

**Minnesota Senior Men's Amateur Baseball Association Incorporated
Winter Meeting Minutes**

March 4, 2017

VFW Post 4046, Shakopee Minnesota Fellowship Donuts/Rolls 9:30 am

Annual Meeting Called to Order by Vice-President Pete Moulton at 10:00am

<u>I-Roll Call:</u>	<u>Term</u>
President Vacant (due to resignation)	3/18
Vice President Pete Moulton	3/19
Secretary Jeff Knutson	3/17
Treasurer Lynn Schwarz	3/17
Director Sam Baumgartner	3/17
Director Troy Mahoney	3/19
Director Randy Petersen	3/19
Director John Weber	3/18
Director Vacant (due to resignation)	3/18

League Representatives:

**Central Bryan Boutain
Northwest Dave Hanson
River Valley Ken Schmidt**

Absent -- President's position

II -Introduction by Vice-President Moulton of Board Members and League Representatives

Introduction by Vice-President Moulton

III -Introduction of attending assembly (Teams in attendance).

Le Center Braves, K-town Outlaws, Jordan Millers, St. Peter Saints, Minneapolis Bombers, Southwest Outlaws, Alexandria Classic Clippers, Northfield Millers, Loretto Sox, Jordan Alers, Menahga-Sebeka Relics, Edina Grays, Waconia Islanders, Le Sueur Legends, Apple Valley A's, Burnsville Bulldogs, Prior Lake Mariners, Minnetonka Lakers, Prior Lake Pacers, St. Louis Park Cardinals, Belle Plaine Tigers, Eden Prairie Lions Tap, Rosemount Pipers, and HOF Rep.

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

Questions by the assembly – none addressed

V – Minutes of the 2016 meeting read by Secretary Jeff Knutson

Motion for approval by Dave Hanson

Second by Sam Baumgartner Passed 10 – 0

VI – 2016 Financial Report read by Treasurer Lynn Schwarz

See financial report dated for year ending 2016

In addition, VP Moulton reviewed ads for state tournament.

Motion for approval John Weber

Second by Dave Hanson Passed 10 - 0

VII-Reports from Committees

State Tournament (Board and site representatives)

Application process.

2017 application available

Reviewed by committee.

Site selection reviewed by committee

Recommend host site to assist raising \$400 in advertising.

Committee explained process

For each 8 teams in the state, a site must be added.

Committee explained site needs

Seeding (State Secretary, 2 board members, 3 league Pres.)

6 member committee provided a “golf” score to seed for state. Teams rated 1 – 36

Committee secretary explained scoring process by selection committee.

No general assembly discussion brought forward

Board Member Hanson inquired about teams 33-34.

Number of entries vary from year to year

VIII-Remembrance and Honoring Players of the Past

Rosemount Pipers

#6 Jay Yess P/IF/3B coach 45 yoa

IX-Oldest Player and Team

Vice President Pete Moulton

Dennis Larson, Southwest Outlaws, 70 years old

Menahga-Sebeka Relics Team Average age 49.8

X-League Reports

- Central:** Bryan Boutain, President
No significant updates, looking to grow.
- Northern:** Dave Hanson, President
Looking for growth, 7 teams maybe 8 for 2017
- River Valley:** Ken Schmidt, President
24 teams 4 division with 6 teams in each
16 to 17 games planned
New Hope and Bloomington no longer
Mixed reactions to tournament up north
Southwest to play home games in Lake Crystal

XI-State Committee Host Site Report by sites:

North:

Alexandria, Ashby, Carlos, Kennington, Urbank

Director Dave Hanson provided insight.
Sites had a positive experience.
Carlos met tournament expectations
1 game issue with player.

South:

Belle Plaine, Jordan, Le Center, St. Peter

Mike Zellman reviewed Belle Plaine's site
Good responses, good turnout
Bryan Boutain
Balancing two weekend's concern
Ken Schmidt reviewed Le Center's site
Jeff Knutson reviewed St. Peter's site

XII- Tournament Results and Presentation of Awards

Presentation by Vice President Pete Moulton

Class AA	Cold Spring Springers	6
	Burnsville Bulldogs	5
Class A	Rosemount Pipers	6
	Jordan Millers	2
Class B	Carlos White Caps	3
	Belle Plaine Tigers	2
Class C	Alexandria Classic Clippers	10
	St. Peter Saints	1

XIII-Old Business

2017 State Tournament Site review application process.

New Teams are to apply to League Representative.

