

TOMAHAWK EAST LEAGUE SCHEDULING MEETING
SLEEPY EYE COMMUNITY CENTER, SLEEPY EYE
Sunday, February 10, 2019

The scheduling meeting of the Tomahawk East League was called to order at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 10, 2019 at the Sleepy Eye Community Center in Sleepy Eye by President Myron Seidl. Roll call was taken with all teams present except St. James who is on a one-year leave of absence.

The minutes from the January 27, 2019 Tomahawk East annual meeting were read by League Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget. A motion was made by Derrick Jenniges of Lambertton, 2nd by Steve Kloeckl of Searles to accept the minutes of January 27, 2019. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was presented by League Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget. An ending balance of \$927.95 was reported. A motion was made by Chris Koob of Hanska, 2nd by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

2018 MBA Handbooks were distributed to each team. MBA Acknowledgment forms were also signed by each team and collected by league secretary Terry Helget.

Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget briefly outlined proper protocol for player contracts and releases.

Discussion on where teams should get baseballs (which was tabled at the annual meeting in January) was again discussed. Myron Seidl said that Nicklasson's will again offer teams of the Tomahawk East a discount of \$2 or \$3 per dozen baseballs purchased there. Derrick Jenniges stated that teams in the Corn Belt League have been able to get baseballs for around \$54 per dozen when they ordered baseballs together as a league. By general consensus, it was agreed that each team can get their baseballs wherever they wish as long as they are either Diamond D-1 Pro LS or Rawlings OLB low seam baseballs.

It was confirmed the 2019 All Star Game will be played on Friday, June 28, 2019, at Stark beginning at 7:30 p.m. pitting the Corn Belt All Stars vs. the Tomahawk East All Stars.

There was significant discussion on how to get the best/most deserving players from each team to participate in the All Star Game. A couple of ideas surfaced where teams might vote on other teams' All Star candidates while offering one person from their own team. An online vote of some sort was also discussed. Marty Brandl is going to try to facilitate something to see what might generate the most interest while achieving our goal of having the most deserving/best players from each team actually participate in the ASG. On this note, another suggestion was made to promote a Player of the Week on the Tomahawk East League web site in an effort to promote our league to the public a little more.

Myron Seidl briefly addressed the region setup by indicating it will probably stay the same since we have had success with it. He also stated that the region board has yet to meet, so things still could change, but there will again be three teams from the Tomahawk East qualifying for the State Tournament. The final region setup will be discussed at the roster meeting in June.

Marty Brandl then briefed the teams of the Tomahawk East what he learned at the MBA State Board Meeting the day before highlighting the new points system for Class B classification in addition to some of the finer points in the MBA Handbook.

By general consensus, it was agreed to have the #1 seed from league play receive an automatic berth into regions, the #2 seed host the #11 seed, the #3 seed host the #10 seed and so on in a best of three league playoff series. These games will be scheduled for Friday, July 26, Sunday, July 28 and Tuesday, July 30 (if necessary) with the higher seed in each series receiving home games in Games 1 and 3 and the lower seed receiving a home game in Game 2 unless another arrangement is made by mutual agreement of both teams. The winners of each of these five series along with the #1 seed from league play will advance to the Region 2C Tournament.

League President Myron Seidl presented the proposed 2019 Tomahawk East League schedule to the teams. The schedule was reviewed with each team making necessary adjustments. Myron will now draw up the official 2019 schedule and get the schedules to the printers as he has done in the past.

The roster meeting of the Tomahawk East League was tentatively set for Monday, June 24, 2019, at the Community Center in Sleepy Eye at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned around 2:00 p.m. after everyone ate some pizza provided by the league.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Helget
Secretary-Treasurer