

April 18, 2020 Meeting Minutes

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MBA MEETING AGENDA

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2020

VIRTUAL MEETING UTILIZING ZOOM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT RICHTER AT 3:00 PM

ROLL CALL SHOWED THAT ALL BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT

MOTION LEMKE, SECOND BRENNAN, CARRIED TO ACCEPT MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

CURRENTLY AMATEUR BASEBALL IN MINNESOTA IS CLOSED. THERE WILL BE NO GAMES PLAYED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. WE WILL NOT START OUR SEASON UNTIL THE GOVERNOR OPENS UP BASEBALL AND GIVE US PERMISSION TO START PLAY. ONCE THE GOVERNOR SAYS GO, OUR GAMES CAN START THE NEXT DAY, BUT UNTIL THEN, UNFORTUNATELY, BASEBALL IN MINNESOTA IS ON HOLD. IF THERE WILL BE SPECIAL RULES THAT WE WILL NEED TO ADHERE TO, WE WILL GET THEM TO YOU BEFORE THE SEASON STARTS AND WILL BE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE. THE BOARD IS OPTIMISTIC THAT WE WILL HAVE A BASEBALL SEASON. THE BOARD WILL BE SENDING A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR REQUESTING/URGING HIM TO OPEN UP BASEBALL AS SOON AS PRACTICAL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE!

THE BOARD RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE NEW ULM/SPRINGFIELD TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS UPDATING US ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AT EACH OF THE BALLPARKS AND INDICATED THAT THEY ARE ON TRACK FOR THE 2020 STATE TOURNAMENT. THEY ALSO NOTED SOME ISSUES THAT THEY ARE FACING WITH REGARD TO THE PROGRAM ADS AND GETTING COMMITMENTS FROM BUSINESSES THAT ARE NOT OPERATIONAL DUE TO COVID-19. THEY HAD SOME QUESTIONS, ALONG WITH MANY PEOPLE IN THE AMATEUR BASEBALL WORLD, AS TO WHETHER OR NOT WE WILL HAVE A SEASON.

MOTION BRENNAN, SECOND SCHLEPER, CARRIED TO REINSTATE THE ROSEAU ROYALS TO THE MBA FOR PLAY IN 2020.

MOTION NAGEL, SECOND LEMKE, CARRIED TO APPROVE LOGAN SIEMERS REQUEST TO UTILIZE THE HOMETOWN RULE TO PLAY WITH THE ST. STEPHEN STEVES.

MOTION NAGEL, SECOND ROUFS, CARRIED TO ALLOW CHRIS FELLOWS REQUEST TO UTILIZE THE HOMETOWN RULE TO RETURN TO PLAY WITH THE ORTONVILLE ROX.

MOTION KREGER, SECOND SCHLEPER, CARRIED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TOURNAMENT SANCTIONS:

-NEW PRAGUE ORIOLES TOURNAMENT 6/12-6/14. AND TO ALLOW ALL MN TEAMS TO PLAY KEWASKUM, WI THAT ARE IN THE TOURNAMENT

-CANNON FALLS BEARS TOURNAMENT 6/10-6/14

-SARTELL MUSKIES & ST. STEPHEN STEVES TOURNAMENT 5/29-5/31.

-GREEN ISLE AND HAMBURG TOURNAMENT 6/19-6/21. ALSO TO ALL ALL TEAMS IN THE TOURNAMENT TO PLAY OSCEOLA, WI

-VICTORIA VICS FOR THE MIKE POPPITZ MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT 6/19-6/21

-MORRIS EAGLES FOR THE MIKE JOHNSON MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT 6/5-6/7

MOTION LEMKE, SECOND BRENNAN, CARRIED TO ALLOW THE LAND O'DUCKS LEAGUE A 5 MILE RADIUS EXTENSION

IT IS DULY NOTED REGARDING BOB DOLAN, MILROY IRISH REQUEST TO ALLOW COLLEGE SENIORS THAT ARE GRADUATING AND RELOCATED TO NOT HAVE TO ADHERE TO THE MARCH 15TH RESIDENCY RULE. THIS WILL BE DISCUSSED IN NOVEMBER WHEN THE BOARD REVIEWS ALL OF OUR RULES.

