

Halsey Hall SABR Board Jof Directors Meeting
Monday, August 25, 2025

Board members in attendance: Ed Edmonds, Mike Hauptert, John Buckeye, Rich Arpi, Howard Luloff, Terry Bohn, Jacob Sayward. Others: Gene Gomes, Stew Thornley, Dave Lande, Bob Komoroski.

President Ed Edmonds called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

732 Meeting begins

1. Terry motions to approve the agenda , adding new business "Member relations":
John seconds

2. Rich motions to approve the minutes, Terry seconds

3. Treasurer's Report- Rich Arpi

There is a total of \$1,789.34 in the treasury. All bills have been paid and the total treasury amount includes \$500 from National office for MVP status received on July 24.

4. Membership Report; - John Buckeye and Stew Thornley

The Chapter added four members – Ethan Schmid, Gary Moskalyk, Mike O'Brien, and Mike Zarling – since the May 27 board meeting and since June 1, the beginning of the SABR fiscal year. As of August 24, 2025, the chapter has 184 SABR members who list the Halsey Hall Chapter as their primary chapter; down a little bit- worth having a meeting over; seeing what the situation is with those who have dropped
Stew vomited at the Sportsman's Inn, now called Como Tap; John other places

5. Newsletter Report- Stew Thornley

The September 2025 newsletter will be out soon after this board meeting.

Stew to "assuage"- good word. We are still sending a hard copy to a member is still getting one mailed to him

6. Book Club Report- Ed Edmonds

The Book Club met on Saturday, August 9 at the Barnes & Noble in Har Mar Mall. Seven members attended the meeting to discuss Jason Miller's A Time for Reflection: The Parallel Legacies of Baseball Icons Willie McCovey and Billy Williams by Jason Miller. The book selected for the next meeting on October 4 is Bill Madden, Yankees, Typewriters, Scandals, and Cooperstown: A Baseball Memoir (2025).

7. Social Media Report - Bob Komoroski

There are 318 members of Facebook, and 69 members of Bluesky, 816 on X
discussed being a little more active on Twitter/X

8. Research Committee - - Gene Gomes and Dave Lande

There were ten attendees for the July meeting and fifteen for the August meeting.

The committee approved three research presentations for the Fall Chapter Meeting:

1. Richard Bogovich, "Black Baseball in Southeastern MN"

2. Mike Zarling, "MLB Milestones: A Brief History and Who Might Join"

3. Ed Edmonds, "The 50th Anniversary of the Peter Seitz Free Agency Decision"

There is no Guest Speaker lined up yet.

Dave Lande will hand off the chapter projector to someone to bring to the Fall Meeting, since he will be out of town.

9. MVP Committee Report - Gene Gomes

The Halsey Hall Chapter Annual Report for 2024-2025 is posted on SABR.org with other chapter reports. See <https://sabr.org/about/annual-reports/>

Chapter events and attendance records are being kept. A collaborative event with another entity open to the public is needed for 2025-2026.

In addition, our chapter research project of Baseball in Minnesota, led by Rich Arpi, needs more participants.

Chapter membership is being monitored by Stew and John B., and documented in the newsletter.

10. Events Committee Report- Howard Luloff and Bob Komoroski

On July 15, the annual All Star Game party was held at Manning's in Minneapolis. As for the Guest Speaker for the Fall Meeting, Howard has contacted Jim Cox about the possibility of having LaVelle E. Neal of the Star-Tribune for either the Fall or next year's Spring Meeting. If Neal is unavailable for October 25, Howard will contact current Gopher baseball head coach Ty McDevitt.

Phil Lowry is trying to organize a group for an August 31 townball outing in Brownton. Ed sent a blast email to all Chapter members on August 13.

Bob is working with Mark Armour to schedule a Zoom event this fall so he can present a localized Satchel Paige in the Upper Midwest presentation. This has been complicated by the Zoom-bombed presentation he was giving to the Chicago chapter last week. Bob will stay in touch with him so we can find a convenient date.

Marshall Garvey is still interested in discussing his book Interstate '85: The Royals, the Cardinals, and the Show-Me World Series this fall. Bob will be in touch with Marshall about arranging a date.

There is a Zoom event coming on October 1 with Jane Leavy. This is a joint event with the Keltner, Rothe and Central Illinois chapters, and Michael Hauptert and Mary Shea of the Keltner Chapter will serve as hosts. Allusions to the upcoming townball event and how we maybe should discuss how we encourage members to go thru proper channels.

11.- Proposal for By Laws- Michael Hauptert

Under consideration for a vote this meeting is a new officer/election structure to change the current By-Laws presented by the By-Laws and Procedures Review Committee. If approved the changes will be submitted to the membership at the fall meeting. The proposed new language includes direct election of the four officers, the election of a president-elect with the president moving to immediate past president as a third year on the board. The current wording and the proposed changes are available at <https://halseyhall.org/bylawsproposed25.html>

The changes would go into effect next year and create the need for a transition plan between the current board and the new one.

If this proposal is approved at the Fall Meeting, the board will be charged with passing the transition plan. If the proposed By-Laws changes are approved at this meeting, we will have a discussion of the transition plan. However, the transition plan will not be voted on at this meeting but will be finalized and approved by the board only if the new By-Laws changes are approved at the Fall Board Meeting. The purpose being to keep the participation fresh- not letting members feel like the same people are on the board. We are trying to stagger the director elections more.

Possible secret ballot

See: <https://halseyhall.org/bylawsproposed25.html>

Under the Bylaws of the Chapter proposed for 2025, specifically the changes made to Article III: Officers

Jacob moved to vote on the proposal, Ed seconded

Proposal passes unanimously

Discussion of how to handle situations that have arisen recently.
Pillbox discussion

Motion for meeting to Adjourn by Mike, second Howard