



NASSH Timeline

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1956

Marvin Eyler, who later successfully administers the creation of NASSH, receives his PhD under a “sport historian,” Seward Staley, at the University of Illinois.

1958

Marvin Eyler and Seward Staley discuss the potential of a sport history organization.

1960

Seward Staley is instrumental in creating a history of sport section of the National College Physical Education Association for Men (NCPEAM).

1961

Max Howell, a future NASSH president, becomes a professor at the University of Alberta, a Canadian institution that then turns out a number of early sport historians. He continues for the next eleven years at Alberta until moving to San Diego.

Guy Lewis, a graduate student at the University of Maryland, first thinks about a “Society of Sport Historians,” while taking a seminar from Carl Bode, professor of American studies and English.

1963

April

Bruce Bennett of the Ohio State University is appointed historian for the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation (AAHPER), which does not include a section for the history of physical education and sport.

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1964

July 30

Guy Lewis completes his PhD at the University of Maryland under Marvin Eyer.

1966

January 17

Guy Lewis, now at Penn State, outlines his society of sport historians idea to his former University of Maryland advisor Marvin Eyer. This would include an executive office, publications (including a journal), conventions, membership, a National Sports Library, and an international federation.

February 22

Seward Staley tells Guy Lewis that he has a “grand project” for a sport history organization and to “push ahead with this ”project.”

Earle Zeigler, University of Illinois, responds to Guy Lewis, concerned that a history of sport group might be another splinter organization by “slicing the baloney too thin” among researchers in physical education.

March 17

Guy Lewis sets up a meeting at the AAHPER to discuss a sport history organization. Only three people attend. Another meeting is scheduled for March 20, but only four people show up: Marvin Eyer (Maryland), Guy Lewis (Penn State), Ace Moore (Illinois), and Seward Staley (Illinois).

April

Bruce Bennett is asked by the AAHPER to hold a meeting at its convention to see how many individuals are interested in the history of physical education. Over sixty individuals attend.

November 30

Guy Lewis calls for a meeting of those interested in sport history to meet at the annual convention of the American Historical Association (AHA) in 1967.

1968

The AAHPER creates a specific History of Physical Education section.

April

Bruce Bennett convenes a meeting at the AAHPER convention for those interested in physical education history, featuring individuals who have written histories of physical education, including himself, Mabel Lee, Deobold Van Dalen, and Arthur Weston.

Spring

The First International Seminar for the History of Physical Education and Sport is convened by Uriel Simri at the Wingate Institute in Israel, with Bruce Bennett attending and representing the AAHPER.

1969

The AAHPER creates a specific History of Physical Education section.

February 12

Guy Lewis again proposes a society for sport historians at a convention of the AHA.

April

The first official meeting of the AAHPER section on History of Physical Education is held at the AAHPER conference in Boston. John Betts, a cultural historian from Boston College, is the featured speaker, suggested to Bruce Bennett by Guy Lewis.

Guy Lewis organizes a bus tour of important sport and physical education sites following the 1969 AAHPER conference in Boston. The tour includes the Springfield YMCA; Smith College; the NBA Hall of Fame and Museum; the Round Hill School, at which Bruce Bennett reads from his recent article; Amherst College; and Mount Holyoke.

1970

Alan Metcalfe, University of Windsor, establishes the first journal for sport history, the *Canadian Journal of History of Sport and Physical Education* (CJHSPE).

1971

March

Bruce Bennett and Seymour Kleinman of the Ohio State University organize the first Big Ten Symposium on the History of Sport and Physical Education in Columbus. The featured presenter is John Betts.

November 24

Alan Metcalfe offers to make CJHSPE the journal of NASSH, rather than to have two journals.

December 2

Marvin Eyler sends a memorandum to NCPEAM members raising six questions to be discussed at a special session on January 10, 1972, on the formation of a separate sport history organization. A major question is "Should we have an annual meeting to provide the proper locus for the reading of research done in this area?" Guy Lewis is the earliest promoter for an independent sport history organization and had asked his dissertation advisor Marvin Eyler for administrative help in setting up this meeting.

