

HALSEY HALL CHAPTER BOARD MEETING

Minutes for Sunday December 7, 2014

At the home of Doug Skipper

Present: Doug Skipper, Steve Ginander, Jerry Janzen, Scott Cummings

Meeting called to order by Doug Skipper

Minutes from October 12 Board of Directors meeting approved with no additions or corrections.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Jerry Janzen reported that club balance is \$253.24. Treasures report was accepted with no additions or corrections.

Events Chair Report – Events Chair Scott Cummings reported:

The Halsey Hall Chapter fall meeting drew 30 members to Faith Mennonite Church on October 25. The meeting included research presentations by Sarah Johnson, Phil Lowry, Mike Hauptert, and Bob Tholkes. Baseball analyst Brandon Warne was the featured speaker.

Scott also announced that he was resigning his position as Events Chair due to an upcoming career change.

Upcoming events include Spring Chapter Meeting (April or May), and joint meeting with LaCrosse Chapter during summer. Scott Cummings also suggested a possible event in Duluth.

Newsletter – December Newsletter has been emailed to membership, and is available online. The Board extended its best wishes to Stew Thornley as he continues to recover from surgery.

Assistant Webmaster's Report – no report

Membership - The Halsey Hall Chapter welcomes Joseph Towalski and Zack Siegel to SABR.

Research Committee - The [Research Committee](#) will meet at the Hennepin County Southdale Library, 7001 York Avenue South, Edina 55435 at 7 p.m. on Monday, January 12 and Monday, February 23. For more information, contact [Brenda Himrich](#) or [Sarah Johnson](#).

Book Club - The Halsey Hall Chapter [Book Club](#) met Saturday, December 6 at 9:30 a.m. at Barnes & Noble in Har Mar Mall in Roseville to discuss *Voices of the Game: The First Full-Scale Overview of Baseball Broadcasting, 1921 to the Present* by Curt Smith. In addition, the group discussed the telecast of the 1978 Yankees-Red Sox tiebreaker game.

Old Business – (Darrell, in honor of Stew) During the October business meeting, a proposed revision to Article II, Section 2 of the by-laws was approved. The section now reads:

ARTICLE II: PUBLICATIONS AND WEB SITE

Section 2-Publication Editors/Webmaster/Social Media Director

The editor(s) of chapter publications, the webmaster (and assistant webmasters, if appropriate), and director of social media shall be appointed by the board of directors to a term of one year. The term shall start January 1. The term is renewable.

Membership approved payment to chapter domain name. Jerry Janzen reported the fee is \$226.40.

New Business –

- 1) Scott Cummings suggested a gift for speakers. Suggestions included \$25 gift card. Discussion was tabled for future meeting.**
- 2) Thank you notes – discussion of printing thank you notes to thank speakers. Suggestion was made to print more generic cards with chapter logo that could be used for multiple purposes. Discussion was tabled for future meeting.**
- 3) Fundraising – Possibility of a fundraiser to increase chapter budget were suggested and tabled for future meeting.**
- 4) Twins Fest – Doug Skipper said that he would reach out to Minnesota Twins regarding space at Twins Fest, January 23-25 at Target Field. The chapter has staffed a table at Twins Fest for several years.**

Doug Skipper will reach out to Stew Thornley about getting nominees to replace the board members whose terms expire in June of 2015. Board members whose terms are ending are Doug Skipper, Gary DeSmith, LeAnne Rohrbach, and Scott Cummings (who has resigned).

Review of upcoming chapter events –

The 100th Fred Souba Hot Stove Saturday Morning, an informal breakfast gathering for the purpose of talking baseball, was held November 1. The 101st breakfast will be January 3.

Next Meeting – Tentative meeting date of February 7, perhaps in conjunction with Book Club, suggested. Several board members suggested a day other than Sunday might be better. Doug Skipper will follow up with board members.

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes taken by Doug Skipper