



DRS League Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2020 7 pm Doublewide Bar

421 St Joseph St, Elko New Market, MN 55054

Roll Call/Call to Order

The league meeting was called to order by President Sticha at 7:02pm. St. Benedict was not present. Per league by-laws they will be fined \$50 for missing the meeting. Due before 2021 season.

Secretary's Report – Sean O'Neill

1. Approve Last Meeting's Minutes

Motion by Shakopee to accept minutes of last meeting which were e-mailed to each team prior to the meeting. Seconded by Union Hill. Approved on an 11-0 vote.

Treasurer's Report – Chris Hertaus

1. Financial Update

\$1966.54 on hand in checkbook. Sales tax to be paid on region gate yet. That would leave \$1380.31. After 2020 officer salaries it would leave about \$200 going into next season. Motion Faribault to approve the report. Seconded by Shakopee. Approved by vote of 12-0. President Sticha offered to forego his Webmaster salary until later in 2021 to help with cash flow, if needed.

Old Business

1. 2020 Season Recap

- a. Favorable comments on getting the season completed under State COVID guidelines.
- b. Several liked the new region format with limited non-elimination games.
- c. Montgomery continues to be a full member of the league even though they sat out most of the 2020 season due to COVID.
- d. Statement was made to teams to impress on their players to participate in the draft for the state tournament. Even if only available for the final weekend, that may be valuable to the drafting teams.

2. 2020 Schedule Posters/Ads – How to Handle Financially?

- a. Some advertisers paid for ads on our defunct/revised 2020 schedule. Posters were printed and not accurate due to COVID changes. League had to pay for the cost. We will work with anyone who paid on ad pricing for 2021, if they want to negotiate.
- b. New Market requested the Elko and New Market "B" schedules be added to the league schedule for 2021. Prior Lake suggested adding all games for all teams. We will discuss more at the league January meeting.



- c. Motion New Market to add League games for “B” teams to the 2021 poster. Seconded by Webster. Approved 12-0 vote. New Market and Elko league games will be added to the 2021 poster schedule.

3. Bar Cards

- a. DRS Bar Card fundraiser from last year did not work out due to COVID. College City paid for the cards and they were printed. None were sold or used due to COVID restrictions. We will work with College City in 2021 and on card costs depending on the COVID situation. Hopefully, we can roll out the program for next year.

New Business

1. MBA Updates

- a. Updated team points for DRS teams are on the MBA site. Talk to Tom Lemke of the MBA regarding any errors, or if you have questions. He is the committee chair.
- b. Mike Sticha gave an overview of the happenings at the most recent MBA meeting. The highlights, lowlights and context of the meeting discussions were covered.
- c. It’s possible that streaming of state tournament games becomes the norm in the future.

2. 2021 Season:

- a. League Set-up: (teams, Division(s), number of games)
 - i. We will have a 22-game schedule again. C teams play each other twice and Elko and New Market once each. We will remain as a single division for standings.
- b. Start/end dates
 - i. Motion Faribault to start the season on April 25th. Seconded by Elko. Approved by 12-0 vote. Season will begin on April 25th. Motion Shakopee to end the regular season on August 1st. Seconded by St. Patrick. Approved by 12-0 vote. Regular season will end on August 1st.
- c. FYI – MSHSL Starting May 15 (for now)
 - i. We will monitor this situation. It could change. It’s all still in discussion by MSHSL.

3. 2021 Schedule creation timeline

- a. Get schedule requests to Mike Sticha by December 1st. He’ll try to have our league schedule done before Christmas.

4. NW Umpire Update

- a. Derek Roberts is amateur chairman for the NW Umpires now – not Mike Sticha as he resigned the position.

5. Next meeting – January 2021 – exact date to be determined, but early in the month.

6. Any other New Business items?



- a. Discussion on joining with other leagues to combine concerns on the point system.
Come together to bring a unified voice with our preferences to the MBA committee.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by President Sticha at 8:35pm.