

Halsey Hall Research Committee May 15, 2023 Zoom Meeting Minutes

Attendees: (13) Brenda Himrich, Dave Lande, Bob Kormoroski, Stew Thornley, Gene Gomes, Ed Edmonds, Hans Van Slooten, David Karpinski, Glenn Renick, Terry Bohn, Rich Arpi, John Buckeye, Doug Skipper

Pre-meeting discussions- we discussed the Twins-White Sox game which featured a position player pitching for the Sox. Gene started the meeting at 7:07 pm.

1. Zoom event of April 2 with four other AL Central SABR chapters drew about 56 people. Thanks to John Bonnes for giving the 2023 outlook for the Twins.
2. Spring Chapter Meeting wrap-up, comments, suggestions
 - scheduling and presentations went well
 - Thanks to Brenda for enlisting Guest Speaker Josh Ruffin
 - Howard's Trivia Quiz on Power Point went well
 - door prizes went well
 - elections for 2023 Board members: Daniel Dorff (second term), Howard Luloff, John Buckeye, Rich Arpi were elected
3. Ideas for Fall Chapter Meeting
 - Bob Kormoroski will follow up on helping Howard to line up a Guest Speaker: Hans knows her as a colleague at the Twins.
4. **Chapter News:** SABR will send out Surveys to all Chapters regarding their activities from June 2022 – May 31 2023. There are now firm expectations for Chapters to achieve goals listed in the SABR Chapter Governance and Standards Handbook*. SABR sent out surveys to a few chapters last year, not us. Our Chapter officially didn't even achieve the basic Starting Lineup Level- they didn't have info from us about our activities from June 2021 to May 2022. This year we will have to submit an Annual Report along with the Survey no later than May 31 to comply. We can earn \$\$\$ for our chapter. A link showing annual reports of chapters: <https://sabr.org/about/annual-reports/>

Our research committee needs to use these guidelines in planning events for 2023-24.

Some chapter requirements & standards listed by SABR:

-Financial report; By-Laws, Community outreach; membership recruitment plan; Chapter research project; elections of chapter leaders; Diversity & Inclusion; SABR Day event; chapter newsletter; 4 chapter meetings per year are required; program with a local organization; Chapters need 85% membership retention OR 8% growth.

Gene sent out copies of the SABR Chapter Standards as part of the agenda for tonight. We all took turns asking about the SABR survey and requirements. Gene explained that This is a new undertaking by SABR, and not optional. A few surveys were sent out last year. Our chapter didn't receive one. Gene and Stew have attended a few quarterly

Chapter Leaders Zoom Meetings over the last nine months led by Peter Cottrell, who explained this new undertaking for all chapters. Gene stated that he will complete the survey after conferring with Stew this week. Gene will also tackle the Annual Report- Halsey Hall Chapter didn't submit one last year-and ask Jerry to submit a 2022-2023 checking account statement.

*Please see [Addendum](#) at the end of this Agenda for Chapter Standards Levels

TRIVIA TIME QUIZ courtesy of Gene Gomes: **“Hoo-ray For May”**

1. The 2023 Oakland 'As payroll is \$56.9 million. This pitcher, a starter-turned-reliever for the Twins from 2014-2020, is their highest-paid player at \$7 million. **Trevor May**
 2. This All Star outfielder's best year was 1973 when he socked 25 homers and batted .303. He was later traded to Atlanta in November 1974 for Henry Aaron. Who is he? **Dave May**
 3. This first-round pick by the Cubs played from 1990-99 for six teams. He was first in Fielding % (.994) for left fielders two years after leading the league in errors (5). He is the son of the OF in question #2. Who is he? **Derrick May**
 4. Originally a California Angel, this lefty won an ERA title for an AL East team during his third stint with that team, which won the division that year but lost in the ALCS. He finished with 152 career wins. Who is he? **Rudy May**
 5. This Dodger righty, nicknamed Big Red, came up in 2019, posted a playoff win in 2020 as a reliever, and is now in the starting rotation. Who is he? **Dustin May**
 6. This slugger was traded to the Astros in a multi-player deal for Joe Morgan. He later went to the AL and overall launched 354 career homers with a 27.3 WAR. **Lee May**
 7. This first-round pick by the White Sox led the league in assists, errors and Fielding % in various years playing left field and first base. In 1972 he hit .308 and was an All Star. He is the little brother of the player in question #6. In what month was he born?
Carlos “Sweet Roll” May, born in May.
 8. He backed up catcher Manny Sanguillen for the 1970 Pirates and then was traded to the Royals along with Freddie Patek for pitcher Bob Johnson. Who is he? **Jerry May**
 9. He backed up catcher Manny Sanguillen for the 1971 World Series Champion Pirates. You shouldn't have to look up his last name! **Milt May**
 10. First name of the actress who said, “Between two evils, I always pick the one I never tried before.” **Mae West**
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5. Research Roundtable “Around the Horn”

