

6/13/09 BOARD MEETING

Meeting called to order by President Richter at 10:00 AM

Roll call showed Kreger absent.

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

First order of business was reviewing two player questionnaires that were received from the Eastern Minny League

A motion by Forsman, seconded Roufs, carried, to disapprove the player questionnaire of Michael Yrjo to play for Hinckley. The board over ruled the Eastern Minny League as they found (Yrjo) was not within the radius before the March 15 dead line. Brennan Abstained

A motion by Rademacher, seconded Hartmann, carried, to disapprove the player questionnaire of David Lovly to play for Hinckley. The board overruled the Eastern Minny League as they found (Lovly) was out of the radius.

Motion Roufs, seconded Barry, carried, to approve the pro player questionnaire of Kyle Johnson to play for the Isanti Redbirds.

A motion by Forsman, seconded Rademacher, carried, to approve the following players to play in a wood bat league, or a collegiate league, return to their team for post season play providing they meet their (4) game eligibility

(Troy Larson) play for Mankato Moon dogs, return to Hastings for post season play.

(Justin Gominsky) play for Brainerd Area Lunkers, return to Hastings for post season play.

(Trent Vedders) play for Walker Transmission of the Rocky Mountain League, return to Hastings for post season play.

(Blake Schwartz) Has returned from the River Bats, and is eligible to play for Burnsville Bobcats

(Nick Judkins) play for Mankato Moon dogs, return to Elko for post season play.

(Glenn Parken) play for West Hampton of the Atlantic league, return to Elko for post season play.

Nike Kvasnicka) play for Brainerd Area Lunkers, return to Elko for post season play.

(Bret Mitchell) play for Rochester Honkers, return to Prior Lake Mud cats for post season play.

(Chris Braaten) has returned from Thunder Bay Border Cats, is eligible to play for Norway Lake/ Sunburg

(Kurt Schlangen) play for St. Cloud River, return to Avon for post season play.

(Josh Smith) play in collegiate league in New York, return to Owatonna for post season play.

(Benjamin Hager) has returned from Thunder Bay, is eligible to play for Owatonna

(Kyle Gleason) play for a wood bat league in Wis., return to Chaska for post season play.

(Justin Schwecke) play for wood bat league in Penn., return to Gibbon for post season play.

Motion Barry, seconded Rademacher, carried to approve the following MBA teams to play Non-MBA teams:

(Adrian) Brandon Merchants, Sioux Falls\

(Jackson) Carroll, IA

(Wenton) Fargo Moorhead Spartans

(Clinton) Fargo Moorhead Spartans

(Red Rooster) Osceola, Eau Claire

(Rochester Road Runners) LaCrescent, Hager City

Motion Hartmann, seconded Barry, carried, to approve the following tournament sanctions: Freeport 5/15-17-2009, Victoria 6/12-14/09, Milaca Stingers 6/20/09.

Motion Forsman, seconded Roufs, carried, to approve Fairfax to host "A Fun Night" The Hanska Bullheads over 35 will play Fairfax. There will be some former Twins present to sign autographs and play a few innings.

In April the board received information via the web site that Matt Doornink was playing for the Menomonie Eagles in Wis., and also for the Rosemount Black Sox in the 2008

season. The board had no proof of this other than the website so the board requested that Doornink and the Rosemount manager come before the board to answer questions and clear this matter up. With Doornink still in school it made it hard to find time to make a meeting. On the morning of the June 13th MBA meeting, Secretary Zellmann got a call from the Rosemount manager wanting to know if they still had to appear before the board because Doornink was to have Arm Surgery and would be out of baseball 8-10 weeks. Zellmann replied that they didn't have to make this meeting but no matter what Doornink could not play until the board made their final ruling. Zellmann was then informed by the Rosemount manager that Doornink had sent a letter to Director Roufs, and they meaning Rosemount would be waiting for the minutes to come out to see what the board's reaction will be after reading the letter. Director Roufs read the letter and it clearly states, and he admitted, that he played for Menomonie while under contract with Rosemount. After a long discussion a motion by Roufs, seconded Hartmann, carried, that Matthew Doornink be suspended from MBA Baseball for one year, and must be reinstated by the MBA board before he will be eligible to play. Sanctions were also laid down on the Rosemount Black Sox (They will not be eligible for post season play in 2009) (Rosemount roster will be frozen, players will not be allowed to be released to go to other teams) (No players can be drafted from the Rosemount Team) Team and players must be reinstated to clear all sanctions before they can compete in the 2010 season. The Rosemount Black Sox will be given a chance to appeal all sanctions.

We received some good news this past week from the Minnesota State High School League, They made an exception to Baseball which will allow High School coaches and student athletes to participate on the same non-school team. This policy interpretation is consistent with other MSHSL policies that have been modified to reflect the long standing tradition of town team baseball.

The board would like to take this time to say Thank You to Verni Anderson for his many years of dedication to Amateur Baseball. We wish you the best Verni.

Chris Baso will take over the secretary jobs for the Lake and Pine Leagues,

Tony Beneke reported on the tournament sites, everything is on schedule. Final sale on their advance tickets will be August 15'h.

(League Secretaries)

Please get your contracts and releases sent in, there are a few leagues I haven't received anything from. Final roster date is June 30th . All league rosters must be in the State office by July 7.

Next meeting of the MBA will be July 18th , 2009 at the Gaylord Legion Club (1:00 PM).

No further business to come before the board, motion Roufs, seconded Brennan carried, to adjourn. Adjournment coming at 12-45 PM

Bob Zellmann
Secretary-MBA