

Jan. 17, 2022 Research Committee minutes

Attendees: Dave L., Stew T., Brenda H., Ed W., Gene G., Mike H., Hans Van S., Bob T.

1. Pre-meeting discussions: Ed's account of his attendance at Twins first exhibition game in Metrodome; he spoke to ump Durwood Merrill during the game; Stew also attended the game; he wrote a Games Story on it.
2. Trivia answers: Stew and Ed got a. Bernie Williams; Mike got b. Billy Williams; No one got c. Francisco Liriano until hints were given; Stew got d. Earl Williams; Stew got e. Dick Williams and related a balcony story about him; Bob got f. Walt Williams; no one got g. Jim Palmer because of a tricky-worded question deviated from the theme, but then Stew got it; Mike and Dave got h. Mitch Williams. Several incorrect guesses for i. , until hints were given, and Ed cheated and looked it up online. Answer- 1922. Ken and Cy Williams were guessed by Stew.
3. Spring Chapter Meeting April 30
Brenda's presentation on the WBC of 2017 approved; Dan Levitt's presentation on Sign-stealing approved. Bob Tholkes said he has material but will be in Cooperstown at that time.
Mike related a story about a trip to Cooperstown and meeting inductee Alan Trammel in the Library.
We came up with suggestions for other presenters: Tom Flynn (presented in 2018); David Karpinski, who does the Baseball Roundtable blog; Pete Gorton, who researches John Donaldson (presented in 2016) and advocates for his HOF induction. Stew will check with him.
4. Brookdale Library display and event: We are looking at reserving May 9 or May 2, and Bob Tholkes said he would be interested in giving a 20-minute talk. Stew will check to see if Brent Peterson of Washington County is interested in speaking also. Topics include Bud Fowler and Minnie Minoso. Stew will see if he can receive a couple copies of the recent BRJ (Negro Leagues) from SABR for the library.
5. Research Roundtable
Bob is working on the year-by-year research of the 1860s, and is on 1867 now.
Stew encouraged us to look up on YouTube the 1994-95 Trivia show he participated in. He will provide us more details.
6. Stew mentioned the upcoming Book Club on Feb. 5 at B & Noble 9:30am, and he will produce the next newsletter in about 2 weeks.
7. Next Breakfast is Saturday, March 12
8. Meeting adjourned at 8:20. Next Committee meeting: Monday Feb. 21 7:00 pm Zoom.