

## **MBA April 12, 2014 Minutes**

**Saturday, April 12, 2014**

**Eastside VFW, St. Cloud, MN**

**Time: 10:00 AM**

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

There were twenty seven dedicated baseball people in attendance

Roll call showed that all members were present

Motion Brennan, seconded Barry, carried 9-0, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting

Ron Beckman from Jordan was present to update the Board on the planning phases for the 2014 State Tournament

Motion Barry, seconded Richter, carried 7-2, to realign Elk River and move them into Section 8 for playoff purposes. This was done to allow the North Star League teams to compete in the same section. It was also decided to rotate three teams from the Metro Minny annually to align sections with 8 teams each going forward

Michael Robohm's request to use parents address to play Class B or C was tabled to the May meeting to gather additional information

Motion Kreger, seconded Barry, carried 9-0, to deny the eligibility of Brady Klingfus who was represented by Dale Hess, Paynesville to play with Paynesville for the 2014 season due to the fact that he established residency after March 15th

Motion Hartmann, seconded Kreger, carried 9-0, to approve Chris Baso, to return to MBA to play with Midway under the Heritage/Hometown Rule

Motion Roufs, seconded Forsman, carried 9-0, to approve Sean Lindstrom to play with St. Francis under the Heritage/Hometown Rule

Motion Roufs, seconded Barry, carried 9-0, to approve Todd Fuller to play with Maple Lake under the Heritage/Hometown Rule

Motion Zellmann, seconded Rademacher, carried 9-0, to approve the Pro Player Questionnaire for Dan Kaczowski, to return to the MBA to play with St. Anthony

Motion Barry, seconded Kreger, carried 9-0, to approve the player questionnaire to allow Jesse Berg to play with Delano for the 2014 season

Motion Forsman, seconded Zellmann, carried 9-0, to deny Justin Thompson's request to play for Sartell as a Class C player

Motion Zellmann, seconded Kreger, carried 9-0, to approve the North Star League Class C League to have a 15 mile radius

It was duly noted that the North Star League (Class B teams) will use the 30 mile radius and will play the teams in their section during the regular season that will count toward player eligibility for playoffs

It was duly noted that Donald Strand, Lamberton, will play for a South Dakota team while continuing to play for Lamberton for the 2014 season

Aaron Jenkins, Nisswa, was present to discuss the eligibility of Mizuki Shumsky to play in 2014. It was determined that the Board needed more information and the request was tabled until either the May or June meeting

Motion Barry, seconded Roufs, carried 9-0 to deny the request of JD Wells, Anoka to allow a Bethel Student Athlete, to play for Anoka for the 2014 season

Motion Forsman, seconded Barry, carried 9-0, to approve the following team tournaments: Elko/New Market 6/6-6/8, Lake Henry/St. Martin 6/6-6/8, Dundas Dukes 6/6-6/8, Howard Lake 6/20-6/21, Green Isle/Hamburg 6/19-6/22, Stockmen's Irish 6/26-6/29, and Detroit Lakes Angels 6/4-6/8

Motion Zellmann, seconded Brennan, carried 9-0, to approve the following teams to play Non-MBA teams:

- Detroit Lakes to play Fargo Mets and also to play in the Jamestown, ND tournament. Also for all Minnesota teams to play the Jamestown ND Elks and the Jamestown ND Merchants in their tournament
- Pine Island to play La Crescent 5/23 and to play St. Paul Hops 6/1
- Hibbing to play the Spooner Bandits four games this year
- DC Saints to play Minneapolis Cubs
- Coon Rapids request to play in the River Falls tournament 6/20-6/22 and also request to play New Richland on 6/1 and 6/7

Motion Kreger, seconded Rademacher, carried 9-0, to approve the Northwest Border League's request for a 45 mile radius extension for 2014

It was duly noted that the Board received from the Upsala Blue Jays a request for a \$4,000 loan from the revolving loan fund

Motion Zellmann, seconded Roufs, carried 9-0 to renew CJ Siewert's contract for another year

Motion Forsman, seconded Roufs, carried 9-0 to approve the Metro Minny All Stars to play the St. Paul Saints

Mark Juberian discussed the approved MBA baseball specifications and requested clarification on what baseballs are approved for the State Tournament

Break for Lunch with Region/Section Commissioners at 11:45 am

Meeting was resumed at 12:30 pm

Joe Kreger presented and reviewed the Regions for Class C and Section for Class B for the 2014 season

After some discussion there was a motion by Dallas Jelmborg, seconded by Tom Rademacher, carried, to approve the Regions and Sections for the 2014 season

Materials were then distributed to all Commissioners who were present

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Motion Zellmann, seconded Forsman, carried 9-0, to pay DaVinci Software \$2,000 for Webmaster fees for 2014, as well as, the Old Republic Surety bond of \$100

CJ Siewert presented to the Board the concept of having 1-2 summer interns to assist him with writing articles for the MBA website to get a broader coverage of the state amateur teams. Motion Forsman, seconded Barry, carried 9-0 to allow CJ to engage up to two college students to work as non-paid summer interns under his guidance and jurisdiction from May/June through September 2014

With no further business, motion Kreger, seconded Brennan, carried, to adjourn at 1:20 PM

Next MBA meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn in St. Cloud at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Dave Hartmann, MBA Secretary