

South Dakota High School Baseball Association
Minutes of Board Meeting
October 7, 2012

Board members present: Ryan Bauer, Phil Johnson, Brad Schramm

Meeting opened at 2:00 pm

Treasurer's report was reviewed for 2012.

Time and place for annual meeting was set for Sunday, Dec. 2, 2012 at 3:00 pm at Gertie Belle Rogers School in Mitchell on North Kimball Street.

It was reported that 5 positions are available on the board for election at the Annual meeting. Nominations may be sent to the league office prior to December 1, 2012. Nominees must represent a member team in good standing and no team shall have more than one representative. Nominees **MUST** be willing to attend board meetings on a regular basis.

All regional directors were re-appointed to their positions along with thanks for their previous service.

A motion by Bauer, second by Johnson to assign Harrisburg to Class A for the 2014 season due to increasing enrollment. Carried

It was reported Sturgis will be re-joining the league for 2013 and a good chance Pierre will join. Regional assignments will be made accordingly after the December 1 deadline for registration.

A motion by Johnson, second by Bauer to establish a play-in game between the #4 and #5 seed in any region or division with 5 teams. This game will be held before the division or regional playoffs begin. Carried

The high school association will again be the host of both the Class A and Class B state tournaments to be held under the same format as 2012. John Ratzloff was appointed the tournament director for 2013.

A discussion was held about the catcher's helmet rule requiring ear protection for catchers. Umpires will be reminded of the rule and told to strictly enforce it in 2013.

Motion by Bauer, second by Johnson to change the registration deadline for 2014 season to September 1, 2013. This will allow more time for scheduling for the upcoming season. Payment deadline will remain January 1 each year. Carried

Motion by Johnson, second by Bauer to approve 2013 budget which includes funding for both a coaches clinic and umpire clinic from revenues created by the state tournament. Lyle Smith will be asked to coordinate the coaches clinic and Brad Schramm will coordinate the umpire clinic. Carried

Motion by Bauer, second by Johnson to require all teams to notify the league office in the event a scheduled game is cancelled or postponed. This notice shall be sent via email or phone message to the league office on the day the cancellation or postponement is announced. Carried

Motion by Bauer, second by Johnson to require all forfeitures shall be approved by vote of the board before such forfeitures are granted. Carried