December 28

Guy Lewis, Jack Berryman, Alan Metcalfe, and John Mallea present papers on sport as social history at the AHA in New York City.

1972

January 10

NASSH is formed at a meeting of the NCPEAM meeting in New Orleans, a special meeting of forty-two Americans and one Canadian (Alan Metcalfe) and chaired by Marvin Eyler.

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The vote to form NASSH is passed with four abstentions. Marvin Eyer is asked to select a Steering Committee to oversee the formal establishment of NASSH.

February 8

An eleven-person NASSH Steering Committee is appointed by Marvin Eyer. It consists of Bruce Bennett (Ohio State); Thomas Davis (Boston College); Kevin Jones (York University); Guy Lewis (Massachusetts); John Lucas (Penn State); Marvin Eyer (Maryland); Betty McCue (Oregon); Mary Lou Remley (Wisconsin); Alan Metcalfe (Windsor); Ron Smith (Penn State); and Richard Wettan (Queens College).

March 7

Marvin Eyer sends out the first draft of the proposed NASSH Constitution to the Steering Committee.

May 1–3

NASSH is formalized as the NASSH Steering Committee meets at the Second Canadian Symposium on the History of Sport and Physical Education, University of Windsor, Ontario, led by Alan Metcalfe.

June 15

Marvin Eyer sends out the third draft of the proposed NASSH Constitution to the Steering Committee.

November

Marvin Eyer opposes the publication of a journal of sport history at this time because he believes there are inadequate quality articles on the subject.

1973

January 6

The NASSH Steering Committee meets for the second time at the NCPEAM conference. It formally adopts the constitution when voted on by Guy Lewis, John Lucas, Marvin Eyer, Ron Smith, and Ric Wettan. Six committees are established—budget, constitution, membership, nominations, program, and time and site.

The NASSH seal, “Runner with a Torch,” is accepted for the constitution, a fifth BCE artifact from the Villa Guila Museum in Rome. It is reproduced from a photo by Max Howell, third NASSH president, and offered as the seal for NASSH by Ron Smith.

The NASSH Steering Committee names three honor addresses for John Betts, Seward Staley, and Max Howell.

The NASSH Steering Committee decides to publish the proceedings of the first NASSH conference in abstract form.

The NASSH Steering Committee votes to make Penn State University Archives the repository of NASSH.

The Steering Committee makes the president-elect of NASSH the representative to the International Council of Physical Education and Sport (ICPES).

The Steering Committee decides to have a special student section at the first NASSH conference.

May 24–27

The first NASSH annual conference is held at the Ohio State University under the conference management of Bruce Bennett, with eighty-two people in attendance.

May 24

The NASSH Steering Committee votes unanimously to publish a *Journal of Sport History*, after a three-page proposal by Ron Smith to do so was discussed.

Tape recording of NASSH meetings is started by Secretary-Treasurer Ron Smith.

The first conference Book Display of sixty-six books is shown, procured by Ron Smith, setting the precedent for the next half-century.

May 25

Marvin Eyler is elected first president of NASSH by acclamation.

Ellen Gerber, University of Massachusetts, moves to publish a refereed journal with “dispatch.”

The elected officers of NASSH are President Marvin H. Eyler (Maryland); President-Elect Guy M. Lewis (Massachusetts); Secretary-Treasurer Ronald A. Smith (Penn State); Editor Alan Metcalfe (Windsor); and Members-at-Large Bruce L. Bennett (Ohio State), Betty F. McCue (Oregon), and Mary Lou Remley (Wisconsin).

The first two honor awards are presented to Edwin B. Henderson and Seward C. Staley. Both receive the Honorary President award.

May 26

To encourage student involvement in NASSH, a special student section is held at the first NASSH conference.

December 31

NASSH membership, not including institutional members (libraries), reaches 221. NASSH’s fund balance is \$403.79.

