

SOUTH DAKOTA BASEBALL UMPIRE ASSOCIATION MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2009
11:30 AM
CEDAR SHORE RESORT
CHAMBERLAIN, SOUTH DAKOTA

1. Call meeting to order by President John Witcraft
2. 37 members present
3. **Motion to approve minutes for 2008 was made by Greg Warren, second by Joe Schlingen. Carried.**
4. Financial Report read by Randy Bertram and discussed by members. **Motion to approve the financial report by Richard Rockafellow and second by Ace Boschee. Carried**
 - a. Treasurer was directed to keep sending funds to South Dakota Baseball Hall of Fame for \$200.00.
5. Announcements
 - a. Sportsmanship Award for State Amateur Tourney received by Menno
 - b. 2008 Scholarship Awarded to Aaron Warren of Herrick.
 - c. Legion Big Stick Award- “B” Jeff Fish of Milbank
“A” Jason Schmidt of Mitchell
2008 Sportsmanship” A” Legion: Post 22
2008 Sportsmanship “B” Legion: Platte/Geddes
 - d. VFW Sportsmanship Award “B” Coleman
“A” Volga
“AA” SF West
“13-14 A” Corsica
 - e. Hall of Fame Inductees Larry Lemke
Honorary, Dan Sudbeck
 - f. Site for 2009 State tournament

State Legion- “A”	Rapid City July 29 – Aug 2, 2009
State Legion- “B”	Platte July 22 - 26, 2009
State Amateur	Mitchell August 5-16, 2009
6. Old business
 - a) Umpire exam
Motion by Brad Vosika, second by Warren Friesz to accept revised exam for 2009 with the addition of 5 mechanics questions to be added. Carried
 - b) Jackets for state tournament
Motion by Bryce Holter, second by Rich Kotrba to purchase 6 umpire jackets for state tournament use. Carried.

**Motion by Greg Warren, second by Steve Leber to combine District 6A and 6B.
Carried**

District Umpires appointed by Chairman to serve 2009

Fred Obermeier, Clark

Steve Leber, Pierre

Al Hanson and Paul Ortmann, Sioux Falls

Duane Miller, Canova

John Weisler, Yankton

Ace Boeshee, Aberdeen

Joe Schlimgen, Mitchell

Matt Clark, Huron

Dave Beste, Brookings

Randy Bertram, Vermillion

Greg Warren, Herrick

Brad Tucker, Rapid City

7. Members of the Arbitrary.

Joe Schlimgen (2010)

Steve Bertrand (2011)

Al Hansen (2012)

8. New Business

a. Concerns of Umpires for the Amateur Association

Discussion ensued on the number of umpires used for state tournament games. SDUA would like to have 3 umpires for all games. Also discussed compensation and requested it be raised.

b. High School Rule Books

Motion by Al Hansen, second by Rob Carl to purchase a rule book for any member umpire who wishes to have one. Directed the secretary to compile that list and order books accordingly. Carried.

c. High School Pitch Counts

Brad Schramm of the High School Baseball requested the umpires tally the pitch counts and report to both dugouts. Consensus was not to agree to do this.

d. Website

Secretary Schramm requested that SDUA host its own website at a cost of \$120 per year. Bryce Holter volunteered to continue to host site at no cost. Thank you Bryce.

e. Big Stick Award

Motion by Dave Beste, second by Gret Warren to purchase a bat to use for the Big Stick presentation at Legion Tournaments. Carried.

Richard Rockefeller then offered to donate the bat. Thank you Richard.

f. Next Meeting

Motion by Ace Boschee, second by Fred Obermeier to keep the annual meeting at the same place on the first Sunday of February each year. Carried

District Umpire Clinics for 2009

Tentative Date For Umpire Clinics in South Dakota-

March 15, 2009 Huron High School, Huron 7:00 PM Contact Person- Matt Clark
March 1, 2009 Eagles Club, Vermillion 2:00 PM Contact Person - Randy Bertram
_____, 2009 Parkview Gymnasium, Ft. Pierre 10:00AM Contact Person-
_____, 2009 Rapid City will be at Dakota Middle School, 9:00 AM Contact
Person- Brad Tucker
March 21, 2009 Sioux Falls, Stewart Center, 10:00 AM Contact Person – Al
Hansen
March 21, 2009 Aberdeen, Aberdeen Central 10:00AM Contact Person- Ace
Boschee
March 14, 2009 Reservation Room in Winner,SD 10:00AM- Contact Person-
Greg Warren
March 14, 2009 Elk’s Club- 10:00AM Contact Person- Dave Beste
April 5, 2009 Mitchell High School, Mitchell 1:30PM Contact Person- Joe
Schlimgen

9. Election of Officers

Vice President- Al Hansen was re-elected for two year term as Vice President

Secretary- Brad Schramm was re-elected for two year term as Secretary

Meeting ended at 1:48 PM