

TOMAHAWK EAST LEAGUE ROSTER MEETING
SLEEPY EYE COMMUNITY CENTER, SLEEPY EYE
Monday, June 24, 2019

The roster meeting of the Tomahawk East League was called to order at 7:10 p.m. on Monday, June 24, 2019 at the Sleepy Eye Community Center in Sleepy Eye by League President Myron Seidl. Roll call was taken with all teams present except St. James.

The minutes from the scheduling meeting on February 10, 2019 were read by League Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget. A motion was made by Steve Kloeckl of Searles, 2nd by Al Flor of New Ulm to accept the minutes from February 10, 2019. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented by League Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget with a balance of \$1,093.74 reported. A motion was made by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth, 2nd by Isaac Jenniges of Lambertton to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

President Myron Seidl then asked the teams if and when certain games were going to be made up to make sure we don't have any problems bunching up games at the end of the year. He also reminded teams to contact him within 48 hours after a postponement with a make-up date.

There was a brief discussion on the logistics of the All Star Game between the Tomahawk East League and the Corn Belt League on Friday, June 28, 2019, at Stark. Marty Brandl spoke briefly of how the initial online ASG fan voting went this year and indicated it went well minus a few things he might want to tweak in the future. He said over 5,000 votes were logged which shows great interest in amateur baseball. After coming up with the starting ASG players via the fan vote, the rest of the team was constructed by the Tomahawk East ASG managers. Also, Jevan Richert of J Richert Bats stated he would donate a bat to given to the ASG MVP.

Region 2C officer Myron Seidl reported that he, Marty Brandl and Region 2C Commissioner Bryce Pack had met earlier in June and came up with another 6-team, single round robin region tournament to be played from August 3-11, 2019. The format of the tournament will be similar to the last few years whereby each of the six teams advancing to regions from the league playoffs will be seeded according to their final Tomahawk East League regular season records. The top three seeds will have three of their five games at home and the bottom three seeds will have two of their five games at home during the initial round of the tournament. Also, weekend game times will be staggered so that not all games are played at the same time to allow for higher attendance. It was recommended that game times begin at 2 p.m., 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. on the first two days. Choice of first weekend game times (Saturday and Sunday) for these games will be made by the home team based on a team's seed entering the tournament with the higher seeded home teams each of these first two days getting first choice. Also of note, it was mentioned that if there is a game late in the tournament where both teams have already been eliminated from state tournament contention, that game can be cancelled by mutual consent of both teams. Those teams will then forfeit a game share for that cancellation, however.

By a hand vote at this meeting, a motion made by Leon Hillesheim of Leavenworth, 2nd by Steve Kloeckl of Searles to have each Region 2C entrant draft two pitchers instead of one was passed by a 6-5 vote. Therefore, each of the six regional entrants will draft two pitchers from the losing six teams (one at a time—two rounds of draft) of the Tomahawk East League playoffs in order of seed. The three teams advancing to the State Tournament at the end of the regional tournament will then draft an additional pitcher each from the nine Tomahawk East teams not advancing to State in the order of their seed heading into the State Tournament. Bryce will submit the official tournament bracket along with rules and tiebreakers prior to the start of the regional tournament.

It was mentioned that it would be beneficial to have some kind of a deadline in October for St. James to decide whether they will field a team in 2020. This will allow the league a better opportunity to pursue other teams like Fairfax who have shown interest in joining our league in the past.

It was mentioned that FSN will be doing a townball feature on the New Ulm Brewers on Wednesday, July 3, when they host Stark at Mueller Park.

Final team rosters were then presented by League Secretary-Treasurer Terry Helget. By general consensus, the final roster submissions and playoff eligible players of all 11 teams of the Tomahawk East League for 2019 were approved.

Motion made by Isaac Jenniges of Lambertton, 2nd by Chris Koob of Hanska to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Helget
Secretary-Treasurer