1974

March 30

Jack Berryman, representing NASSH, attends a “Specialized Societies and Affiliated Groups” held by the AHA in Washington, DC.

May

The first issue of the *Journal of Sport History* is published under the editorship of Alan Metcalfe of the University of Windsor.

May 9–12

The Second Annual NASSH Conference is held in Canada at the University of Western Ontario, London, with Bob Barney as the conference manager.

May 9

Marvin Eyler calls for operating codes to be drawn up by the chair of each standing committee for 1975.

Guy Lewis proposes a sport history honors society, *Circulus Honororum (Praeclarus)*. It is later voted down at the annual business meeting whose members believe the idea too elitist. Of the approximately fifty-five members present, only seven vote in favor.

1975

April 16–19

NASSH meets for the first time with a major history group, the Organization of American Historians, in Boston.

April 16

The NASSH Council rejects any formal affiliation with present sport history groups, principally aimed at two European sport groups, the International Association for the History of Physical Education (HISPA) and the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSPE), which are considered cold war groups pushing their own political agendas rather than history.

Honor awards are presented to John A. Krout, for his American sport history book, and Robert W. Henderson, a researcher who exposed the Abner Doubleday myth.

Fall

The first NASSH Directory of Scholars is completed under the editorship of Jack Berryman.

December 31

NASSH individual membership is recorded as Canada-37, Mexico-0, United States-270, and non-North American-16.

1976

June 15

NASSH Council votes to expand the *JSH* from two to three issues per year.

The NASSH Council votes to pay the expenses of non-NASSH members if they are chosen to be speakers for the Distinguished Lectures.

The NASSH archival material becomes a permanent collection in the Penn State University Archives.

1977

May 17

The NASSH Council announces the election of its first woman president, Mary Lou Remley, University of Wisconsin.

Marv Eyler is asked by the NASSH Council to draw up a proposal for the incorporation of NASSH.

After several years of discussion, the NASSH Affiliations Committee urges NASSH to consider periodic meetings with subdisciplinary societies. No action ensues.

May 19

It is announced that Alan Metcalfe will conclude his editorship of the *JSH* at the end of the year. Jack Berryman is chosen to succeed Metcalfe.

May 20

NASSH members vote to charge commercial units \$100 for reprinting *JSH* articles.

1978

May 23

The NASSH Council recommends that NASSH should be incorporated in the state of Maryland.

November 29

NASSH becomes incorporated as a Domestic Non-Stock Corporation in the state of Maryland.

1979

May 29

The NASSH Council determines that, in the future, ties in NASSH elections votes would be settled by the Nominations Committee.

The council discusses the question of the proliferation of sporting associations and the possibility of joint meetings, but the desire to hold an annual NASSH meeting without other groups dominates the discussion.

May 30

The only non-North American person attending the NASSH Conference is Roland Renson of Belgium.

May 31

The Publications Board investigates the possibility of NASSH publishing a sport history text for high-school students.

July

The second Directory of Scholars is published, edited by Jack Berryman.

1980

May 26

A Finance Committee is to be created to determine the best investments for NASSH savings, over \$12,000 at this point.

1981

May 22

The NASSH Council supports a Future Directions Committee Report to make an outstanding book award in sport history as a recommendation to the Publications Board. It would be given every three years.

1982

May 22

The membership opposes two possible commercial ventures, previously opposed by the council, selling books through NASSH and book booths at the annual convention.

1983

May 27

When Tom Jable and Don Mrozek tie in the vote for president-elect, the tie is broken with a silver-dollar-coin toss in Jable's favor.

May 29

A lengthy discussion ensues in the annual business meeting over whether NASSH should hold joint meetings with other organizations emphasizing sport philosophy, sociology, anthropology, literature, and baseball researchers.

Incoming president Alan Metcalfe notes some interest in NASSH's spending money on projects such as sponsorship of a high-school sport-history book, a sport film guide, sponsoring a conference on a special topic, and a research guide on the study of sport history.

