South Dakota High School Baseball Association Meeting of the Board of Directors Sunday, January 9, 2011

Chamberlain High School – Chamberlain, SD – 2:00 pm

Board Members Present:

Brad Schramm, Phil Johnson, Ryan Bauer, Derrion Hardie

Board Members Not Present:

Bud Jenniges, Greg Ford, Jason Gault, Todd Anderson, Molloy Dial

1. Call to Order:

President Schramm called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes of December 5 meeting

Secretary Hardie presented the minutes from the December 5, 2010 SDHSBA board meeting. Johnson motioned to approve. Bauer seconded. The minutes were approved.

3. Financial Report

Treasurer Johnson distributed the financial balance sheet as of January 9, 2011. The Association is in good standing. No approval needed.

4. Delinquent Members

Teams that have not paid their 2011 registration fee at this time are Rapid City West, Howard, Faulkton, CCEF and SF Christian. President Schramm will be contacting these teams for registration information ASAP.

5. Hire Administrator

Johnson motioned to retain the services of Brad Schramm as administrator of the SDHSBA for the annual salary of \$3,000.00. Hardie Seconded. Hiring of administrator was approved.

6. Regional Director Assignments

Reminder that the following individuals were selected as Region Directors at a previous meeting.

Region 1A – Lyle Smith, Sioux Falls

Region 2A – John Ratzloff, O'Gorman

Region 3A – Matt Krogman, Brookings

Region 1B - Don Rempp, Irene

Region 2B - Steve Ellsworth, Miller

Region 3B – Dave Kemp, Harrisburg

Region 4B – Brad Schramm, Winner

7. Region Assignments

- * Class A
- 2011 regional assignments will remain as they were in 2010. No approval needed.
- * Class B
- Motion by Johnson to allow Dell Rapids Public and St. Mary to coop with Baltic. Bauer seconded. Coop approved.
- Motion by Bauer to approve Clark's 2011 application to the SDHSBA. Hardie seconded. Application approved.
- Motion by Johnson to move Lennox from Region 3 to Region 1. Bauer seconded. Lennox's move approved.

8. Regional and State Tournament Umpire Assignments

Selections will continue to be based upon umpire evaluations by the coaches. Evaluations can be done on the SDHSBA website at www.sdhighschoolbaseball.org and the Board encourages coaches to utilize this convenient tool to get the best umpires for post-season play.

9. Bat Survey

Jim Johnston from Harve's Sports in Mitchell, SD shared information about the new bat restrictions. Jim informed the Board that starting in 2011, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) and Legion baseball <u>ARE NOT</u> allowing the use of 100% BESR composite bats. However, half and half bats will be allowed by the NFHS and Legion in 2011. Half and half bats consist of a handle that is composite and a barrel that is alloy/metal. The SDHSBA follows NFHS rules; therefore, South Dakota high school baseball teams will follow the new bat restrictions described above in 2011.

Jim also shared that starting in 2012, only BBCOR or wood will be allowed by the NFHS and Legion. Research has shown that BBCOR and wood bats are equals. Wood bats will consist of 3 choices: true wood (maple or ash), composite wood and Bamboo. Jim explained that maple and ash bats have no warranty, but composite and bamboo bats have a 90 day warranty.

The SDHSBA will be conducting a membership survey via e-mail about the use of BBCOR and wood bats in 2012. Please be watching your e-mail for this survey.

10. State Tournament Bids Reminder

At this time, only 1 Class A bid has been received. Bids for the Class A and B State Tournaments must be received by the SDHSBA by February 1, 2011 and be addressed to:

Tournament Selection Committee % SDHSBA PO Box 624 Winner, SD 57580

Please see the Administrative Manual for the criteria for hosting a State Tournament.

11. Other Business

Class A wild card discussion was held. Motion by Johnson to change item 1 page 12 to read, "the 2 Class A teams who are not regional champions with highest number of regular season wins", will be inserted in place of "overall Class A record". Schramm seconded. Change in wild card process approved.

12. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the SDHSBA Board of Directors will be held at Cabela's in Mitchell on Sunday, February 13, 2011 at 2:00 pm.

Schramm made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Hardie. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Derrion Hardie SDHSBA Secretary