

**MEETING MINUTES 02/18/2017**

**EASTSIDE VFW - ST. CLOUD, MN**

**TIME – 11:00 AM**

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT RICHTER**

**THERE WERE 14 DEDICATED BASEBALL ENTHUSIASTS PRESENT**

**ROLL CALL SHOWED ALL MEMBER PRESENT**

**MOTION BRENNAN, SECOND KREGER, CARRIED TO ACCEPT MINUTES FROM JANUARY MEETING**

**TIM ALEXANDER, GREEN ISLE, RICH SCHIG, HAMBURG AND CHARLIE STORMS, NORWOOD SPOKE ON BEHALF OF EACH SITE AND GAVE AN UPDATE FOR THE 2017 TOURNAMENT**

**TOM MARQUARDT – KIMBALL EXPRESS WAS PRESENT AND DISCUSSED THE CENTRAL VALLEY RULE RESTRICTION REGARDING HAVING A PLAYER (GRANDSON) BEING ALLOWED TO HAVE NO RESTRICTIONS. THE BOARD RECOMMENDED THAT HE GO BACK AND ADDRESS THE SITUATION WITH THE LEAGUE.**

**MOTION NAGEL, SECOND FORSMAN, CARRIED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TOURNAMENT SANCTIONS FOR THE 2017 SEASON:**

- MORRIS EAGLES “MIKE JOHNSON MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT” 6/2-6/4**
- FARMING FLAMES 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL BASEBALL TOURNAMENT JUNE 23-25**
- ROSEN EXPRESS FOR THE BUSCH LIGHT INVITATIONAL 6/23-6/25. ALL TEAMS ELIGIBLE TO PLAY CASTLEWOOD, SD**
- ELKO FOR THEIR TOURNAMENT 6/2-6/4**
- JORDAN/SHAKOPEE FOR THE “COORS LIGHT CLASSIC” 7/7-7/9**

**MOTION KREGER, SECOND LEMKE, CARRIED TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING TEAMS TO PLAY NON-MBA TEAMS FOR THE 2017 SEASON:**

- CHAMPLIN LOGATORS TO PLAY RIVER FALLS, WI ON 6/18**
- ISANTI REDBIRDS TO PLAY OSCEOLA, WI 5/20**
- FARIBAULT LAKERS TO PLAY RIVER FALLS, WI 6/9**
- FOREST LAKE BREWERS TO PLAY OSCEOLA BRAVES 5/17, RIVER FALLS 6/10 AND ST. CROIX HISTORICAL SOCIETY 7/1**
- COKATO KERNELS TO PLAY 2 GAMES IN TEXAS ON 4/22 AND 4/23**
- EAST BETHEL TO PLAY NEW RICHMOND, WI ON 6/28**
- FIRST NITE AND GOPHER LEAGUES TO PLAY SIOUX FALLS TEAMS AND THE WELCOME OUTLAWS (OVER 35) IN EXHIBITION GAMES**

**-HADLEY TO PLAY LARCHWOOD, IA**

**IT IS DULY NOTED THAT NICK BRUNING AND TAYLOR RIGNELL, HADLEY BUTTERMAKERS, TO PLAY IN SOUTH DAKOTA AND HADLEY IN 2017.**

**IT IS DULY NOTED THAT PAUL MESSNER, HADLEY BUTTERMAKERS, TO PLAY FOR THE SDSU CLUB TEAM AND HADLEY IN 2017**

**MOTION BRENNAN, SECOND NAGEL, CARRIED TO ALLOW THE NORTHSTAR LEAGUE TO HAVE A 15 MILE RADIUS FOR THE 2017 SEASON**

**THE BOARD REVIEWED THE CLASS B SECTIONS AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE 4 SECTIONS WILL REMAIN AS DISCUSSED AT THE NOVEMBER, 2016 MEETING.**

**MARK FORSMAN, MIKE NAGEL AND BRIAN DOLAN GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE CRITERIA PROJECT. IT WAS DETERMINED THAT APPROXIMATELY 60+ MBA TEAMS HAVE NOT INPUT THEIR ROSTER AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO DO SO BY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>. THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR. THE BOARD HOPES TO HAVE MORE SPECIFIC DATA BY THE APRIL MEETING FOR REVIEW AND DISCUSSION.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**INFORMATION WAS REVIEWED RELATIVE TO THE MBA LOAN FUND WITH UPDATING OF OUR CONSTITUTION. MOTION NAGEL, SECOND LEMKE, CARRIED TO APPROVE**

**MOTION ROUFS, SECOND KREGER, CARRIED TO APPROVE THE NEW LOAN FUND FORMS AND FORMAT FOR FUTURE USE.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**JOE KREGER GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF BUSINESS IMPACT GROUP'S (BIG) PROPOSAL TO BECOME A CORPORATE SPONSOR OF THE MBA. THEY PROPOSED TO AWARD NEW UNIFORMS TO CLASS B AND C CHAMPIONS FOR THE 2017, 2018 AND 2019 STATE TOURNAMENTS. THEIR DESIRE IS TO SOLICIT MBA TEAMS FOR THE PROSPECT OF POSSIBLY DOING BUSINESS WITH THEM IN THE FUTURE AND WANTING AN ENDORSEMENT FROM THE MBA.**

**WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS MOTION BRENNAN, SECOND NAGEL, CARRIED TO ADJOURN AT 2:12 PM.**