

05/03/08 Board Meeting

Minutes of Board Meeting Chaska Legion Club Saturday, May 3, 2008

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

Roll call showed all directors present.

Motion Brennan, seconded Kreger, carried to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as mailed.

Mike Fahey of Chaska, and Jeff Jonekowski of Shakopee reported that everything is going great at the two tournament sites. Work on the field is ahead of schedule, and advertising and advance ticket sales are starting to move. Earlier in the day the board inspected the parks at Chaska, Shakopee, and their third site Prior Lake and found them in good shape.

There was a player questionnaire on Chad Griffin. However, Griffin could not be in attendance so this business was tabled until the June meeting.

Chad Yoder came before the board with a player questionnaire requesting to play for Alexandria Senators. The Resorters West League approved Yoder to play. The board reviewed Yoder's questionnaire and found that he did not meet the eligibility requirements. Motion by Roufs, seconded Forsman, carried, to deny Yoder eligibility.

Steve Schlangen and Carl Lieser fo St. Martin came before the board to appeal a decision that was handed down by the Stearns County South League that Kurt Schlangen the player in question was not eligible to play for St. Martin as he was not within the radius that was set by the Stearns County League. After lengthy discusssion, motion by Hartmann, seconded Kreger, carried, to uphold action by the Stearns County South League making Kurt Schlangen ineligible.

Matt Carrington of Morris came before the board. He had questions on player Jake Eiler to see if he was eligible to play. After reviewing Eiler's record, motion Forsman, seconded Kreger, carried to deny Eiler eligibility.

Motion Roufs, seconded Hartmann, carried to approve Adam Schrader to play in the New York Collegiate League, return to Minnesota Lake for post season play only if he meets his (4) game eligibility.

The board next met with two young ball players Jackson Hallahan and Justin Erkenbrack. Both players asked Hutchinson for a player release but they were denied. They are now asking the board to release them. After many questions by the board motion by Barry, seconded Rademacher, carried that the board grant both players a release from Hutchinson.

Motion Barry, seconded Forsman, carried to deny the player questionnaire of Jay Anderson for not meeting the player residence rule.

David Jones came before the board for rule clarification it was duly noted.

Steve Boldt returned from Thunder Bay, he will return to Red Wing for the 2008 season.

Motion Barry, seconded Rademacher, carried to approve the Miesville Mudhens to play the Saint Paul Saints.

Motion Forsman, seconded Kreger, and carried, to approve the following teams to play non MBA teams. (East Bethel) St. Croix, (St. Paul Shamrocks) St. Paul Police Dept., University of St. Thomas JV, (Maple Plain) Minneapolis Cubs, (Howard Lake) Minneapolis Cubs, (Cannon Falls) Prescott, (Midway) MSU Moorhead, (Detroit Lakes) Request permission for teams in their tournament to play Jamestown Merchants and Elks N.D., (Marshall A's) Brookings, Watertown, Dell Rapids, Brookings Tournament, (Mora) Proctor, (Luverne) Brookings, Brandon, (Essig) Hanska Bullheads, (Rosen) Watertown, SD. (Miseville) Prescott.

Motion Kreger, seconded Rademacher, carried to approve tournament sanctions for (Kingston) 6/7/08, (Hamburg) 6/6-8/08, (New Prague) 6/6-8/08, (Cannon Falls) 6/11-15/08, (Detroit Lakes) 6/12-15/08, (Howard Lake) 6/20-21/08, (Sobieski) 6/14-15/08, (Dundas) 5/30-31/08, (Red Wing) 6/12-15/08, (Gaylord) 6/14/08.

Motion Roufs, seconded Hartmann, and carried, to approve the Central Valley North and South to play each other for player eligibility. There would be no (10) run rule unless teams playing agreed to it. Number of players and their radius each team can have. Radius will be measured from ballpark to their home as the crow flies.

Motion Roufs, seconded Hartmann, and carried, to approve the 13-60 black and blue league to play each other for

player eligibility. They are not allowed to use the high school slide rule or their leagues designated hitter rule.

Next order of business was a discussion on re-classifying Plato to Class "B". The board learned there was player movement on the Plato roster with the signing of two Glencoe players Matt Odegaard and Hunter Dunbar. By doing this after winning the Class "C" State Championship, the board thought they should be moved up a class. There was some opposition to this discussion as both players were from the same school district as Plato, and players from Glencoe have played with Plato before. Also it didn't seem these two players would be that big of a factor. However, a motion by Rademacher, seconded Hartmann, to re-classify Plato to Class "B" in 2008. They will play in Class "B" for a minimum two years. The motion carried 8-1, with Zellman opposing.

Motion by Rademacher, seconded Barry, to put Plato in Section (4) for Post season play. Motion carried 7-2, with Zellman and Brennan opposing.

Motion Barry, seconded Kreger, carried, to approve the Eastern Miny North League to play the 2008 season as a three team league. In 2009 they must have (4) teams.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Kreger, carried, to raise the State Tournament ticket price for adults to \$6.00

Motion Roufs, seconded Brennan, that the State Tournament format for Class "B" will not change in 2008. For Class "C" the format will change with the last (8) teams playing double elimination, motion carried 8-1 with Barry opposing.

There was no further business to come before the board, motion by Brennan, seconded Rademacher, carried, to adjourn. Adjournment came at 4:25 pm

Next meeting of the MBA will be at the Eastside VFW, St Cloud on June 14, 2008 at 11:00am

Bob Zellman

Secretary-treasurer

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