1984

May 17

The NASSH Council establishes a sport-history essay competition for graduate students.

NASSH moves to create a bibliography of sport films under the direction of Judith Davidson.

1985

May

Steve Reiss becomes *JSH* editor following Jack Berryman.

May 24

The first non-physical educator, Dick Crepeau, becomes president-elect.

The NASSH Council votes to ban smoking during conference presentations.

The council unanimously defeats a motion to give the editor of the *JSH* a stipend of \$2,000, as no other NASSH positions have a stipend.

1986

May 23

The NASSH Council, conservative in investing its savings, votes to move money from a checking account only to certificates of deposit.

The council votes to pay \$2,500 for a research assistant to help complete the sport film bibliography under the direction of Judith Davidson.

The Publication Board recommends a triennial award for the best *JSH* article.

1987

May 22

The NASSH Council votes to create a best book award biannually.

The council votes 4–3 not to have a best *JSH* article award.

May 24

The membership votes to keep only two Distinguished Lectures, Betts and Howell, and to make the Staley Lecture the Graduate Student Essay.

A re-creation of an 1850s baseball game between the NASSH Ramblers and the Ohio Muffins results in a 6–6 tie.

May 25

The council votes not to implement changing the Staley Lecture to the Graduate Student Essay until after the 1988 conference.

Clarence E. Forbes, historian of ancient Greece, is given an honorary president award.

1988

May 20

The Book Award Committee proposes a new book award for books published in English, selected by a committee of five, with a prize of \$500.

When Ron Smith raises the question of investing the reserve fund in other than certificates of deposit, the council opposes, choosing the conservative route.

The NASSH Council votes to send an “observer,” not a “representative,” to attend an interorganizational meeting of sport groups, sponsored by the National Association for Physical Education in Higher Education and the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance, September 1988, at the University of Maryland.

The council votes to approve a *JSH* article award, to be awarded every two years.

May 21

Hal Ray, the NASSH photographer for many years, gives “A Fifteen Year Retrospective,” including the showing of 153 slides from previous meetings.

May 22

The operating code of the Distinguished Lectures Committee is accepted at the annual conference, with three Distinguished Lectures remaining a feature.

1989

May 26

The NASSH Council votes to join the Exercise/Sport Network, created by the AAHPER and NASPEHE, to promote cross-disciplinary sport and physical education research.

The council again votes for a biannual *JSH* award for the best article.

The council votes to no longer hold Distinguished Lectures after the final banquet.

May 28

The membership votes at the annual business meeting that past presidents become ex-officio and nonvoting members of the NASSH Council.

1990

May 26

The NASSH Council moves to establish two awards: the NASSH Service Award (meritorious work for the society) and the NASSH Recognition Award (promoters of sport history generally).

The council establishes a Necrology Committee to publish "In Memoria" pieces in the annual Proceedings.

The council shows a concern that the lateness in publishing the *JSH* is affecting both NASSH and the journal.

May 29

A joint meeting between NASSH and the Australian Society for Sport History (ASSH) is suggested for January 1993 by Ian Jobling of Queens University in Australia.

1991

May 27

Appointing a student member to the NASSH Council is suggested at the annual business meeting.

1992

May 22

The NASSH Council cancels the *Journal of Sport History* Article Award when the committee appointed to make the choice concludes that it is "untenable."

After NASSH reaches \$50,000 in certificates of deposit, the council agrees that 50 percent of that amount be invested in higher-performing instruments. A committee of three is appointed.

The council unanimously opposes a recommendation of the Book Award Committee to offer the award every two years, rather than yearly.

Joe Arbena is chosen to be *JSH* editor.

Dick Crepeau suggests that all past presidents be specifically invited to attend each council meeting.

May 25

A business meeting straw vote indicates that NASSH members would rather meet on a campus or a combination of campus and hotel, rather than just in hotels.

