

Society for American Baseball Research  
Halsey Hall Chapter

Meeting Minutes  
Sunday, August 2, 1992  
Stew Thornley's Residence

Attending: Thornley, Leachman, Wyman, Tholkes, Arpi, Gregory, Holst, Hathaway, (Brenda Himrich)

Meeting called to order: 10:15am

Secretary-Treasurer's Report - Hathaway

Hathaway asked for approval of meeting minutes from 4/11/92 and 6/7/92. Wyman noted that Alden Mead's last name was spelled "Mean" in the 6/7/92 minutes. Following a brief discussion of whether this modified spelling accurately reflected Mead's character, Hathaway agreed to the correction and the minutes were approved.

Hathaway reported a balance of \$695.79.

Events - Gregory

*Fall Regional*

Gregory confirmed the Fall Regional for Saturday, Oct. 24th at Mangini's. Cost will be \$12.50. Thornley reported ongoing negotiations with Johnny Blanchard as a possible guest. Nancy Mudge Cato may or may not come. Jay Weiner is also a possibility, but cannot be contacted as he is currently in Spain for the Olympics.

*Iowa Road Trip*

Leachman reported that a hotel in Clinton, IA has been reserved (the *Sunset Inn*) for members. Tickets will be for August 8th, 7:05pm at \$3.50@. 18 members were reported as likely to go; 20 tickets will be reserved.

The Clinton Giants management will give a tour of the park. A letter has been sent to the *Clinton Herald* sports editor, George Kampling, telling him about the Chapter and its activities.

*Detroit-Cleveland Trip*

Thornley reported a successful two-car trip to games in Cleveland and Detroit. The structure of the trip was informal and participating members did not necessarily stay together for all activities.

It was suggested that any member can announce trips and activities of this type in the newsletter and that they do not have to be formally sanctioned by the Board. Any announcements of interest to members could be made in the newsletter. Gregory added that such announced activities should be considered Chapter activities, but that the structure should be informal. It was suggested that the Secretary write an announcement for the newsletter outlining this idea for members.

*Family Day at the Twins Game*

Interest members should contact Stew Thornley.

## Membership

Renewal slips will be going out with the next two news letters. There will be a last push at the Fall Regional with the cut-off coming after that. The Directory will again be issued around the end of November.

Leachman suggested stamping the mailing labels of those members who have not renewed their membership as an added reminder.

It was decided that members who have joined since the Spring Regional should be considered paid for 1992-93. The membership rates will remain the same.

Wyman said the he has heard indirectly that some members (and past members) are dissatisfied with the Chapter newsletter.

Leachman suggested multi-year memberships. It was decided to table discussion of this matter until the Fall Regional.

Hathaway suggested pursuing local SABR members who were not members of the local Chapter. Thornley moved to send out a sample newsletter and membership applications to such SABR members. Motion was seconded and passed. Arpi agreed to prepare an introductory letter to use as an insert for the newsletter.

## Publicity - Thornley

Thornley will send out notices to the local media about the upcoming Regional.

## TV Show

Thornley announced the schedule for upcoming shows: Aug. 29th, Sept. 26th, Oct. 31st, and Nov. 21st, all at 10:00am.

## Newsletter

Holst questioned the policy of editorial discretion in accepting or rejecting contributions by members. Wyman said he would ask Rekela about his editorial policy.

## Old Business

Leachman displayed copies of the "Croix de Cow" certificate for distinguished service by Chapter members. The format was approved and reimbursement for Leachman was moved, seconded, and passed. The awards are to be given as the Fall Regional.

## New Business - none

Next Meeting: Sunday, Oct. 4th, 11:00 at Leachman's (Rochester)

Mtg. adjourned 11:53