

# 9/16/10 MEETING MINUTES

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

East Side VFW, St. Cloud, MN

Saturday, October 16, 2010

Meeting called to order by President Richter at 1:00 PM

All Directors were present

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

Dave Style chairman for Glencoe one of 2011 State Tournament sites, reported to the board that everything is taking place at the Glencoe site. Fence lines and Bull Pens are being re-done, also the infield is being groomed, and new sod is being put in where needed. He was not made aware what is taking place at the Brownton park, but said he knew they were working on a few projects.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Barry, carried, to approve the eligibility of all players to play in a New Prague Alumni game.

Motion Roufs, seconded Rademacher, carried, to approve the following players to play in the (TCMABL) Fall Baseball League: Lance Anderson, Rick Aubuchon, Matt Doomick, Phil Goedderz, Ron Holstrom, Jason Kirschman, Chris Komorouski, Darren McEathron, Grant Mohwinkel, Dave Molde, Dave Neudecker, Jon Radmacher, Mark Radmacher, Loren Sjoquist, Matt Tschida, Justin Wallace.

Motion Brennan, seconded Kreger, carried, to place an "Ad" in the Minnesota State High School Coaches handbook. \$150.00

Mark Juberian from Fitzgerald Sports came before the board thanking the board for giving them the opportunity to supply the baseballs for this years State Tournament, and if the board was satisfied or if any complaints were filed. Juberian also stated that should the board change their way on selecting baseballs, they would like the opportunity to work with them.

Steve Loos representing DaVinci Software came before the board. He told the board his mission was to have a joint venture between the Minnesota Baseball Association, and DaVinci Software. This program would provide space on our website for all teams connected with the MBA. Teams could put their roster, league schedules, batting average, scores, or any player or team statistics. DaVinci Software will assume all operating costs. After two years the MBA and DaVinci will evaluate their joint agreement, should "Ad" revenue meet DaVinci expectations, the MBA could see some profit sharing starting in 2013. There will be more information once this program gets started. There was a motion by Barry, seconded Kreger, carried, to join venture with DaVinci Software to redesign and update the MBA website.

The auditing committee met and completed their audit. The region section commissioners met at 3:00 PM and discussed items of concern. The meeting was recessed for dinner.

Meeting was called back to order by President Richter at 5:30 PM.

Roll call showed all directors present.

In attendance- Section Commissioners: #1 Dan Plein, #3 John Brelmhorst, #4 Robert Reinhart, # 5 Josh Wigley, # 6 Greg Tulla, # 7 Mike Kieke, # 8 Bruce Rosenow.

Region Commissioners: #1 Tom Heifort, # 3 Marlin Reinardy, # 4 Mike Krenik, #7 Gerald Roepke, # 8 Paul Froncak, # 15 Randy Schoenberg.

Leagues: Cannon Valley Classic American, Com Belt North, Com Belt South, Crow River North, Crow River South, DRS Red, Eastern Minny West, Hi- 10, Lake & Pine North, Land O'Ducks Canvas, Metro Minny Red, North Star East, North Star Central, North Star West, Steams County North, Steams County South, Victory East, Victory South, Victory West.

(Guests) 7

After a welcome statement by President Richter, the following committees were appointed: (Credentials): Roufs, Brennan (Nominating): Barry, Rademacher, Meyer, J. Brennan (Tellers): Barry, Rademacher, Meyer, J Brennan

Board Members: Report on assigned committees they were on.

Secretary-Treasurer-Zellmann: Reviewed the financial report, Mike Nagel of Olivia a member of the auditing committee stated the audit showed the financial statement to be correct, balanced, and complete. Board member Hartmann also concurred that the financial statement was correct and complete.

Nominating Committee: Reported the following nominees for election to the board of directors, Mark Forsman, Dave Hartmann, Joe Kreger. President Richter called for nominations from the floor. After the required number of times, motion Herb Koch, seconded Mike Kieke, carried, to close nominations and submit a unanimous ballot for the three incumbents to serve a three year term on the Minnesota Baseball Board.

John Briemhorst reported on the Commissioners meeting. Their main concern was that the final game of the Region and Section Tournament be completed on Sunday before the State Tournament. Section # 5 will not (draft) players in 2011. What we can do to boost attendance.

The floor was then open for discussion; eligibility (should the penalty for the team be the same as the players when the player presents wrong information) (Put all Class "C" at one site) (Keep attendance separate by classes) (re-classifying teams).

At this time President Richter told the assembly that the board had received a number of requests from teams that wanted to be re-classified. But at this time these requests were tabled as the board was looking into a new procedure on re-classifying teams. Dave Hartmann explained one program, where (Class "A" would stay the same) (the next class would be the top 32 teams, this class would have no draft, and no radius restrictions) (The 3'd class would be the remaining teams, their draft would be (two) pitchers only and that would be done when they complete their Region or Section). They would use the State radius.

Fred Roufs explained the second program: Class "A" would remain the same (the next class would be the top 24 or Super Class; they would have no draft, and no radius.) (Class 3 would be next and have around 64-80 teams, they would play in a section after league play, they could draft two pitchers only, play by state radius.) Class 4 would be like our "C" teams. They would operate just as they do now. The size of team rosters, and how teams could re-classify, along with other things are still to be worked out. A voluntary task force of Dan Plein, Mike Nagel, Gerald Roepke, Paul Froncak, Todd Hottory, Bruce Rosenow, Jamie Heiple, Greg Tulla, Mark Jorgenson, Buddy Beier, Mike Kirenik, Tom Ludwig, Mike Kieke, will meet with the State Board Friday November 19th 2010 at the St. Cloud Holiday Inn 7:00 PM. Business will be on addressing a new procedure on re-classifying all teams in the MBA. These two programs have only been addressed, nothing has been finalized.

Tom Rademacher introduced the winner of the 2010 Mike Downs Award-Buddy Beier.

Being no further business to come before the board, motion Jim Zellmann, seconded Herb Koch, carried to adjourn. Adjournment coming at 7:20 PM.

Meeting called to order by President Richter at 7:40 PM.

All directors present.

First order of business was election of Officers.

Motion Forsman, seconded Rademacher, carried, to submit a unanimous ballot for the three incumbents. For President: John Richter, for Vice President: Fred Roufs, For Sect. Treasure: Bob Zellmann.

Motion Hartmann, seconded Brennan, carried, to approve rates for Handbook Ad's, 1/3 page \$35.00, 1/2 page \$50.00, covers and full page \$75.00, center fold \$400.00 each site.

Motion Kreger, seconded Rademacher, carried, to set President salary at \$1000.00, Secretary Treasure \$3000.00, Office Rent \$2000.00, Equipment Allowance \$1000.00, Clerical \$1000.00, Secure Handbook Ad's \$1000.00.

Annual meeting for 2011 was set for October 15th, 2011 East Side VFW.

Motion Rademacher, seconded Roufs, carried to set board expense at \$30.00 per day, mileage at \$.50 per mile.

The next meeting of the MBA will be November 19th 7:00 PM at the Holiday Inn, St. Cloud with the task force. Then on Saturday November 20th the board will meet at 11:00 AM at the Holiday Inn St. Cloud for its regular meeting.

There being no further business, motion Kreger, seconded Barry to adjourn. Adjournment coming at 9:15 PM.

Bob Zellmann  
Secretary-Treasurer MBA