1993

January 3–7

The AASH-NASSH conference is held at the Queen Kapiolani Hotel in Hawaii with Ian Jobling as the organizer.

May 28

The Sport Literature Association meets with NASSH at the Albuquerque conference.

The council has a lengthy discussion about bringing the student voice into NASSH affairs.

The council votes 6–0 not to hold its 1994 conference in Ft. Collins, Colorado, because of the state constitution's stance opposing LGB protection.

May 29

A question is raised at the annual business meeting whether NASSH should address political questions such as the Colorado constitution. The membership votes to move the Colorado site to the University of Saskatchewan.

A lengthy discussion over student representation occurs at the annual business meeting with a 2–3 vote granting representation on the NASSH Council.

1994

Revised by-laws of NASSH are published in the annual proceedings for 1994.

May 27

Following the death of Reet Howell, the NASSH Council renames the Maxwell Howell Address to the Maxwell and Reet Howell International Address.

The council votes to support *JSH* editor's request for \$3,000 yearly for payment to an assistant or course release for the editor.

The council makes past presidents members of the council without voting rights.

The Publications Board believes the delayed publication of the *JSH* for the past several years will be brought up to date, it is hoped, by 1995.

1995

May 26

Accommodations for the first annual meeting of NASSH are held off-shore, slightly, on board the Queen Mary at Long Beach, California.

An endowment of \$23,000 from Max Howell is invested in Fidelity Investments "Equity-Income II" fund. Ron Smith recommends again the investment of NASSH funds in equities rather than CDs.

The Publications Board discusses *JSH* affiliation with a major university press.

The NASSH Council creates a Technology Committee.

David Wiggins is chosen to be the *JSH* editor no later than January 1, 1997.

May 28

The annual business meeting votes to have the council consider diversification of NASSH savings held in CDs.

1996

May 23

An investment committee of three will report to the NASSH Council yearly.

The council votes to make student conference registration fees half of regular membership fees.

An anonymous donor offers \$3,000 to help cover student expenses at the NASSH conference. This later becomes the Roberta Park Fund for Graduate Students.

The council votes to create a website.

May 25

The annual business meeting is told that surplus NASSH funds have been placed in a Fidelity Investment fund, the Puritan Fund.

The Roberta J. Park Endowment Fund for Graduate Students is established by the members of the annual conference.

December 31

Total NASSH wealth grows to over \$100,000 for the first time.

1997

May 23

With the NASSH Investment Committee of Dick McGehee, Ron Smith, and John Waterson, two Fidelity Investment funds, Equity Income II and Puritan, hold excess NASSH money. The Puritan Fund becomes the Roberta Park Graduate Student Fund.

The first Park graduate student funds are distributed, \$100 to each of the five graduate students giving a paper.

The NASSH Council votes to conduct fall elections to help the spring annual conference.

The council agrees to affiliate status with the AHA, the Canadian Historical Association, and other appropriate organizations.

1998

May 22

The NASSH Council sets aside \$2,000 yearly for maintenance of the website.

The council agrees to allow the Amateur Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles (LA84) to publish back issues of the *JSH* and conference proceedings for an annual fee of \$3,000, with a time lag of four issues for the *JSH*. It would be renegotiated after ten years.

The council votes to pay expenses of two designated NASSH members to attend overseas conferences.

May 24

The first Mexican citizen to attend a NASSH meeting is Karel Wendl, who is also a citizen of the Czech Republic.

1999

May 21

The NASSH Council notes that the NASSH website is no longer part of the University of Western Ontario, but its own site—nassh.org—under leadership of Scott Martyn.

The council votes to pay the expenses of those giving the Betts and Staley addresses in addition to the Howell International address.

2000

May 26

A recommendation is made at the NASSH Council to have PowerPoint available at all future NASSH conferences.

May 30

A question is raised at the annual business meeting about the eligibility of non–North Americans to vote and hold elected offices in NASSH.

2001

May 25

The NASSH Council votes unanimously to allow non–North Americans to be eligible to vote and hold office in the society.

