

NASSH Steering Committee Meeting, 24 May 1973

Minutes

The meeting of the NASSH Steering Committee was called to order by Chairman Marvin Eyler at 9:05 in Room 604 of the Ohio State University, Center for Tomorrow. Present were: Bruce Bennett, Marv Eyler, Kevin Jones, Guy Lewis, John Lucas, Betty McCue, Alan Metcalfe, Mary Lou Remley, and Ron Smith. Composition of the membership on the Council of NASSH was discussed. The need for representation from Canada, Mexico, and the United States was a major concern.

It was MOVED (Kevin Jones) and seconded that the Constitution of NASSH, Article V, Section 2 be amended with the following words: "... and ex-officio members from related organizations as approved by the Council." (The appropriate sentence in Section would thus read: "The Council shall consist of the officers of the society and the immediate past President and ex-officio members from related organizations as approved by the Council.") PASSED (Unanimously).

The question of nominations for the 1973 elections was brought up. Guy Lewis withdrew from the nomination as President. Mary Lou Remley withdrew from the nomination as Secretary-Treasurer. Ron Smith withdrew from the nomination as Editor.

Guy Lewis reported as Program Chairman. He noted late changes in the program of the convention which were corrected in the official program. Mary Lou Remley reported as Membership Chairman. She noted the lists of possible members which she had sent to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Ron Smith reported as Secretary-Treasurer. A written report was handed out.

It was MOVED (Ron Smith) and seconded that the Secretary-Treasurer's Report be received. PASSED (Unanimously). (See attached report.) John Lucas reported as Time and Site Chairman indicating that he and Kevin Jones had worked on future sites for the convention.

Kevin Jones, after some preliminary work, suggested that the 1974 convention be held in Western Canada at The Banff Centre, Banff, Alberta. Kevin Jones was asked to call The Banff Centre to verify one of three dates, May 9-12, May 3-5, or June 6-9.

John Lucas suggested that the 1975 convention be held in Eastern or Midwestern United States and the 1976 convention be in the Olympic City of Montreal.

Guy Lewis suggested that we should consider holding a meeting in conjunction with the American Historical Association or the Organization of American Historians. It was agreed that Edwin B. Henderson and Seward C. Staley be made Honorary Presidents of NASSH.

Marv Eyler brought up the question of the possibility of publishing a journal. He was concerned about quality control and the need for adequate membership to support it financially.

Ron Smith discussed a 3 page proposal for publishing a journal of sport history. The proposal included a rationale, cost estimates, composition, and administrative structure. (See attached report.)

It was MOVED (John Lucas) and seconded that a refereed journal be commenced in addition to a newsletter, one issue of which is to be published to include many of the appropriate items which would ordinarily be included in a proceedings. PASSED (Unanimously)

Marv Eyler will appoint a Publications Committee which will report to the next Council of NASSH on the publishing of a journal. Meeting Adjourned. 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald A. Smith
Secretary-Treasurer