

Halsey Hall Research Committee June 19, 2023 Minutes Zoom Meeting

Attendees (7)- Dave Lande, Gene Gomes, Bob Kormoroski, John Buckeye, Glenn Renick, Alec Stais (Seattle), Ed Edmonds

1. Pre-meeting discussions- Intro of Alec Stais, now in Seattle from NY; we discussed the ineptness of the two Chicago franchises despite their large markets and fan bases.
2. Reviewed May 15, 2023 Research Comm. Minutes; Approved Minutes.
3. Recent Board Group meeting: Rich Arpi was elected President & Daniel Dorff Secretary. Bob Tholkes, in VP David Karpinski's absence, appointed Howard and Bob Kormoroski to co-chair Events committee. Stew and John Buckeye will handle Membership. Gene and Dave Lande will co-chair Research Committee.
 - The Board is looking into paying for a Chapter Zoom account, looking at cost and email particulars.
4. Our Chapter sent in the Chapter Annual Report for June 2022-through May 2023 to SABR. This is posted on the www.HalseyHall.org website. Our Chapter also sent in the new Chapter Survey which lists standards and standards for chapters to achieve. Our research committee and Board needs to use these guidelines in planning events for 2023-2024. Items to consider:
 - SABR Day event, besides Twins Fest: suggested an author Zoom event, or a beat writer or Dan Hayes of the Athletic.
 - ideas: program with a Vintage Baseball group, event with Corky Gaskell about baseballs; Gene suggested contacting the Milwaukee SABR Chapter for a co-event;
 - Chapter-wide research project: continue Spread of Baseball in Minnesota Counties
 - additional meetings offered besides our Spring and Fall?
5. Possible presentations for Fall Meeting
 - Any candidates who may be ready to present for the Fall?
 - Ed suggested an attorney from Twins Mary Geisler who lives in St. Paul;
 - problems with streaming the Spring Meeting on Facebook –need two iPads at meeting
 - Amanda Daley of Twins for guest speaker is a possibility
6. SABR 51 Chicago: take some photos we can post on Facebook

7. Trivia Time Quiz, courtesy of John Buckeye - KinFolks

1. The shared last three letters of the last name of these two Hall of Fame fireballers who each won their only World Series when their team walked it off in a Game 7 against a New York team, giving each the win in relief. They also share the first word in their respective nicknames. Okay, they share their whole last names, too. **Walter Big Train Johnson & Randy Big Unit Johnson**
2. This team, the only one of the major N. Amer. sports in their market, has won but one World Series game, despite making two in their history. They've recently gone back to their original colors, so maybe they can improve that history. (Or, what the kids are calling them these days). **Padres**

3. This HoF Negro Leagues legend purportedly was so fast he could “Turn the hotel light off and be in bed before it went off”, according to a teammate and fellow legend. He was born James Thomas, and played mostly for the St. Louis Stars and the Pittsburgh Crawfords. **Cool Papa Bell**
4. The nickname of this Hall of Fame Dominican DH who shares the record for most postseason walk-off homers with a current Twin who just got his “first ever”. **David Big Papi Ortiz**
5. The theme song of the 1979 Pittsburgh Pirates who came back from a three-to-one World Series deficit against the Orioles, to win their second against them that decade (both in seven). Hey, Blyleven was on this team! **We Are Family**, by **Sister Sledge**
6. Nicknamed Big Poison and Little Poison, they played for the above franchise much earlier in the 20th Century. Neither won a World Series, but they were going up against the Murderer’s Row Yankees in the one Series they each made. **Paul and Lloyd Waner**
7. Once a promising closer for the Mets, has since fallen on harder times, jumping around teams for the last three seasons. He’s currently pitching in Green and Gold. **Jeury’s Familia**
8. These two became the first father and son to hit homers back-to-back for their team in the 1990 season. The son would later play for his father’s original team as well. **Ken Griffey and Junior Griffey**
9. When the franchise moved, the team became the first major league baseball team to be named after somewhere other than a city. Their hats also became the first to have letters that stand for neither the team nickname nor the place they represent. Minnesota **Twins**
10. Name the sibling combination with the most home runs in Major League history. You’ve definitely heard of one of them! **Henry & Tommie Aaron**

8. Research Roundtable – Around the Horn: Bob K. mentioned a vintage newsreel of the 1924 Series on National Archives. Alec mentioned the “Baseball Odds” website; The “Nine” Zoom event in Oct.; Ed may write his Anti-trust Trilogy for an article; Dave Lande signed to do a Game Story in Dodger Stadium book; Glenn is studying two “identical photos” on 3D baseball cards by Frito Lay and Kelloggs in 1970 and 1972.

-Stew’s article in the Spring SABR *Baseball Research Journal* on “Non-No-Hitters”

-Glenn question about having trouble logging into Periodicals on SABR site. He is given the phrase “clear the caches”. Ed said try Bing browser.

- we discussed the sagas of the Kansas City and Seattle franchises into the AL. Bowie Kuhn.

9. Next Meeting July 17. Ed Edmonds will submit the Trivia Time Quiz.

10. Meeting adjourned 8:46.