The council raises the question of requiring membership in NASSH to be able to present at society conferences.

The council considers major problems of publishing the *JSH* on time and the timely billing and payment of *JSH* publishing costs.

The council announces that Mel Adelman has been chosen as the next *JSH* editor.

A committee of four is chosen to consider the question of making the secretary-treasurer a paid position.

May 28

By a 51–4 vote, non–North Americans are granted full membership in NASSH.

The question of holding the annual conference over the US Memorial Day weekend is raised again.

The question of raising conference registration fees for regular members to allow lower fees for students is raised at the annual meeting.

2002

April 19

Thomson-Shore of Dexter, Michigan, agrees to print the *JSH* for about \$3,000 per issue.

May 24

The NASSH Council's general consensus is that the secretary-treasurer's position should remain an unpaid position, like other voluntary official positions at NASSH.

The council's lengthy discussion over whether the proceedings be a paper or an online publication is put off for another year.

The council discusses the possibility of publishing a NASSH sexual harrasment statement.

May 26

The Website and Technology Committees are merged into the Information Technology Committee.

Publishing the proceedings only in an electronic format is postponed. It is considered bad timing for NASSH to do away with a printed copy while the *JSH* is one year behind in publishing.

President Allen Guttmann calls for a graduate student to write the history of NASSH.

2003

May 23

Secretary-Treasurer Ron Smith reports that the lateness in publishing the *JSH* may be having a negative effect on both library and individual memberships.

May 25

A sexual harrasment statement is passed at the annual business meeting.

The annual business meeting votes to fund students from outside North America who are giving conference papers.

2004

May 28

The NASSH Council votes to provide \$3,000 to the *JSH* editor for assistant wages.

The International Society for the History of Physical Education and Sport (ISHPES) holds a joint meeting with NASSH.

A second book award, one for an edited collection, is voted down by Council.

October

Jody Davenport, one of two NASSH members to have attended each conference since 1973, dies.

2005

May 27

Student presentations at NASSH reaches an all-time high, with thirty-six receiving Roberta Park funds.

The NASSH Council has a lengthy discussion on how to get the *JSH* back on schedule.

The possibility of a university or commercial publisher, such as Routledge Publishing, taking over the *JSH* is raised at the council.

The council votes to require NASSH membership to present at conferences.

The council votes 4–2–2 for NASSH to create an edited book award and votes “no,” 2–6, for a biography book award.

Mark Dyreson begins a program of interviewing NASSH members about the history of NASSH.

May 29

Larry Gerlach suggests NASSH publish the *JSH* through a university press and save money by not hiring a managing editor.

December

Routledge Publishers of the Taylor and Frances Group in the United Kingdom proposes that it become the publisher of the *Journal of Sport History*. It comes in conflict with the NASSH contract with LA84, begun in 1999 to produce electronic copies of the *JSH* and conference proceedings.

December 31

NASSH savings are greater than \$200,000.

2006

May 19

It is noted that Tom Jable, the interim editor of the *JSH*, is trying to make a smooth transition between editor Mel Adelman and new editor Wray Vamplew.

Tara Magdalinski leads a discussion at the NASSH Council for an external publisher of the *JSH*, including Human Kinetics, Sage, Taylor & Francis (Routledge), and the University of Illinois. A Publications Board paper on “Viability of a Commercial Publisher for NASSH Publications” is distributed to the council. The Publications Board recommends Routledge for publishing both the *JSH* and conference proceedings.

The council votes 5–4 not to make Routledge the publisher and asks that other publishers be given the opportunity to make proposals.

The council votes to pursue an external publisher for the *JSH* and proceedings.

2007

April 26

NASSH makes a licensing agreement with Project MUSE of the Johns Hopkins University Press (JHUP) for providing *JSH* e-journals to subscribers for a share of JHUP royalties accruing from the project.

Fall 2021

May 25

The NASSH Council votes to grant \$6,000 for editorial assistantship expenses to Wray Vamplew.

