

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES  
May 25, 1986

The annual business meeting of the North American Society for Sport History was called to order by President Tom Jable at 10:35 a.m., May 25, 1986 in Room 100, Law Building, University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

The number present was about 69.

It was MOVED (Roxanne Albertson) and seconded to accept the 1985 business meeting minutes as published in the 1985 Proceedings. PASSED (unanimously).

Paula Welch announced the outcome of the spring election:

Publications Board - Ben Rader

Distinguished Lectures Committee - Roberta Park

NASSH Council presented a list of nominees for the Nominations Committee for two year terms. Those nominated were Judith Davidson, Lynne Emery, Harry Jebsen, Dick Keller, Jean Leiper, Don Morrow, and Jules Tygiel.

It was MOVED (Roxanne Albertson) and seconded that the nominations be closed. PASSED (unanimously).

Those elected were as follows:

Judith Davidson,

Dick Keller, and

Don Morrow

Barbara Schrodt gave a convention manager's report which showed 150 registrations, 129 regular and 21 social.

Dick Crepeau, program chair, asked for suggestions for sessions for the 1987 convention. He indicated that there would be a limit of only one presentation by any one individual at future conventions.

Ron Smith distributed the Secretary-Treasurer's Report. He said that membership continues to grow slowly. Expenditures are meeting receipts, while there are savings of about \$25,000, a reservoir of about one year's expenses.

Nancy Struna gave the Publications Board Report. She noted that operating codes were being written for the Publications Board, Journal Editor, and Advertising Manager. She indicated that the Journal will publish interviews - sparingly. An editorial policy will be published in a future Journal issue. The 13th edition of the University of Chicago Manual of Style will be used for style of manuscripts.

Steven Reiss, Journal editor, noted a planned competition for best article in the Journal of Sport History. Details will be published later.

Tony Papalas, times and site chair, indicated possible sites for future conventions, asking for discussion. They were Arizona State University (1988), Clemson University or University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (1989), and Banff, Alberta (1990).

It was MOVED (John Findling) and seconded to endorse the Arizona State University site for 1988, Clemson or North Carolina, Chapel Hill for 1989, and Banff for 1990. PASSED (unanimously with one abstention).

Judith Davidson, chair of the Film Bibliography Project, indicated that the estimated \$2,500 project of cataloging sport film with an annotated bibliography was making good progress. It should be available within a year.

Margaret Toohey-Costa, chair of the Sports Media Committee, reported that letters and the NASSH Directory of Sport Scholars had been sent to many film producers and television networks so that they might use the expertise of NASSH members when producing sport documentaries.

Roxanne Albertson, chair of the committee on NASSH cooperation with local historical societies, reported that 45 letters had been sent to local, state, and provincial history societies offering the services of NASSH. She noted that the following individuals agreed to serve in this cooperative effort:

John Dewar - Canadian Provinces  
Lynne Emery - Western U. S .  
Dick Keller - Midwest U.S.  
Roxanne Albertson - Southern U.S.  
Virginia Evans - Eastern U.S.

Reports of sport history cooperation with historical groups were noted:

One day conference by Ohio Historical Society (Bruce Bennett),  
“Brooklyn and Baseball” by Brooklyn Historical Society (George Krisch), and  
Washington State Centennial Games Commission is planning an 1889 celebration,  
and a book on Washington history has been published with a significant portion on sport  
(Jack Berryman).

The Graduate Student Essay Prize for the best paper on sport history had five entries. The committee of Jack Berryman, Joan Chandler, and Larry Gerlach chose Jan Todd, University of Texas at Austin as the winning entry.

The newly designed NASSH Brochure, created principally by Jerry Wright, has been printed. Copies are available from the Secretary-Treasurer for use.

The 1986 survey of interests of NASSH members in serving the organization were compiled and discussed by both the Council and, where appropriate, by the Publications Board.

The first, and hopefully last, NASSH Convention Strange Bedfellow's Award was given to Bill Beezley by President Tom Jable. Beezley could not find the podium to accept the award, as he could not find his room earlier.

Harry Jebesen, convention manager for the Capital Campus convention, May 23-25, 1987, gave a short preview of the future site. He foresaw a possible ball game between the Ohio Village Muffins and the NASSH Ramblers in an 1850s version of baseball.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald A. Smith  
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