

Halsey Hall Chapter of SABR

Board Minutes

Sunday, September 12, 1999 at the home of Bob Tholkes in Columbia Heights, Minnesota.

Present: **Stew Thornley, Kevin Hennessy, Mark Johnson, Bob Tholkes and Jim Wyman.**

The meeting was called to order about 6:30 p.m..

Minutes: the minutes were distributed in printed form previous to the meeting by mail. The correction was noted that Kerry Smith spells his name with a "C", not with a "K".

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Regional Chapter dues had been collected from 37 members, and the treasury currently held \$1,014.85. **Kevin Hennessy** also had deposited a check (not included in the \$1,014.85) that was to go to the Quicksteps - so a check will be written out to Bob Tholkes at a later date for that \$150 amount.

On Deck Circle: the next tapings will be Saturday, September 25th and then again on October 16th - a week earlier than usual to accommodate the Fall Regional. The tapings will begin at 10 am. both days.

Quicksteps: the last game of the season will be Sunday, September 26th at New Richmond, Wisconsin at 2:00 p.m.

Bob Tholkes announced that he will be taking a sabbatical from the Quicksteps next year, so the team will be needing a new manager or a managerial team. The duties for the position include scheduling, the newsletter, managing equipment, statistics and also serving as a backup umpire (so a non-smoking person, non-Mayoral person with a respectful demeanor would be appreciated).

Mini-Regional: the next one will be Saturday, October 2 at Keys Cafe in Roseville, which is located at Lexington and Larpenteur Avenues. In December the mini-Regional will return to Baker's Square at 66th and Xerxes, and will include tours of the former sites of both Nicollet Park and Lexington Park, weather permitting. **Stew Thornley** will be contacting **Glenn Gostick** to see if he is available to help with these tours.

Contact Personal in National Newsletter: it was noted that Stew should be the contact person in the National SABR newsletter now that he is the Membership Director.

Fall Regional: The date is set for Saturday, October 23rd, the date of the first game of the World Series. The location will be the United Methodist Church in Columbia Heights at 950 Gould Avenue.

Joe O'Connell is working on a speaker from the Twins, currently rumored to possibly be **Matt Lawton**. Details will be arranged by Joe, the current Events Chairman, such as whether there will be a silent auction, who will be doing research presentations and the order of events for the day once a speaker is in place. There is also the question of food - we could just bring in sandwiches as was done last Spring and charge those in attendance a nominal fee.

After the Regional proper, there will be a get-together at the Stew and Brenda's for the first game of the World Series.

New Business:

Holy Cow Newsletter: **George Rekela** has decided that his last month as newsletter editor was this past September. George has had a long tenure as newsletter editor and his consistency and dedication to putting out the monthly publication will be missed.

It has been decided the **Stew Thornley** and **Bob Tholkes** will take over the responsibility for putting out a chapter newsletter. The plan at present is to continue a monthly mailing that includes chapter news and notes, with a quarterly publication dubbed the *Holy Cow Extra* being distributed to coincide with the Hot Stove meeting, the Spring and Fall Regionals, and then one more to be mailed in the summer. Bob will be specifically coordinating the *Holy Cow Extra*. The first *Holy Cow Extra* would be ready for the Hot Stove meeting in January.

It will be left to the Spring Regional to make any amendments to the by-laws that may be necessary to further formalize an official position for a newsletter editor.

Next Meeting: Sunday, November 7, 1999 (most likely the last Board meeting for the 1900's) at the home of Mark Johnson, 5405 - 10th Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota at 5:30 p.m.