

DRS League Meeting Minutes  
Monday April 6, 2009  
Classic Bar & Grill – New Prague, MN

Meeting called to order by President, Jerry Walerius. Roll call showed all teams present.

Chris Hertaus submitted the treasurer's report. The report showed the league is in good financial shape. Union Hill, St. Benedict and Montgomery all still owed for 2009 league dues and baseball orders.

Posters with the league schedule were discussed. There were only several outstanding sponsorships to collect. Businesses were assigned to individual teams.

Rules changes made by the MBA for 2009 were discussed. The biggest was the requirement of each team to submit GPS coordinates or an address for their ballpark. These coordinates will be used to measure the 30 mile radius from which a team can draw players from. All teams are required to submit this information to their league secretary. This address will remain permanent unless a team changed ballparks. Teams are directed to use [www.gpsvisualizer.com](http://www.gpsvisualizer.com) for this exercise.

Contracts and releases were covered again. All forms needed can be downloaded from the state web site at [www.minnesotabaseball.org](http://www.minnesotabaseball.org). Since our league meeting the rule for signing a new player has changed. Any player seeking to sign a first time contract, does not need to obtain a release from another team. That player is free to sign with whomever they choose as long as they meet the league radius requirements.

Confirmed that the All-Star Game will be held in New Prague on Friday July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Each division met to determine their playoff format for 2009. Red division will play a round robin format with 2 teams advancing to regions. Blue and White will play 1 vs. 4 and 2 vs. 3 in a best of 3 format with winning 2 teams advancing to regions. Red division will compete in Region 4. Blue and White divisions will compete in Region 3.

Discussed changing division alignment from year to year based on finishing record. After much debate, it was decided to leave current format as is.

The next meeting of the DRS will be held on Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be at St. Patrick Bar. Be prepared with your playoff rosters and All-Star game nominees for this meeting. Notification of final time for the meeting will be determined.