

TOMAHAWK EAST LEAGUE ROSTER MEETING

JOHNSON PARK, NEW ULM, MN

Monday, July 24, 2023

The roster meeting of the Tomahawk East League was called to order at 7:06 p.m. on Monday, July 24, 2023 at Johnson Park in New Ulm by League President Myron Seidl. Roll call was taken with all teams present.

The minutes from the annual meeting on February 5, 2023 were emailed by League Secretary-Treasurer Marty Brandl. A motion was made by Isaac Jenniges of Lamberton, 2nd by Scott Salfer of Sleepy Eye to accept the minutes from February 5, 2023. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was presented by League Secretary-Treasurer Marty Brandl with a balance of \$530.59 reported. Remaining expenses for 2023 were noted as the League Secretary-Treasurer salary of \$300 and website maintenance \$200. One website ad (\$25) and one schedule ad (\$50) are still to be deposited. Marty is following up on those. A motion was made by Terry Helget of Essig, 2nd by Steve Helget of Springfield to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

President Seidl expressed his happiness that there were very few games affected by rain this season. Basically, the first Sunday schedule and then a couple other games during the season. In the few games that were, the makeups were scheduled and played quickly so there was no bunching up of games at the end of the regular season.

Searles' Dan Reinke and Collin Helget reported on the All-Star Game that was held against the Corn Belt League at Searles Ballpark on Saturday, July 15. The Tomahawk East walked it off in the bottom of the 9th, 6-5. Reinke and Helget felt attendance was good and things went very well. With the win, the game will be held in another Tomahawk East League ballpark in 2024. League officers will be in touch with Corn Belt officers to get the 2024 game scheduled.

This meeting was the deadline for submitting interest in hosting the 2024 Region 2C Tournament. Sleepy Eye, Fairfax, and New Ulm expressed interest in hosting in 2024.

Lamberton's Derrick & Isaac Jenniges reported they survived the season playing all their games on the road, including four at Milroy's Irish Yard. They hope to be able to return home to Lamberton for next season as construction on the school there progresses.

With the completion of the regular season on Friday, July 21, the Region 2C Tournament is set. Details were emailed to all involved by Region 2C Commissioner Marty Brandl over the weekend. Highlights of the 2023 tournament include: New Ulm and Springfield serving as the two host sites. The opening round of games on Wednesday, July 26 will be played at neutral sites. Admission will be \$7 for adults 18+ and \$1 for children for all day at a site. Players get in for free on the days they play in the tournament. Host sites are asked to provide game balls for the games at their site. Umpires will be paid by the hosts \$260 per game for a two-man crew and reimbursed by Region 2C.

All teams are asked to submit their potential draftees to Marty by the first pitch of the tournament on Wednesday, 7/26. This list will be used for the three teams who advance to the State Tournament to select their three draftees from the nine teams not advancing to State. We will not have a professional photographer for this year's Region 2C Tournament. Marty will take team pictures of all teams when they play on Sat. 7/29 or Sun. 7/30. These will be posted on the league website and shared with teams for use as they wish.

Teams were reminded about the 100th Anniversary stickers to be placed on their batting helmets. Commissioner Brandl has requested a couple additional sets that he will bring to the tournament on Saturday for those that need them. Marty also thanked teams for their questions. He expressed his appreciation for being able to answer questions instead of responding to the rumor mill or social media. He is very proud of how things work in our league.

Team rosters were read by League Secretary-Treasurer Brandl making note of any last changes and answering any questions about specific players. The following are the numbers of players on each team's 2023 final playoff roster: Courtland 18, Essig 21, Fairfax 17, Gibbon 21, Hanska 19, Lamberton 21, Leavenworth 19, New Ulm 25, Searles 21, Sleepy Eye 24, Springfield 22, and Stark 16. Motion made by John Giefer of Courtland, 2nd by Steve Helget of Springfield to approve the final official 25-man (max) playoff rosters of the 12 teams of the Tomahawk East League. Motion carried.

After the meeting, team reps enjoyed a ballpark supper provided by our hosts at Johnson Park.

Motion made by Scott Salfer of Sleepy Eye, 2nd by Chris Koob of Hanska to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marty Brandl
Secretary-Treasurer