**Secretary Knutson reviewed application process.
New interest are apply to respective league President**

XIV-New Business – (general assembly discussion)

League Games start date

Individual league decides

Completion Date and Tournament Dates

No league games may be scheduled beyond August 6th

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

Seeding meeting August 13th

State Tournament Dates August 19 & 20, 26 & 27

State Tournament Sites (Determined by committee)

State dues @\$350 w/2 dozen baseballs State tournament entry fee @\$300 per team.

Additional Baseballs \$60 per dozen

Issues not related to rules change.

None reported general assembly

VP Moulton requested rule change reviews introduced by February 15th of upcoming season.

VP Moulton reviewed League trial and errors concept

VP Moulton discussed MSMABA vs Roy Hobbs rules

XV – Hall of Fame Update by Colin Quinn or Troy Mahoney

Verbal Report on Induction

2016 Inductees

Grant Anderson

Le Center Braves

Joe Comer

Shakopee Chiefs

Bob Lattery

Jordan Alers

Colin Quinn

Bloomington Eagles

Pat Thompson

Eden Prairie Lions Tap

Banquet Tuesday following last weekend of State Tourney

Colin Quinn reviewed selection critique

Motion to cover expenses by John Weber

Second by Troy Mahoney

Passed 10 - 0

XVI – By-law/Rule Proposal Changes:

Team and Player Conduct

The MSMABA expects that the players and coaches associated with our organization will conduct themselves in a proper manner at all times (before, during and after). Should the conduct of a player or a team come into question a review by the three (3) League Presidents (River Valley, Central and Northwest) will be conducted to determine if a player or team is to face further disciplinary action.

The three League Presidents will review the situation presented and will make a recommendation to the MSMABA Board of Directors for action. The Board President will inform the player or team of the decision and action to be enforced.

If a player is ejected from a game, they will be ineligible (suspended) for the remainder of the game plus one additional game which is the next scheduled game for their first offense of the season. For the second offense, the suspension is six games; for the third offense, the suspension is 12 calendar months.

Any physical altercation will result in an immediate suspension for 12 calendar months and reinstatement will be considered once the suspended member has appeared before the ~~entire~~ Board of Directors and requested re-instatement; any physical altercation involving an umpire will result in an immediate suspension for 24 calendar months, and reinstatement will only occur after the member presents himself to the Board of Directors at an official Board Meeting and receives approval by vote of the majority of Board of Directors members in attendance.

Proposed By-law/Rule Change read by Secretary Knutson

General Assembly discussion:

Inquiry of an appeal

VP requested the 3 league presidents review incident

Definition of physical altercation

VP review process

Request to have entire removed

***Motion by John Weber to approve
Second by Randy Peterson***

Passed 10 - 0

**Executive Meeting for Board/Committee Officers/Members
Following the Annual Meeting the expired terms by white ballot.**

Open Directors vacancies:

Sam Baumgartner	3/2017	expired term
Jeff Knutson	3/2017	expired term
Lynn Schwarz	3/2017	expired term
Jeff Appel	3/2018	resignation
Gary Gulbrandson	3/2018	resignation

1st Ballot Selectee – Jeff Knutson 3 year term 3/2020

2nd Ballot Selectee – Lynn Schwarz 3 year term 3/2020

3rd Ballot Selectee – Sam Baumgartner 3 year term 3/2020

4th Ballot Selectee – Mike Forester 1 year term 3/2018

5th Ballot Selectee – Brad Busch 1 year term 3/2018

Following verification of votes by John Weber, Troy Mahoney, and Sam Baumgartner

Selection of officers for 2017:

President – Pete Moulton

Vice President – John Weber

Secretary – Jeff Knutson

Treasurer – Lynn Schwarz

2017 League Representatives

Bryan Boutain Central

Dave Hanson Northwest

Ken Schmidt River Valley

Submitted by Recording Secretary Jeff Knutson

Motion to adjourn at 12:03 pm

**Motion by Randy Peterson
Second by Bryan Boutain**

