

**Minnesota Senior Men's Amateur Baseball Association Incorporated
Winter Meeting
March 7, 2015**

**VFW Post 4046, Shakopee Minnesota
Fellowship Breakfast 9am
Annual Meeting Called to Order by President Duane Gaulke at 9:58 am**

I - Roll Call: Present

**President Duane Gaulke
Vice President Pete Moulton
Acting Secretary Jeff Knutson
Director Carl Kiser
Director Curtis Romano
Director Gary Gulbrandson
Director Brad Busch
Director Rich Ellis**

**League Representatives
Northwest Gary Kern
River Valley Ken Schmidt**

**Absent
None**

II - Introduction by President Gaulke of Board Members and League Representatives

III - Introduction of attending assembly included 32 teams, including but not inclusive; Burnsville, Minnetonka, Southwest, Waconia, Belle Plaine, North, Crosstown, Jordan, Becker, Prior Lake, St. Peter, Roseville, Cold Springs, Mpls., Le Sueur, Gaylord, St. Louis Park, Blomington, and Alexandria,

IV - Review of voting members, motions, and procedures by President Gaulke

V – Minutes of last meeting read by acting secretary Jeff Knutson

Motion for approval by Carl Kiser

Second by Pete Moulton

No discussion

Unanimous approval

VI – Financial Report read by President Duane Gaulke

See financial report dated Financial report [2014]

Motion for approval by Carl Kiser

Second by Gary Kern

No discussion

Unanimous approval

VII- Reports from Committees

Ken Schmidt reviewed seeding and arbitrations

Gary Kern nothing reported

VIII- Remembrance and Honoring Players of the Past

Nothing to report

VIII- Oldest Player and Team

Vice President Pete Moulton acknowledged 2014 recipients

Oldest Player - Myron Flugge, Searles Bullheads, 69 yoa

Oldest Team – Menahga Sebeka Relics Avg. Age 50.8 years

X- League Reports

River Valley League Representative Ken Schmidt

See River Valley League Report dated 04/02/2015

Highlights-League Results and League Survey

President Gaulke acknowledged Ken's efforts

Northwest League Representative Gary Kern

Highlights-6 teams 2014 and 5-8 teams 2015

No commitments as of date

President Gaulke acknowledged Gary's efforts

XI-State Committee Host Site Report by Director Brad Busch

Sites: Norwood, Hamburg, Green Isle, Arlington, and Gaylord

One Complaint – Scheduling of start time.

Overall good feedback

XII- 2014 State Tournament Results and Presentation of Awards

Presented by Vice President Pete Moulton

Class AA	Prior Lake Mariners 8	Searles Bullheads 3
Class A	Southwest Outlaws 5	Urbank Goldtimers 3
Class B	Waconia Islanders 3	Prior Lake Pacers 1
Class C	TC Goats 8	Verndale Geezers 4

XIII- Old Business

2014 State Tournament Site reviewed by President Duane Gaulke.

Pete Moulton inquired on site process for tournament selection. Moulton requested explanation for selection by committee. Ken Schmidt explained process. Moulton indicated that St. Peter's was the only one submitted. Moulton expressed concern about future transparency for future consideration.

No other future business for discussion.

XIV- New Business

Discussion of policy for accepting new teams.

Director Rich Ellis reviewed 2013 minutes

Indicating "no strings attached"

New Teams are to apply to League Representative for 2016

Gary Gulbrandson motioned for approval

Pete Moulton second

No additional discussion

8/2 approval

League Games – Completion Date and Tournament Dates

No league games may be scheduled beyond August 5th

All make-up games to be completed by August 9th

State Tournament Dates August 22-23, 29-30

State Tournament Sites (Determined by committee)

Rich Ellis motioned for approval

Pete Moulton second

No additional discussion

10/0 approval

State dues @\$350 w/2 dozen baseballs

State tournament entry fee @\$300 per team

**Issues not related to rules change
Nothing discussed**

**Recommend that all leagues establish a 3 man arbitration board
w/2 reserve arbitrators to call on in case of team affiliation
conflict and policy handling protest.
Tabled by President Gaulke**

XV – Hall of Fame Update by Colin Quinn

**Verbal Report on Inaugural Induction, highlights are;
2014 Inductees are (?)
Selection is by merit not stats
Selection Committee is governed by past players
Individual Names can be submitted to Colin Quinn,
Rich Ellis, or Troy Mahoney
Inquiries referred to Colin**

XVI – Rule Proposal Changes:

**1-Eliminate Paragraph 3&4 page 19 [1-1 count] 7 innings full
count shall constitute a completed game. Teams will be allowed to
revert to 1-1 count or full count 7 or 9 innings by mutual agreement of
both teams prior to the start of the game.**

Motion to approve by Pete Moulton

Second by Curtis Romano

**Discussion included clarification by Gary Gulbrandson for State
Tournament use.**

10/0 approval

**2-Teams shall be allowed to roster a limited number of active
Minnesota Amateur Baseball Players who will attain, the age of
40 during the calendar year. Active Amateur pitchers shall be
required to 42 years of age, during the calendar year.**

No motion

Discussion required a modification.

Motion on the floor required age of amateur pitcher to be 40.

10/0 approval

**3-Team Rosters shall be required to indicate players MBA status
Motion to approve by Brad Busch
Second by Curtis Romano
10/0 approval**

**4-page 21-22 nine position players plus DH. Proposal: Allow
teams using 10 man batting rotation to use an additional DH
only for the pitcher or catcher.**

Tabled

Director Moulton suggested a trial run in the River Valley League

**5-Entertain Applications by prospective team's representative
for acceptance to the MSMABA.**

**Northwest League Representative Gary Kern
recommended Clarissa Club for the NW League
10/0 approval**

**MSMABA Director Rich Ellis recommended Alexander
Clippers, Becker Buzzards, Cold Spring Silver Springers,
and Fort Ripley Silver Rebels to form the new Central
League with Brian Boutain, League Rep.
10/0 approval**

**MSMABA Director Rich Ellis recommended Minnetonka
Lakers, Rosemount Pipers, Bloomington Crosstown
Traffic, Apple Valley A's, Burnsville Bulldogs, and Gaylord
to the River Valley League
10/0 approval**

6-Possible 3 teams not at meeting may have interest.

Motion by Pete Moulton

Second by Gary Gulbrandson

**Discussion included and required any teams deadline will
Be March 15th for upcoming season**

10/0 approval

Motion to adjourn at 12:05

Carl Kiser motion

Curt Romano seconded

**10/0 approval
Executive Meeting for Board/Committee Officers/Members**

Following the Annual Meeting the “Then Existing Board” elected expired terms by white ballot.

- 1st Ballot Selectee – Gary Gulbrandson**
- 2nd Ballot Selectee – John Weber**
- 3rd Ballot Selectee – Jeff Appel**

Following verification of votes by Gary Kern and Jeff Knutson

2015 Executive Committee	[ets]
President – Gary Gulbrandson	3/15/2018
Vice President – Pete Moulton	3/15/2016
Secretary – Jeff Knutson	3/15/2017
Treasurer – Curtis Romano	3/15/2017

2015 Directors

Brad Busch	3/15/2016
Rich Ellis	3/15/2016
Carl Kiser	3/15/2017
John Weber	3/15/2018
Jeff Appel	3/15/2018

2015 League Representatives

Brian Boutain	Central
Gary Kern	Northwest
Ken Schmidt	River Valley

Submitted by Secretary Jeff Knutson

