

# **NORTH AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR SPORT HISTORY**

## **Annual Business Meeting Minutes**

May 28, 1994

The annual business meeting of the North American Society for Sport History was called to order by President Joan Paul, May 29, 1994 at 10:20 a.m. in Room 109 Physics, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.

There were about 87 present.

It was MOVED, Margaret Costa, and seconded that the minutes of the 1993 annual business meeting be approved as published in the 1993 Annual Proceedings. PASSED (unanimously).

Nancy Struna gave a Convention Program Report. She noted that there were fewer abstracts this year than in the past several years. Eleven completed sessions were submitted by organizers.

Several new ideas were included in the program: Breakfast roundtables; few triple sessions; few individuals on more than one session; and a free evening during the convention. Abstracts for 1995 will be called for by October 15th rather than the usual November 15th.

The Secretary-Treasurer's Report was given by Ron Smith. He indicated that the rather large drop in individual members and a slight drop in institutional members would lead to a likely deficit in 1995. As a result, a raise in the dues to individual and institutional members was proposed by the Council.

The Publications Board Report was given by Sam Regalado. Several items were offered:

- 1) He noted that JSH articles have not been received for citation in journals such as the Journal of American History. Expansion of the citations will be promoted by the Publications Board.

- 2) The smaller size of the Proceedings was endorsed and approved by the Publications Board and Council.
- 3) The editor's position will be allocated \$3,000 per year for editorial assistance.
- 4) The Publications Board endorsed the selection of fresh faces on the Editorial Review Board by a rotation basis, with a limit of 4 years and a break of 4 years between membership.
- 5) Abstracts will accompany manuscripts and used for promotion with other journals.
- 6) Joe Arbena may be unable to complete his editorial term, and a co-editor and eventual new editor will be sought by 1995.
- 7) The issues of the Journal will be listed Spring, Summer, and Fall beginning in 1995.
- 8) The Editorial Review Board was thanked, as was editor Joe Arbena.

The Journal Editor's report was given by Joe Arbena. The Winter issue was mailed in the previous week. The issues on the status of sport history will be published this year, probably in two issues. It is likely that the publishing schedule will catch up by the spring of 1995.

The Time and Site Committee Report was presented by Jan Todd. (Mim Shelton, Gary Koralek, Lynne Emery were also on the committee.) She indicated that the Baltimore proposal for 1995 was dropped in favor of Long Beach, California. Future NASSH meetings were noted. Auburn University has been proposed by 1996. She asked for future proposals for 1997, 1998, and 1999.

Margaret Costa presented the 1995 convention site possibilities at Long Beach, on the Queen Mary for May 26-29, 1995 or Cal State University Long Beach for June 2-5, 1995. Rooms on the Queen Mary would be about \$40-45 and a meal package for about \$110. Less expensive accommodations for noted for students. Free shuttles to various areas would be provided. Cal State would be priced at \$40 for room and board. The difference in price between the two venues was estimated to be \$120.00. Time and Site Committee did not have a recommendation.

It was MOVED (Bob Barney) and seconded that NASSH meet on the Queen Mary during the Memorial Day Weekend. PASSED (about 2-1).

The vote for the Nominations Committee was conducted. Council nominated 6 members: Bill Baker, Jim Coates, Lynne Emery, Don Kyle, Synthia Slowikowski and Stephen Wenn. There were no nominations from the floor. Elected were: Synthia Slowikowski (chair), Bill Baker, and Don Kyle.

It was MOVED (Council) to raise dues \$10.00 for individuals and institutions. PASSED (6 opposed).

Constitutional and By-Law changes as noted in the Spring 1994 newsletter were acted upon. Specific clarifications were made by President Paul.

- 1) Relative to the Program Committee added was the statement that there would be “at least two members of the Program Committee.”
- 2) The student member of the Council will be elected in the regular election.
- 3) All Past-presidents will be non-voting members of the Council. (This needed a unanimous vote at the Business Meeting to be included in the By-Laws because it was not included in the Spring 1994 Newsletter By-Law material.) It was accepted unanimously.

It was MOVED (Council) to accept the constitutional changes as published in the Spring 1994 newsletter. PASSED (unanimously).

It was MOVED (Nancy Bouchier) that an indemnity clause be included in the constitution, if it has not already been done. PASSED (unanimously).

Joanna Davenport gave a summary of the history of NASSH. She praised the early leaders of the organization who had vision. NASSH was formed out of group of individuals identified with the National Association for College Physical Education for Men. She noted convention sites, honor awards, business meetings, the Journal of Sport History, editors and type of articles and issues, editorial review board, directory of scholars, Sport on Film and Video guide book, student essay contest, book award prize, membership growth, membership fees, and photography.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Smith  
Secretary-Treasurer