

TOMAHAWK EAST LEAGUE ANNUAL MEETING
RAILWAY BAR & GRILL, SLEEPY EYE
Sunday, January 23, 2011

The annual meeting of the Tomahawk East League was called to order at 2:05 p.m. on Sunday, January 23, 2011 at the Railway Bar & Grill in Sleepy Eye by President Myron Seidl. Roll call was taken with all 12 teams present.

The minutes from the Tomahawk East roster meeting of June 21, 2010 were read by League Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget. Motion by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth, 2nd by Brian Mathiowetz of Stark to accept the minutes of June 21, 2010. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented by League Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget. An ending balance of \$175.87 as of December 31, 2010 was reported. Motion by Steve Kloeckl of Searles, 2nd by John Branstad of St. James to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Myron Seidl then reviewed some of the highlights from the most recent MBA board minutes.

Myron Seidl congratulated both Essig and New Ulm for qualifying for the 2010 State Amateur Baseball Tournament in Willmar and Bird Island. He thanked them for representing our league well.

Mikale Gustafson gave a brief recap of the 2010 TEL All Star Game held in Hanska. He didn't have any financial figures, but he stated it went very well and was a big success for Hanska Baseball.

A motion was made by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth, 2nd by Steve Helget of Springfield to keep league dues at \$50 for 2011. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brian Hall of New Ulm, 2nd by Mikale Gustafson of Hanska to have each team come up with a \$25 sponsor for the Tomahawk East League web site. Motion carried.

Motion by Derrick Jenniges of Lambertton, 2nd by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth to keep 2011 admission prices at \$3 for adults and \$2 for students aged 17 and under which is what they were last year. It is assumed children under the age of 6 or so who are not in school would be free. Motion carried.

Spouse passes for 2011 were approved with a motion by Brian Mathiowetz of Stark, 2nd by Derrick Jenniges of Lambertton. Motion carried.

Myron Seidl asked if there should be any changes to the Rules of the Tomahawk East League. With none being proposed, the League will leave the rules as they were in 2010.

A motion was made by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth, 2nd by Steve Kloeckl of Searles for teams to continue to use either Diamond D-1 Pro, Wilson A1010, or Rawlings R100HS baseballs for the 2010 season. Motion carried. Note: the League decided against allowing Fitzgerald baseballs to be used in league play. Fitzgerald baseballs were used in the 2010 State Amateur Tournament.

Myron asked Bruce Woitas of South Central Umpires Association if the umpire group had set any prices for 2011. Bruce indicated the umpires have yet to meet for 2011 and could not give an indication as to what rates might be in 2011.

The League Directory was updated for 2011.

Myron asked the team representatives if they knew of any new advertisers for either the poster or pocket schedules. By general consensus, poster ads will remain at \$70 and pocket schedule ads will remain at \$60.

Discussion on an All Star Game in 2011 was tabled.

A motion was made by Steve Kloeckl of Searles, 2nd by Steve Helget of Springfield to spend \$75 on an ad in the 2011 MBA Handbook. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mikale Gustafson of Hanska, 2nd by Steve Kloeckl of Searles to begin the 2011 season on Sunday, May 8, 2011, and end on Sunday July 24, 2011. Motion carried. Teams who wish to start their seasons before May 8th may still do so however.

By a paper ballot, the League voted 9-3 to form three divisions in 2011.

Divisions for 2011 were set up as follows using the final league records from 2010. (Ties were broken based on tied teams being seeded based on how far they advanced in the playoffs in 2010.

<u>American</u>	<u>National</u>	<u>Patriot</u>
1 Lamberton	2 Searles	3 New Ulm Brewers
6 Essig	5 Hanska	4 Sleepy Eye
7 Leavenworth	8 Stark	9 St. James
12 Springfield	11 Redwood Falls	10 Gibbon

After nominations for President, Steve Kloeckl of Searles made a motion, 2nd by Steve Helget of Springfield to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Myron Seidl for President. Motion carried. Myron Seidl is President for 2011.

After nominations for Vice President, Brian Mathiowetz of Stark made a motion, 2nd by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Ralph Zwaschka for Vice President. Motion carried. Ralph Zwaschka is Vice President for 2011.

After nominations for Secretary-Treasurer, Brian Hall of New Ulm made a motion, 2nd by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Terry Helget for Secretary-Treasurer and that his salary for 2011 remain at \$200. Motion carried. Terry Helget is Secretary-Treasurer for 2011.

The officers of the Tomahawk East League were assigned to represent the three divisions of the league at region meetings as follows: Terry Helget (American Division), Myron Seidl (National Division) and Ralph Zwaschka (Patriot Division).

The scheduling meeting of the Tomahawk East League was set for Sunday, March 20, 2011 at the Railway Bar & Grill in Sleepy Eye at 2:00 p.m.

Motion by Derrick Jenniges of Lamberton, 2nd by Dave Darr of Redwood Falls to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Helget
Secretary-Treasurer