

07/14/07 Board Meeting

Minutes of Board Meeting Saturday, July 14, 2007 Norwood, Minnesota.

Meeting called to order by President Richter at 1 p.m.

Roll call showed all directors present.

Motion Brennan, seconded Wegscheid, carried, to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as mailed.

Attending the meeting: Corey Tauer, Jim Zellmann, Tim Wolter, Mike Krenik, Bill Schleper, Mike Fahey, and Chris Damman.

Corey Tauer from Red Wing came before the board with questions on this past state tournament bid. Red Wing and Miesville were not selected to host the tournament for the years 2010, 2011, 2012. He told the board they were sure they would be selected, and were wondering why they were not. They wondered if there was a specific reason for it, and what they would have to do to correct it.

After the board members had a chance to answer some of the questions, Tauer was not totally convinced why they didn't get a bid, but he was much more satisfied with the answers. He thanked the board for letting him address the situation.

Mike Krenik, 13-60 League Secretary, explained to the board that they held a league meeting and State Directors Roufs and Hartmann were present. This meeting was called to see if the 13-60 leagues were operating with eight teams as registered or only seven teams that the board heard about.

At this meeting it was disclosed that there were only seven teams active and they were paying dues for an eighth team to make two leagues. After these findings were discussed and worked out, the 13-60 league will operate as one league with two teams going to the Region 2007.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Wegscheid, to deny the request from Miesville to play the Cottage Grove Coyotes, a non-MBA Minnesota team. Voting for: Hartmann, Rademacher, Wegscheid, Richter. Voting against: Roufs, Forsman, Barry Brennan, and Zellmann. Motion lost 5-4.

A letter was received from Wayne Erickson, Hastings, on a player from Red Wing, Steve Boldt. It was duly noted.

Motion Roufs, seconded Wegscheid, carried, to approve the Pro Player questionnaire of Arron Amondson to play for Hamel.

Motion Roufs, seconded Forsman, carried, to approve Brent Hoffmann to play for Webster, then return to the Pacific Southwest League. Should his season end, he could return to Webster for post season play, only if he meets his four-game eligibility.

Motion Roufs, seconded Forsman, carried, to approve Josh Simon to play for St. Patrick, then return to the Florida Coast League. Should his season end, he could return to St. Patrick for post season play, only if he meets his four-game eligibility.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Rademacher, carried, to approve Cory LaPlante to play in a collegiate league in New York, return to Blaine for post season play, only if he meets his four-game eligibility.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Rademacher, carried, to approve Mark Hamburger who has signed with the Twins. The right to return to the Tri City Shark for post season if released. He has already met his four-game eligibility.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Rademacher, carried, to approve Danny Reed to play for Waterloo of the Northwoods League, return to Chisago Lakes for post season play, only if he meets his four-game eligibility.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Rademacher, carried, to approve Mike Messeth to play for the Duluth Huskies of the Northwood League, return to Windom for post season play, only if he meets his four-game eligibility.

Justin Arneson was released and is eligible to play for Fergus Falls.

Motion Forsman, seconded Wegscheid, carried, to approve Chris Koonig and Brad Haag to play with the USA Athletes team, return to Waite Park Snappers for post season play, only if they meet their four-game eligibility.

Andrew Schmiesing was drafted by the Minnesota Twins, and will be playing in the Gulf Coast League. This notice was duly noted.

Motion Barry, seconded Rademacher, carried, to approve the following teams to play non-MBA teams. (Fergus Falls) Fargo Mudhens, Jamestown Elks, (Stillwater) Eau Claire, (Hastings) Prescott.

Motion Wegscheid, seconded Brennan, carried, to approve tournament sanction for Sauk Rapids Cyclones 6/23-24/07.

Motion Roufs, seconded Wegscheid, carried, to approve the list of umpires that was presented by the committee for the 2007 State Tournament.

Admission for 2007 State Tournament - adults \$5, students \$3 (one game or all day).

State tournament trailer telephone Norwood, (952) 467-1905.

People to contact for broadcasting games: Norwood – Tim Wolter, (612) 597-8996; Hamburg – Chris Damman, (612) 849-8118.

The board met next with Tournament Chairman, Chris Damman of Hamburg and Tim Wolter of Norwood. All items of concern were gone over. Parks were inspected one last time and everything is looking great. Tournament dates to remember: August 16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 31, Sept. 1, 2, 3.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Rademacher, carried, to accept the ruling made on eligibility by the Metro Minny League on the Ham Lake team and player.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Rademacher, carried to approve Steve Boldt to play for Red Wing return to Thunder Bay. Should his season end, he could return to Red Wing for post season play if he meets his four-game eligibility.

Dave Hartmann has been working with Mike Max and WCCO radio promoting Minnesota baseball. They have been on the radio twice so far.

The first time with board members, the second with former players. They have talked about the upcoming state tournament, and more important, what Minnesota baseball is all about.

They will be on the air again the end of July and in August. Check the baseball website for times and dates.

Region, Sections Commissioners:

Rosters must be completed in full and typed. All rosters must be in your hands and sent to me before teams play their first game.

Hope to see everyone at the state tournament.

Next meeting of the MBA will be Thursday, Aug. 16, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. at the Super 8 Motel, Glencoe, MN, Tele. (320) 864-6191.

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