

10/20/01 Board Meeting

MINNESOTA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION, INC.

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

Meeting Site - Sauk Rapids Legion, Sauk Rapids Saturday, October 20, 2001

Meeting called to order by President Odman at 2:00 p.m. Roll call showed all directors present. Motion by Brennan, seconded Spanier, carried, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as mailed to directors.

Motion Fischer, seconded Wegscheid, carried, to approve the following players to play in The fall league and the Roy Hobbs World Series in Fort Myers, Florida: Tom Arnold, Alan Arthur, John Dolan, Tim Fleming, Don Groth, Mark Hoffinan, Paul Jaunich, Curt Johnson, Bob Klefsaas, Herb Koch, Dan Kraschnewski, Randy Moseffe, Andy Patrias, Rod Schaefer, Tom Smith, Tom Steinbach, Tom Lacina, Romm VanKrevlin, Jim Wheeler, and Mike Barry.

The board next met with the commissioners who had met earlier in the day. There were only three commissioners that showed up for this meeting: Section 1 - Mike Barry, Region 7 - Gerald Roepke, and Region 12 - Keith Hanson.

They addressed the board that they were well satisfied with the way things were set up. If there was one thing to look at, it might be the one game admission at the state tournament.

The board was notified that Class "A" will go to all wood bats starting the 2002 season.

The Auditing Committee met and completed their audit.

No further business, motion Fiemeyer, seconded Brennan, carried, to adjourn. Adjournment coming at 3:15 p.m.

Meeting called to order by President Odman at 5:45 p.m. on Saturday, October 20, 2001.

Directors present: Odman, Fischer, Fiemeyer, Zellmann, Wegscheid, Richter, Spanier, Roufs, Section

Commissioners present: #1 Mike Barry, #4 Robert Reinhart, #5 Larry Bergman.

Region Commissioners present: #3 Leon Brinkman, #7 Gerald Roepke, #8 Paul Froncak, #12 Keith Hanson.

Leagues: ARA Wilson, Cannon Valley, Cannon Valley Classic, Carver Central, County Line, Crow River, North-South, DRS Blue, Eastern Minny North-South, Gopher Lg., Lake and Pine North-South, Lake Wood, National-American, Norman-Polk, North Star Central-East-West, Stearns County North-South, Tomahawk East National, Victory East-North. Total -24 leagues.

After a welcome statement, President Odman appointed the following committees: Credentials - Roufs, Fiemeyer

Nominating - Brennan, Zellmann

Tellers - Richter, Fischer, Froncak, J. Brennan Members of the Board of Directors reported on assigned topics:

Secretary-Treasurer Zellmann: Read and reviewed the annual financial report. A report by Auditing Committee member Mike Barry, of Red Wing, stated that the audit showed the financial statement to be correct, balanced, and complete. His fellow auditing committee members (John Richter, Marv Fiemeyer, and Dennis Brennan) concurred with this report.

A motion by Froncak, Victory Lgs, seconded Larson, North Star Lgs, carried, to accept this report.

Nominating Committee Reported the following nominees for election to the Board of Directors: Dave Odman, Jerome Wegscheid, Mark Forsman, Bill Krogman, Joe Kreger.

President Odman asked if there were any nominations from the floor, after the required number, nominations were closed.

Tellers passed, then collected and counted the ballots, with the results as follows: Odman 29, Wegscheid 22, Forsman 24, Krogman 9, Kreger 9. Directors elected to a three-year term are Odman, Wegscheid, Forsman.

President Odman then thanked outgoing director Urban Spanier, who did not seek re-election, for his dedicated service over the past 18 years. President Odman presented Spanier with a gift of \$500.00.

The floor was then open for discussion. Ron Breckman, Carver Central - Class "B" go to wood bats for section and state tourney play. Brian Larson, North Star - would like to go to wood bats starting 2002 season, also have Class "C" go back to the 4 team double elimination in state play. Dennis Campbell, Crow River - would like to hold off with wood bats for one year. Art Schiangen, Stearns County, would like to hold off with wood bats for two years.

Paul Froncak, Victory - keep draft as it is, also if possible, hold off with wood bats for one year. Charles Dormanen would like to be able to draft all three from league. The board will review all these questions.

Dave Odman then introduced the winner of the 2001 Mike Downs Award - Russ Fechter of Red Wing.

No other business, motion Ott-Eastern Minny Lg, seconded Dovorak - DRS, carried, to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

Meeting called to order by President Odman at 7:30 p.m.

First order of business was election of officers. Motion Roufs, seconded Fiemeyer, carried, to elect Dave Odman as President.

Motion Fiemeyer, seconded Odman, carried, to elect Jim Fischer as 1st Vice President. Motion Fiemeyer, seconded Fischer, carried, to elect Jerome Wegscheid, as 2nd Vice President. Motion Fischer, seconded Brennan, carried, to elect Bob Zellmann, as Secretary-Treasurer.

Motion Wegscheid, seconded Brennan, carried, to set rates for handbook ads at; 1/3 page \$35.00, 1/2 page \$50.00, full page and covers \$75.00.

Motion Odman, seconded Richter, carried, to set president salary at \$750.00, secretary-treasurer \$1250.00, office rent \$1250.00, clerical \$500.00, equipment allowance \$250.00. Motion Brennan, seconded Fiemeyer, carried, to keep board expense at \$30.00 per day.

Motion Richter, seconded Fischer, carried, to set travel expense at \$.35 per mile. Roufs voted against motion. Handbook ads will be secured by Spanier at \$320.00 and Zellmann at \$350.00.

Notice to all leagues and teams in the MBA. After a lengthy discussion on wood bats, and taking into consideration all comments from leagues at the annual meeting, a motion was made by Roufs, seconded Fiemeyer, carried unanimously, that starting with the coming 2002 season, all three Classes "A", "B", and "C" will go to all wood and composite bats.

Annual meeting date was set for October 19, 2002 at the Sauk Rapids Legion, Sauk Rapids, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners will meet at 1:00 p.m., board at 2:00 p.m., dinner at 4:30 p.m., annual meeting at 5:30 p.m. Organizational meeting of the Board of Directors will follow immediately after the annual meeting.

Next meeting of the MBA is November 17, 2001 at the Holiday Inn, St. Cloud, at 1 p.m.

Remember - Wood and composite bats will go into effect this coming 2002 season. Check with your sporting goods dealers now. Make sure all teams in your league are made aware of this new change. Being no further business, motion Wegscheid, seconded Brennan, carried, to adjourn. Adjournment at 8: 15 p.m.

Bob Zellmann, MBA Secretary-Treasurer