded Richter, carried, to set secretary-treasure salary at \$1500.00, Office rent \$1250.00, Clerical \$500.00, Equipment allowance \$250.00.

Motion Fiemeyer, seconded Fischer, carried, to have Zellmann secure handbook ad's for \$500.00.

Motion Roufs, seconded Richter, carried, to keep board expense at \$30.00 per day, mileage at .35 per mile.

The annual meeting for 2004 was set for October 16 at the Sauk Rapids Legion Club.

Next meeting of the MBA is November 22, 2003 at the Holiday Inn, St. Cloud, at 1:00 pm.

Being no further business, motion Forsman, seconded Wegscheid, carried to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

Bob Zellmann, Secretary-Treasurer, MBA.