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Halsey Hall Chapter of SABR

Board Minutes of June 6, 2004

At Home of Stew Thornley

Present: Rich Arpi, Bob Tholkes, Chuck Blomquist, Rex Hamann, Cary Smith, Gregg Omoth, Stew Thornley.

Absent: Jim Wyman (outgoing board), Dean Thilgen (outgoing board), Tom Swift.

Treasurer's Report: Rich report \$ 559.10 in the treasury with no outstanding bills due.

Events: Howard had nothing to report. A new events chair, or Howard's reappointment, will be taken up by the new vice-president.

Quicksteps Vintage Baseball Team: Bob reported two events in May (at St. Olaf and at Dakota Village in Farmington) and two upcoming events in June. On June 13, the nine will engage the staff and spectators at Murphy's Landing and on June 18 (on Friday night) the team will have a game in Brooklyn Park. There was some discussion on what the chapter sponsorship of the Quicksteps really means since several chapter members are members of the St. Croix Base Ball Nine. All of the original Quicksteps were part of the Halsey Hall Chapter but over time several individuals have joined the team but not the chapter. They are encouraged to join the chapter but it has never been a condition for joining the Quicksteps. There has never been a financial relationship between the chapter and the team. The Quicksteps are a chapter activity for those members who wish to participate but membership in the team is not restricted to Halsey Hall Chapter members.

Television Show: Bob mentioned that it has been difficult to distribute videos to local cable companies and that there has been no interest among chapter members to borrow any of the shows.

Newsletters: Rich mentioned that the June issue will be out this week. Bob asked that it wait until national election results were known (Tuesday) which wasn't a problem. Rich will post a reminder for renewal for those members wishing a paper copy (\$ 12.00 per year)

Election results: The new board elected the following officers for the 2004-2005 season:

President: Stew Thornley
Vice- President: Cary Smith
Secretary: Chuck Blomquist
Treasurer: Rich Arpi

It was noted that discussion of new or re-appointment of newsletter editors and web-masters, whose terms start in January, will be taken up in a late fall meeting (November or December).

Fall Meeting: The board tentatively set the fall meeting for Saturday, October 23 at the Community United Methodist Church in Columbia Heights. Howie Schultz was mentioned as a possible guest....(Stew and Rich met Gregg Nelson at the Twins game on Tuesday....Gregg's brother is Jim Nelson, a major league umpire who was working that night's game....Gregg would check on Jim's availability....depends on his playoff schedule, if any)

SABR Bio Project: This project was discussed to see if writing bios on Minnesota players could become a chapter project. Nothing was really decided other than Rich should mention in the newsletter (sorry, no room this month...will try in July) the availability of bios on the bio project web-site and encourage chapter members to get involved.

Procedures: Stew would like to have written procedures and duties for each of the officers spelled out and posted on the chapter web-site. Current officers will write up something and submit it to the board in the near future. The duties of the newsletter editors and the web-master should also be written up. Also reports from officers and committees should be written up and filed in advance of the spring and fall meetings so members will have a chance to review them, either before the meeting or at the meeting.

Rex Hamann had copies of his just released book on the Milwaukee Brewers (American Association) published by Arcadia Press for sale. Rich will mention this in the newsletter.

Next meeting set for Sunday, August 8th: at either 5:00 or one hour after the end of the Twins game, whichever is later. At the home of Bob Tholkes....

Adjourned....