MOTION LEMKE, SECOND KREGER, CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CRVL AND THE RVL'S REQUEST TO PLAY AN ALL STAR GAME ON 5/30

MOTION NAGEL, SECOND SCHLEPER, CARRIED TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING TEAMS TO PLAY NON MBA TEAMS:

-ROCHESTER ROYALS TO PLAY RIVER FALLS, WI 6/3 AND EAU CLAIRE, WI 6/4

-CLEARWATER REQUESTS TO PLAY BECKER BUZZARDS (OVER 35) 6/27

-ISANTI REDBIRDS TO PLAY OSCEOLA, WI 6/29

-STILLWATER LOGGERS TO PLAY OSCEOLA, WI 6/24 AND NEW RICHMOND, WI 7/18

-CANNON FALLS BEARS TO PLAY RIVER FALLS, WI 5/15 AND 7/22

-FARIBAULT LAKERS TO PLAY RIVER FALLS WI 7/10

MOTION SCHLEPER, SECOND LEMKE, CARRIED TO ALLOW PAT KRALL TO PLAY WITH HAMPTON

MOTION SCHLEPER, SECOND NAGEL, CARRIED TO ALLOW JACK RASMUSSEN TO PLAY WITH NORTHFIELD

IT IS DULY NOTED THAT DONALD STRAND, LAMBERTON WILL PLAY WITH RENNER MONARCHS, SD AND LAMBERTON

IT IS DULY NOTED THAT NICK BRUNING, HADLEY WILL PLAY WITH HADLEY AND GARRETSON, SD

IT IS DULY NOTED THAT TYSON SONNENBURG AND AUSTIN BUYSSE, MINNEOTA MUDHENS WILL PLAY WITH VOLGA, SD AND MINNEOTA

MOTION KREGER, SECOND BRENNAN, CARRIED STATING THE MBA WILL NOT ADOPT THE MLB RULE REGARDING TRIPS TO THE MOUND.

THE CLASS B SECTIONS FOR 2020 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: Dundas, Elko, Hampton, Miesville, New Market, Northfield, Rochester Royals (7)

SECTION 2: Brainerd Bees, Cold Spring Springers, Moorhead Brewers, Moorhead Mudcats, Sobieski Skis, Beaudreau's Saints - St. Cloud (6)

SECTION 3: Burnsville, Chanhassen, Chaska, Eagan, Excelsior Islanders, Prior Lake Jay's, Shakopee Indians, Victoria (8)

SECTION 4: Andover, Anoka, Blaine, Centennial, Champlin Park, Coon Rapids, Forest Lake, St. Michael (8)

THE CLASS C REGIONS FOR 2020 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

REGION 1:Eastern MN North, Eastern MN South, Eastern MN Central (2)

REGION 2:Tomahawk East (3)

REGION 3:DRS (4)

REGION 4:Corn Belt, County Line (3)

REGION 5:Classic Cannon Valley, Twin Rivers ((3)

REGION 6:River Valley West, 13-60 (3)

REGION 7:Crow River North, Crow River South (4)

REGION 8:Victory East, Victory North, Victory South, Victory West (4)

REGION 9:Land O'Ducks Teal, Land O'Ducks Wood (2)

REGION 10:Red River, Northwest Border (2)

REGION 11:Central Valley North, Sauk Valley East, Sauk Valley West (3)

REGION 12:NorthStar Central (4)

REGION 13:1st Nite, Gopher (3)

REGION 14:HI-10, Lake and Pine (2)

REGION 15:Stearns County North, Stearns County South, Central Valley South (4)

REGION 16:Resorters West, Resorters East, Countryside (2)

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

With no further business, Motion Lemke, second Schleper, carried to adjourn at 4:36 pm

Next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 2 with time and location to be determined.

Respectfully submitted by Dave Hartmann, MBA Secretary