

SABR Halsey Hall Chapter Board Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2022
Perkins in Golden Valley

Board Members Present: Gene Gomes, Daniel Dorff, David Karpinski, John Swol, Jerry Janzen, Sarah Johnson

Also In Attendance: Bob Komorski, Howard Luloff, Stew Thornley

Stew reported that he attended the Field of Dreams game this past Thursday.

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by President Gene Gomes

1. Review of June 26 Minutes

Gene moved to approve minutes with no changes, John seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

2. Treasury report – Jerry

Jerry reported that we have \$820.47 in treasury and there were two recent expenditures - \$22 reimbursement to Jim Cox for purchase of door prize for fall chapter meeting and renewal of the yearly web hosting/domain for chapter website.

3. Research Committee report – Gene and Dave

At research committee meeting on July 18 Gene asked the group if he should keep including all the details and conversations of the meetings in the minutes as well as the trivia quizzes. The group concurred that it's okay to record the details even if there are digressing conversations. Stew said the chapter doesn't have a complete archive of the committee minutes but they should be kept. Stew asked Gene if he could send all the minutes he has from previous meetings and he would enter them into the chapter archives. Later that week Gene sent Stew minutes he had dating back to early 2019 and they are now available on the chapter website. Three presentations have been approved for the fall chapter meeting (Sam Sundemeyer, Ed Edmonds and Bob Tholkes) so there are two presentation slots still open. Next research committee meeting is Monday August 22.

4. New Business

As a followup to the question of reimbursing members for the costs of research Stew sent out a proposed amendment to the bylaws to board members which clarifies the policy. It suggests changing "Appropriations of chapter funds exceeding \$100 must be subject to approval by the board of directors" to "Members of the board of directors are authorized to spend up to \$100 for items such as supplies that are routine for the functioning of the chapter. Appropriations of chapter funds that are not routine for the functioning of the chapter or in excess of \$100 must be approved by the board of directors." John suggested that we add "in advance" to the end so it reads "must be approved by the board of directors in advance." Gene moved to approve bringing the amendment to the fall chapter meeting and John seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Events report – Howard

Howard reported that the Beloit trip included eight chapter members and attendees enjoyed an outstanding day featuring a pre-game talk with a West Michigan Whitecaps broadcaster, a tour of ABC Supply ballpark, a trivia quiz and a post-game meeting with Nancy Faust (former White Sox organist). At the fall chapter meeting Howard will serve as the emcee, Sarah will

bring donuts, Jerry will bring nametags and Gene will ask Dave to bring coffee and beverages. Howard asked Gene Larkin to be the guest speaker at our fall chapter meeting but Gene said he would be out of town. Howard asked the Twins about Corey Koskie but his speaking fee is \$1,000 so not affordable for the chapter. Howard will get in touch with T.J. Bohn, former MLB player from St. Louis Park, and see if he is available. Next hot stove breakfast is September 17 at Bunny's.

6. *Holy Cow* newsletter report – Stew

The next newsletter will be out before September 1, if you have any updates to include please send them to Stew.

7. Social Media report

Gene will check Twitter and follow up with Hans Van Slooten. Bob reported that we have gained six new members to our chapter Facebook page in the past couple of months bringing the total to 240. Bob is going to Baltimore for the SABR national convention so will post some photos while he is there. Gene mentioned that in February we had discussed the possibility of informing people who have liked our page but are not chapter members about joining our chapter so Bob said he will put an alert in the header people see when they post something to our page. David Karpinski reported that he has 985 postings on the chapter FB page.

8. Membership Chair report – Stew

Besides Ed Edmonds (who was already a SABR member but is new to our chapter), new members include Glenn Renick, Daniel Spewak, Alexander Rothschild and Dennis Lange.

9. Old Business

Darrel. Gene asked about board members joining meetings via electronic means for the purposes of being counted toward quorum. Stew will ask John Gregory for a good way to word that so we can discuss and bring it to a vote at the next board meeting. Gene brought up Bob Tholke's 130 VHS tapes of old baseball shows that is looking to give to someone. Howard was interested in looking at them so Gene will connect him with Bob so Howard can screen them and see what he wants to keep. Daniel mentioned that while watching the Facebook Live feed of the spring chapter meeting it was often hard to hear. Since Frank Kadwell may know how to improve the audio quality Gene will ask him if he's able to attend the fall chapter meeting. We can also request that presenters use the microphone and repeat questions before answering.

10. Book Club

Seven members attended the meeting on August 6. The next book is "Intentional Balk" by Dan Levitt and the meeting will be on October 8. The author will be in attendance if anyone would like to get an autographed copy.

11. Next Board meeting

Next board meeting is Sunday October 16 at 6 pm at Manning's in Southeast Minneapolis

Gene moved to adjourn meeting and Jerry seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.