The council agrees to publish the proceedings in both paper and online formats.

LA84's request to have its contract with NASSH extended to 2013 with a stipend paid to NASSH of \$4,000 yearly is passed by the Council.

MUSE of the JHUP proposes putting the *JSH* online.

An ad-hoc committee to review the Routledge contract proposal is formed, with numerous questions to be debated.

A "best article of the year" in the *JSH* report is returned to the Publications Board for further development.

The annual meeting is informed of major differences between Routledge's original proposal for publishing the *JSH* and the April 2007 contract.

2008

NASSH extends its agreement with the LA84 Foundation to publish back issues of the *JSH* and NASSH proceedings in digital format for a yearly fee of \$4,000.

May 23

The NASSH Council notes progress is being made in publishing the *JSH* on time.

The ad-hoc committee on Routledge contract negotiations reports to the council that, in a 3–2 vote, there is "no real interest in continuing negotiation with Routledge." The council votes unanimously to drop negotiations with both Routledge and Human Kinetics.

The council votes to continue negotiations with Project MUSE for an electronic *JSH*.

December 31

The financial crisis in the United States drops NASSH savings from about \$244,000 to \$157,000.

2009

May 22

The NASSH Council recommends further negotiations with Project MUSE, EBSCO Host, and ProQuest for pursuing an e-journal full-text *JSH*.

The council votes to establish a separate website for the *JSH* to give greater visibility.

The council moves to increase payment to Stirling University to \$8,000 per year for use by Wray Vamplew as *JSH* editor.

Jerry Gems offers to help create a history of NASSH.

May 24

A credit-card system for payment of NASSH fees is in operation.

Alison Wrynn is the new associate editor of *JSH*, a three-year term. She is the first woman appointed to this position.

2010

May 26

The NASSH Council agrees to keep paying more for recipients of Park Graduate Awards than is generated from the Park Fund.

The council votes to place the operating codes on the NASSH website.

A concern about the website, now ten years old, is that it is not user friendly.

The first *JSH* issue placed electronically on Project Muse (contract signed in 2009) is scheduled for June 2010.

The NASSH history begun by Jody Davenport and continued by Jerry Gems ends with her death.

May 30

It is announced that the *JSH* spring 2010 issue will be published on time, the first time in over a decade.

2011

May 27

The NASSH Council votes to go to an electronic form for future elections.

The future of the secretary-treasurer position, outlined by an ad-hoc committee of six, is discussed by the council, particularly focused on separating the two positions.

2012

June 1

It is reported that revenues from the Project MUSE electronic journal are greater than the income lost due to a drop in institutional membership.

The NASSH Council votes that an individual must be a NASSH member to present a paper at a NASSH conference.

June 3

It is announced that Alison Wrynn is the new editor of the *JSH*.

The separation of the secretary-treasurer into two positions becomes official.

2013

May 24

A committee is chosen to recommend NASSH members to be the new secretary and new treasurer, with Ron Smith being appointed both secretary and treasurer until the new appointments are made.

May 25

The NASSH Council reports to the business meeting that the consensus was that individuals should not be paid for such positions as journal editor, webmaster, secretary, and treasurer.

Fall 2021

May 26

Bob Barney presents a paper, "Pre-Historic Evolution of Our Society," at the forty-first annual conference, Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

October 1

Guy M. Lewis, the driving force in founding NASSH, dies in Columbia, South Carolina.

December 31

Savings in NASSH holdings are over \$300,000.

2014

May 30

It is announced that the estate of Joseph L. Arbena gave \$3,000 to NASSH.

A committee is appointed to form guidelines for the Joseph Arbena Research Fund. NASSH will contribute \$17,000 to the fund.

The committee for recommending the new secretary and treasurer positions reports that it has considered eight names and has chosen two to recommend to the NASSH Council: Jaime Schultz for secretary (Penn State) and Thomas Hunt for treasurer (Texas).

The council votes not to pay direct financial compensation to the *JSH* editor.

