

Seven Oaks hoping to join

By Allan Besson

In this day and age when everyone is studying expansion franchises and seeking entry into established leagues, why should the high schoolers be any different?

With the exception of Elmwood Eskimos, who returned to the Winnipeg High School Football League last season after an absence of several years, nothing has changed in that union for ages.

However, it appears there will be a new kid on the block in September.

The seed was planted last fall when Ken Andrews, student president at Maples Collegiate, threw out a suggestion at the meeting of the Seven Oaks School Division Student-Liaison Committee.

He wanted to know why the division didn't look into the idea of forming a high school team to play in the WHSFL.

Wheels in motion

The motion was passed, and on March 9 the school board authorized the organization of such a team and the wheels were set in motion.

Yesterday, coaches Walter and Doug Krochak and Bob Skabar opened a spring training camp at Belmont School to see how many students from West Kildonan Collegiate, Maples and Garden City Collegiate are serious about putting a team together for the forthcoming season. The camp will continue all week and is open to anyone who will be attending those schools next season.

"The original motion by the school division was that the team would seek to play an exhibition schedule for the first year," commented division superintendent Glenn Nicholls. "It was our understanding at the time that that was all that would be available. But we found out later more would be available."