

TOMAHAWK EAST LEAGUE SCHEDULING MEETING
SLEEPY EYE COMMUNITY CENTER, SLEEPY EYE
Sunday, February 28, 2021

The scheduling meeting of the Tomahawk East League was called to order at 4:01 p.m. on Sunday, February 28, 2021 at the Sleepy Eye Community Center in Sleepy Eye by President Myron Seidl. Roll call was taken with all teams present.

The minutes from the January 31, 2021 Tomahawk East annual meeting were read by League Secretary-Treasurer Marty Brandl. A motion was made by Al Flor of New Ulm, 2nd by Isaac Jenniges of Lamberton to accept the minutes of January 31, 2021. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was presented by League Secretary-Treasurer Marty Brandl. An ending balance of \$833.32 was reported. A motion was made by Zach Mickelson of Leavenworth, 2nd by Scott Black of Fairfax to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Due to the league having a significant checkbook balance and businesses with ads on the league poster and pocket schedules being hurt by COVID-19, a motion was made by Al Flor of New Ulm, 2nd by Isaac Jenniges of Lamberton to charge \$10 less this year for schedule ads. Motion carried.

President Seidl reported the decision to forego the 2021 All Star Game against the Corn Belt League due to health and safety considerations related to COVID-19.

Marty Brandl reported that starting this year the 2021 MBA Handbook is only available online. It can be found on mnbaserball.org under Documents. Managers are encouraged to read through and be aware of the rules they are agreeing to abide by as a member team of the MBA. This year's changes are highlighted in yellow.

Al Flor reported he currently has just 7 guys to umpire amateur baseball games. He requested that teams consider scheduling games on "off" nights (not Sunday, Wednesday, or Friday) to allow for umpires who are also affiliated with teams more opportunities to do games. President Seidl encouraged everyone to make an effort to recruit some umpires and let people know they are needed. It was also noted that some umpires who work games at other levels won't do amateur games due to how they might be treated. Teams were encouraged to treat umpires with respect. They are human and doing their best.

It was noted that the State Board is looking at changing the number of teams that go to state based on Region attendance and team success in the State Tournament. Region 2C could drop down to just 2 teams based on current discussions. Discussion ensued regarding the 12-team, double-elimination format that was planned to be used in 2020, but adjusted due to COVID-19. The Region 2C Board will consider the league's input and work out final logistics of game sites, dates of the tournament, etc. The details will be brought to the roster meeting in late June.

League President Myron Seidl presented the proposed 2021 Tomahawk East League schedule to the teams. The schedule was reviewed with each team making necessary adjustments. Myron will send out the schedule for one last review before drawing up the official 2021 schedule. He will get the schedule to the printers as he has done in the past.

The roster meeting of the Tomahawk East League was tentatively set for Monday, June 28, 2021, at the Community Center in Sleepy Eye at 7:30 p.m.

After all teams tweaked and reported their schedules, the meeting adjourned by general consensus at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marty Brandl
Secretary-Treasurer