-Research projects, books, questions:

Bob is reading a civil rights book, and a book by Marty Appel; Ed is on the Business of Baseball Committee, and noted that 11 in the HOF have law degrees; John is looking at WAR and MVP Awards, and also the impact of managers on winning; Stew commented on Ted Williams managing and coaching hitting for three years and improved the teams' records. Also, Stew commented that Bob Short was a failure as an owner. David Karpinski is updating stats for Negro Leagues, and receiving plenty emails; Glenn is contributing to the SABR Baseball Cards blog, focusing on the cards-not the players. He's also contributing to the Halsey Hall website. His passion is the archival of baseball cards, with his example of the 1913 Fatima Cigarettes set encased in holders and a case which he created, and showed to Gene at a Chapter meeting.

6. Next Research Committee meeting: June 19. We used the SABR Zoom account for this meeting, but will probably use our own next time. John Buckeye has the QUIZ; meeting adjourned at 8:47 central time.

*Addendum: (taken from SABR.org)

SABR Chapter Standards, Requirements

Chapter standards ensure SABR members across the world have a consistent experience and create opportunities for chapter leaders to share common ground, regardless of chapter size. In addition to the minimum standards to be a Starting Lineup Chapter, SABR has created a pair of chapter standards (All Star and MVP) that allow chapters to receive additional funding from headquarters. Measurement of chapter activities and their relation to chapter standards will occur in June of every year, meaning the annual calendar for chapter activities is June 1 to May 31.

Starting Lineup Chapters

Chapters are expected to meet the following requirements in order to maintain their status as a Starting Lineup Chapter. Failure to do so may result in actions from the SABR Board of Directors including chapter probation, suspension, or dissolution.

- ● Governance
 - ○ All officers and directors shall be active members of SABR.
 - ○ Chapters shall supply the names of their officers and/or directors, appointed and

elected, to the SABR office, and shall notify the SABR office promptly of all

changes in leadership.
 - ○ Chapter members shall be provided an annual opportunity to vote on chapter

leadership unless chapter bylaws provide for some other term.

- ● Activities
 - ○ Chapters shall hold at least one in-person and one virtual meeting per year. Meetings shall include baseball research and shall be open to SABR members and non-members alike.
 - ○ Chapters shall submit an annual report of activities to SABR headquarters to be included in SABR's annual report.
 - ○ Chapters shall deliver on the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Commitment
- ● Recruitment and Retention

○ Chapters shall identify a chair and/or committee responsible for recruitment of new members and retention of current members

● Membership

○ Chapters shall have a minimum of 10 members

● Finance and Legal

- ○ Chapters with bank accounts shall submit a summary of financial activities and list of members with financial access to SABR headquarters with their annual report of activities
- ○ Chapters may not violate any fundraising, membership, legal-entity, or logo usage details in the Finance and Legal section above

All Star Chapters

All Star Chapters must meet all of the criteria established in the Starting Lineup section as well as those listed below. Chapters reaching All Star status receive \$250 in funding each year and will be recognized at SABR's annual awards banquet.

● Governance

○ Chapters shall have an established set of bylaws governing chapter operations

● Activities

○ Chapters shall conduct a SABR Day activity or meeting

■ Need not occur precisely on designated day

○ Chapters shall create a newsletter that covers chapter news, events and other

subjects that are of interest to the chapter members ● Retention and Recruitment

- ○ Chapters shall achieve 80% or greater membership retention OR
- ○ Chapters shall achieve 5% or greater annual membership growth

■ Example: A chapter with 100 members needs to maintain 80 of their current members OR have a total of 105 members the next year.

MVP Chapters

MVP Chapters must meet all of the criteria established in both the Starting Lineup Chapter and All Star Chapter sections as well as those listed below. Chapters reaching MVP status receive \$500 in funding each year and will be recognized at SABR's annual awards banquet.

- ● Activities
 - ○ Chapters shall conduct a minimum of four (4) meetings each year
 - ○ Chapters shall engage in a research or other project of their choosing
- ● Retention and Recruitment
 - ○ Chapters shall achieve 85% or greater membership retention OR
 - ○ Chapters shall achieve 8% or greater annual membership growth

■ Example: A chapter with 100 members needs to maintain 85 of their current members OR have a total of 108 members the next year.

- ● Relationships
 - Chapters shall conduct programming - whether a one-time event or on-going - with a local organization which creates member and regional benefit