

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
May 26, 1985

The annual business meeting of the North American Society for Sport History was called to order by Pres. Alan Metcalfe at 10:35 a.m., May 26, 1985 in the Annett Recital Hall of the Fine Arts Building, University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse.

There were about 70 members present.

The minutes of the May 19, 1984 annual business meeting at the University of Louisville were approved as distributed.

Ron Smith distributed the Secretary-Treasurer's report. He indicated that NASSH was in good financial situation despite a slight drop in individual members in 1984. He said that his recommendation to raise institutional dues \$5.00 was passed by the Council.

It was MOVED (Earle Zeigler) and seconded to approve the dues increase to institutions. PASSED (unanimously).

Paula Welch, Nominations Committee Chair, reported the spring election as follows:
President-Elect: Richard Crepeau
Secretary-Treasurer: Ronald Smith
Members-At-Large: Joan Chandler
 Larry Fielding
 Hal Ray
Publications Board: Nancy Struna
 Alexander Young
Distinguished Lectures Committee: Robert Barney

Tom Jable, Convention Program chair, indicated that there were 24 sessions with 60 papers accepted. Presenters came from 24 states, 5 provinces, and 1 from the United Kingdom.

Tom Jable gave his progress report on the history of North American sport documentary. He indicated that he is attempting to obtain the B. B .C. sport documentary as a guide to see if NASSH would be interested in this type of project.

Roxanne Albertson reported on her efforts to determine the value of NASSH cooperation with local, state, and provincial historical societies. With council approval, it was decided to contact local, state, and provincial historical societies to offer our services in such areas as reviewing articles and books and to send copies of specific Journal of Sport History articles to those societies.

A committee was to be struck to report at the 1986 convention.

Judith Davidson indicated that her efforts to compile a bibliography of sport history films is making progress. She needs help from interested members.

Steven Reiss, Journal Editor, indicated that his first Journal issue will be out soon. He reported that a recent American Historical Association study ranked the Journal of Sport History 7th in the number of citations it received in other historical journals.

Jack Berryman, the previous Journal Editor, was thanked for helping to make the Journal of Sport History a valued periodical in his six years as editor.

Alan Metcalfe reported on the first NASSH Scholarship for the best graduate essay contest. He indicated that the next board of three reviewers was efficient. For the next year, the Council recommended that the winning paper must be submitted to the Journal of Sport History and that it would go through the regular review process at that time.

It was MOVED (Harry Jebson) and seconded to continue the NASSH Scholarship for Graduate Students. PASSED (unanimously).

Anna Beth Culver, convention manager, reported that there were 125 registered at the convention and 20 other guests. There were 51 registered who were non-program participants.

Barbara Schrodt, 1986 Convention Manager for the 1986 convention at the University of British Columbia, indicated that the convention would be held Saturday through Monday, May 24-26, 1986. There would be the usual reception of Friday, May 23rd. She said that the Vancouver Centennial, Expo 86, would add to the convention. Two other conferences would follow NASSH, a Comparative Sport Studies Symposium, and a Trail and River meeting. Accommodations would be somewhat higher priced than at Lacrosse.

The 1987 convention would be held in the spring at Capitol University in Columbus, Ohio with Harry Jebson as Convention Manager.

It was reported that the Council agreed to cooperate with Sport Search, a publication of Human Kinetics Publishers and the Sport Information Resource Center of Canada, which will be a reference publication similar to Current Contents, but for the sport humanities.

Alan Metcalfe reported that the Council had appointed Margaret Toohey as NASSH's Sport Media Consultant. The major idea was to let major TV networks know that expertise exists when they are doing programming based on sport history. Directories of Scholars will be sent to the major TV networks.

It was announced that David Wiggins has again agreed to be the editor of the annual Proceedings.

Alan Metcalfe made a statement as outgoing president of NASSH. He indicated that NASSH was an efficient organization and a major focal point of sport history research. He was concerned that we preserve the positive aspects of society as the group has a delicate balance among various disciplines who may have somewhat different views of sport and history.

Tony Mangan indicated that the HISPA convention would take place in Glasgow, Scotland at the end of June, 1985. There will be over 100 contributors.

David Porter said that the Biographical Dictionary of American Sport was progressing; that there would be four volumes including 2,000 biographical figures. There were still about 60 figures not commissioned.

Mary Lou LeCompte, Publications Board chair, indicated that the Publications Board would meet upon conclusion of the annual business meeting.

Dick Crepeau, new Convention Program chair, asked for ideas for the 1986 program.

Mel Adelman raised the possibility of NASSH meeting with other sport groups such as the Sport Sociology, Anthtopology of Play, or Sport Literature societies.

It was MOVED (Margaret Toohey) and seconded to consider NASSH's relationship with other sport organizations and the possibility of meeting with them at some future time. PASSED (unanimously).

As there was no further business, President Alan Metcalfe turned over the presidency to Thomas Jable.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald A. Smith,
NASSH, Sec.-Treas.