

2018 NORTH AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR SPORT HISTORY BUSINESS MEETING

President Jan Todd called to order the 46th annual Business Meeting of the North American Society for Sport History at 4:06 p.m., May 26, 2018, in the Concert Hall of the Fort Gary Hotel, Winnipeg, Canada. There were approximately 83 in attendance.

1. Approval of the Agenda PASSED (unanimous)
2. Approval of the 2017 Business Meeting Minutes PASSED (unanimous)
3. Executive Council Meeting Recap—Jan Todd
 - a. Conference Manager: 180 people registered for the conference (139 faculty registrants; 40 student registrants; 15 people came as partners); several people dropped out; Russell Field proposed setting a deadline by which people must register for the conference; 17 people attended the pre-conference.
 - b. Website: Andy Linden has rebuilt the website; this was the first time NASSH has accepted abstracts online.
 - c. Disciplinary Matter: Todd formed an ad-hoc committee to deal with a disciplinary matter. This committee will continue with five members. There was a question about liability insurance for NASSH; Thomas Hunt will look into it.
 - d. Distinguished Lectures Committee: one distinguished lecture this year; one plenary session.
 - e. NASSH Honors and Awards: to be announced at the banquet.
 - f. Graduate Student Essay Contest: 2018 winner is Austin Duckworth, UT Austin.
 - g. Dissertation Travel Grants: 2018 winners are Connor Heffernan, University College Dublin and Tiego Maranhao, Vanderbilt University
 - h. Graduate Student Representative: There is a graduate student social and graduate student panel at this year's conference.
 - i. Arbena Scholarship Committee: 2018 winner is Alex Nuñez, U. of Arizona
 - j. Membership Committee: Graduate Diversity winners are Paulina Rodriguez Burciaga, Penn State, and Tonya Jones, UT Austin; no honorable mentions.
 - k. IT Committee: Colleen English (chair) has created a chart that outlines our online presence. The committee will work on re-establishing the directory of scholars; creation of a system to directly contact NASSH members by email
 - l. Publication Board Report: Will begin negotiating with University of Illinois Press on publication schedule, online pre-publication, impact factor, and social media presence. The publication contract has expired and is renewed on a year-to-year basis; the Board will consider other contracts and publishers. The Board discussed the value of pre-conferences and how they should continue. Malcolm McLean will be the new chair of the Publications Board (replacing John Wong)
 - m. Ad-Hoc Marketing Committee: The committee members created an extensive report, which is under review.
 - n. NASSH 50th Anniversary Committee: Proposed returning to Ohio State (site of first NASSH conference); possibility of Penn State as conference site; possibility of oral history. Members should send ideas to Lindsay Pieper and Alison Wrynn (co-chairs).
4. Treasurer's Report—Thomas Hunt: We are in good financial shape (Fidelity Savings, \$419,000); our graduate student membership numbers are stable; institutional numbers are declining—membership prices have increased through U of Illinois Press. Operational funds \$87,000; \$76,000 from UIP (includes licensing fee from UIP); \$85,000 in disbursements.

5. Program Committee Report—David Wiggins: The committee received 119 individual abstracts and 13 complete sessions; the online submission process went well (coordinated by Andy Linden). George Mason U. provided assistance with the program. Council discussed and supported allowing poster presentations and new presentation formats.
6. Election of the 2019 Nominations Committee: Dan Nathan (chair), Nancy Bouchier, Carly Adams.
7. Time and Site Committee Report—Steven Gietschier: Committee recommended that we hold the NASSH 2019 conference at The Riverside Hotel in Boise, Idaho. PASSED (unanimous)
8. Hiring of Professional Conference Manager: Kim Scott (formerly of Human Kinetics) offered her services for \$10,000 per year; Todd proposes a two-year experiment with Kim Scott with the understanding that members can still submit bids to host NASSH. Dave Wiggins (moved) Bob Barney (second).
 - a. Discussion included separating the issues between voting on hiring a manager and voting on hiring Scott. Has she managed a conference in Canada? Would there be a continued commitment to host the conference in Canada? Could the manager help organize the program? Where does the \$10,000 come from? Would she agree to a one-year contract?
 - b. Motion PASSED (46 for; 13 opposed; 14 abstentions)
9. New Business
 - a. Sue Smith: If anyone would like a copy of back issues of the *Journal of Sport History* please let her know.
 - b. Vicky Paraschak moved “That NASSH acknowledge our endorsement of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and adopt it as one principle of our organization.” PASSED (unanimous)
 - c. Ari deWilde: Moved that NASSH to endorse the Organization of American Historians’ guidelines for faculty and adjunct faculty rights. Second: Tolga Ozyurtcu. Vicky Paraschak suggested an amendment to create a sub-committee to review the guidelines and bring the motion back to members in 2019. PASSED (unanimous)

President Jan Todd officially adjourned the 2018 NASSH Business meeting at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jaime Schultz, NASSH Secretary