

NAASH
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 17, 1984

The meeting of the Council of the North American Society for Sport History was called to order by President Alan Metcalfe at 9:20 a.m., May 17, 1984 in the Conference Room, Bumhams Hall. University of Louisville, Shelby Campus.

Present were: Roxanne Albertson. Leon Coursey, Tom Jable. Alan Metcalfe, Ron Smith, Betty Spears. and Margaret Toohey. Also present was Paula Welch. Nominating Committee.

The minutes of the May 27, 1983 Council at Penn State University, Mont Alto. were approved as distributed.

Larry Fielding, Convention Manager, gave a report which indicated that 116 were pre-registered.

Tom Jable. Program Chairman, indicated that there were no major problems with the program, that it was in good shape.

Ron Smith gave the Secretary-Treasurer's Report indicating that revenues exceeded expenditures by about \$4.000 due principally to an increase in the number institutional and regular members and several life memberships.

Betty Spears presented the Distinguished Lectures Committee Report. Included was an Operating Code.

It was MOVED (Betty Spears) and seconded to accept the Operating Code. PASSED (unanimously).

The letter of resignation of Jack Berryman as editor of Journal was read.

It was MOVED (Ron Smith) and seconded to cover the expenses of the new editor to enable the new editor to go to Seattle to discuss the Journal of Sport History procedures with Jack Berryman. PASSED (unanimously).

John Findling, Chairman of the Time and Site Committee, resigned as of September, 1984. The Committee recommended the site for 1987 to be the Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, and for 1988, York University, Toronto, Ontario.

It was MOVED (Betty Spears) and seconded that the NASSH Council recommend to the Annual Business Meeting that the 1987 convention be held at the Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. PASSED (unanimously).

It was MOVED (Tom Jable) and seconded that the NASSH Council recommend to the Annual Business Meeting that the 1988 convention be held at York University, Toronto.

It was MOVED (Betty Spears) and seconded to table the motion. PASSED (unanimously).

Paula Welch gave the Nominations Report indicating that Bill Beezley and Don Kyle were elected to the Publications Board that Virginia Evans was elected to the Distinguished Lectures Committee.

The Council nominated six individuals to run for the 1985-86 Nominations Committee to be presented at the 1983 Annual Convention. The six were: Lynne Emory, Dick Keller, Steve Riess, Peggy Stanaland, Dave Voigt, and Paula Welch.

In the absence of A.B. Culver, the 1985 Convention Manager for the University of Wisconsin, Lacrosse meeting, Ron Smith gave a short summary of what the preliminary plans were as discussed with A.B. Culver.

A letter was read from Ellen Kennedy of Ginn Custom Publishing asking for a lower reprint permission fee because the readings book by John M. Carter was to be a limited edition of 500 copies for USC by students in his history of sport course at Georgia Southern College.

It was MOVED (Ron Smith) and seconded to allow Ginn Custom Publishing to pay \$50.00 per article for four articles in a readings book by John M. Carter. The reprint fees would only go to the authors of the reprinted articles. DEFEATED (1 for 3 opposed, 2 abstained). It was generally thought that this would set a bad precedent if passed.

A question was raised about the lack of reprint fees for articles from the Journal of Sport History (Nancy Struna, Mel Adelman, and Steve Riess) in the 1984 publication by Leisure Press. *The American Sporting Experience*.

It was MOVED (Betty Spears) that 1) Alan Metcalfe shall talk to Steve Riess about the three Journal of Sport History articles reprinted the *The American Sporting Experience* published by Leisure Press. 2) a letter be sent to Leisure Press, and 3) a bill be sent for \$200 for the Adelman and Struna articles. PASSED (unanimously).

It was MOVED (Leon Coursey) and seconded that the Operating Codes be given to the chair of each Committee. PASSED (unanimously).

It was decided that the Secretary give to newly elected officers the following: 1) Constitution, 2) By-Laws, 3) Committee Membership List, and 3) List of Officers.

A short discussion was held on the nature of the Journal with such questions as: 1) How useful is the Journal to graduate students? 2) Are the articles broad enough in nature? 3) Are the articles in the mainstream of sport history? 4) Are worthy articles being rejected? No action was taken as the Journal policy is set by the Publications Board.

The question of attempting again to create a Bibliography, of Films was brought up by Ron Smith. Alan Metcalfe was to ask at the Business Meeting if any one was interested in pursuing a bibliography of films.

It was MOVED (Ron Smith) and seconded that a committee of three be established to explore the desirability of a Film-T.V. Advisory Committee which would advise commercial and educational film and T.V. producers for the purpose of historical accuracy relative to sport. The committee of three would develop an operating code if it decided that the Film-T.V. Advisory Committee were desirable. PASSED (unanimously).

It was decided to list the past Honor Award winners in the next year's convention program.

A lengthy discussion regarding possible NASSH historical projects which might be carried out for a cost of about \$5,000. Suggested projects from NASSH members included:

- 1) Development of a 30 minute documentary on sport history for use on public T.V.
- 2) Workshop for high school social studies teachers who desire to teach sport history,
- 3) Special conferences on specific sport history topics.
- 4) Promotion of sport history through local historical societies,
- 5) Sponsor the writing of a sport history text for high school students.
- 6) Sponsor outstanding college students to the NASSH conference,
- 7) Develop a sport history essay competition.

Discussion occurred whether the sport history projects should primarily support sport history or whether they should primarily promote NASSH.

It was MOVED (Leon Coursey) and seconded that a Sport History Essay Competition be established for graduate students. The winner will be provided transportation and expenses to the next convention and a one year membership in NAASH. A committee will be appointed to administer the competition. PASSED (unanimously).

It was MOVED (Margaret Toohey) seconded and that the Essay Competition scholarship be named the NAASH Scholarship with the possibility that it be named for a prominent sport historian later. PASSED (unanimously).

The Council decided to explore the following projects which would be brought back to Council at the 1985 meeting.

- 1) T.V. documentary on sport history. (The video-tape British sport history documentary could be purchased for \$50.00 for use in the proposed project.) Tom Jable will chair this exploration.
- 2) High School Workshops on sport history. Betty Spears will chair this exploration.
- 3) Sport history promotion in local historical societies. Roxanne Albertson will chair this exploration.

It was MOVED (Tom Jable) and seconded that NASSH purchase one \$50.00 advertisement in Arete, The Journal of Sport Literature. PASSED (4 yes, 0 no, and 2 abstentions).

Tom Jable suggested that a survey be taken to determine the number and nature of sport history courses taught in North America. This project might be of value to those who teach courses and also to publishers who are determining potential sales of sport history text books. No action was taken on the proposal.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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