The Publications Board reports that four publishers have been considered for an external publisher for the *JSH*: California, Illinois, Nebraska, and Routledge, with the University of Illinois Press recommended. Council agrees. Negotiations will follow.

The question of a professional convention planner is discussed by the council.

June 1

The Publications Board reports that Murray Phillips is the new *JSH* editor.

October 1

The University of Illinois Press (UIP) and NASSH agree on UIP publishing the *JSH*.

2015

May 22

The Publications Board and *JSH* editor are concerned about the lack of *JSH* citation rates.

The NASSH Council votes to cover the *JSH* editor's extraordinary convention expenses.

The council votes to offer a graduate diversity scholarship relative to race and ethnicity by waiving the conference registration fee.

Another *JSH* article of the year award is passed by the council.

A *JSH* retrospective article of the year award is passed by council.

The council votes to provide up to \$2,000 for the Georgia Tech two-day seminar in 2018, which will result in a special issue of the *JSH*.

May 23

A new standing Legacy Committee is approved.

A NASSH Diversity Scholarship Award is created.

The Joe Arbena Latin American Sport History Grant is created with scholarships up to \$1,000 for researchers of Latin American sport history.

A NASSH Dissertation Travel Grant is approved of up to \$3,000, possibly split between individuals.

A lengthy discussion during the business meeting about NASSH's taking a public position on the name and logo of the Washington football team reaches no resolution.

2016

May 26

The NASSH Council votes to provide \$5,000 for the 2017 pre-conference.

The first winner of the Diversity Scholarship is Emmanuel Macedo of California State University, Fullerton.

The first winner of the Joe Arbena Latin American Sport History Grant is Michael Wood of the University of Alabama.

The winners of the NASSH Dissertation Travel Grant is divided three ways: Johanna Mellis, University of Florida; Adam Berg, Penn State; and Dain TePoel, University of Iowa.

May 28

The annual conference votes to form an ad-hoc committee to draft language condemning racialized naming of teams and mascots.

2017

May 26

The NASSH Council votes to provide \$5,000 for a 2018 pre-conference workshop.

The council discusses a suggestion for estate planning with NASSH being a recipient.

May 27

It is announced that Maureen Smith will assume the role of *JSH* editor.

The business meeting passes a resolution to oppose racialized use of sports teams and mascots, with two opposed and four abstentions.

December 31

NASSH funds in Fidelity Investments are over \$400,000.

2018

May 25

NASSH livestreams the Distinguished Lectures and a plenary session.

An ad-hoc committee of five is charged with examining NASSH's ethical procedures.

The NASSH Council notes two individuals were awarded Diversity Awards.

The council charges the IT Committee with developing a Directory of Scholars.

May 26

Kim Scott, formerly with Human Kinetics Publishers, is chosen to become the first NASSH professional manager, a two-year agreement.

Fall 2021

November 29

It is announced that Murray Phillips has been elected NASSH president and thus becomes the first non-North American to hold the position.

2019

May 27

The NASSH Service Award is renamed the Sue and Ron Smith Service Award for service within NASSH.

October 3

NASSH members are informed that the University of Iowa site for the 2019 conference has been canceled because of an Iowa law discriminating against LGBTQ people. The unanimous vote of the NASSH Council agrees with the California action to prevent taxpayer-funded travel to Iowa. This is the second NASSH action to change sites due to discriminatory action by states, the first since the Colorado action in 1993.

2020

March 21

The May NASSH meeting in Chicago is canceled because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

December 31

NASSH funds in Fidelity Investments reach \$500,000.

2021

May 24

Membership approves remuneration for the *JSH* editorial staff, as well as remuneration for the digital technology coordinator.

May 28–31

The first virtual NASSH conference is held, including presentations from the canceled 2020 conference.

December 31

NASSH funds in Fidelity Investment reach \$600,000.

2022

Spring

A special NASSH historical issue of the *JSH* is scheduled to be published.