

## Membership meeting minutes      October 7 , 2015

The meeting was called to order at by Sis. V. Wilt at 7:33pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

*Approval of minutes:* Bro. G. Lacina motioned to approve the minutes for the September membership meeting, and Bro. Bazata seconded the motion and motion carried.

Correspondence: St. Barbara sent a promo card for their casino nights on Nov 6 & 7. Sokol members can receive a discount to the Lyric Opera's production of the Marriage of Figaro, as there is a predominant Czech opera singer performing in it. Sokol Spirit received a \$25 donation from Agnes Proska celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Robert Jilek. The ASO sent a notice to units and members regarding basket donations for a raffle they will be hosting at the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary banquet. Sis. Shrofe made a motion that Sokol Spirit donate a basket valued at least \$50 called "Spirit's Spirits" to the 150<sup>th</sup> basket raffle. Sis. Barcal 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the motion was carried. The exec board and BOI will work together to create this basket.

### Educational Director updates:

The movie and Czech language classes are going very well. Although we had only one participant for beginners, we were able to give him (new student that came from our flyers at Bohemian National Cemetery) four lessons and offer for him to "audit" the intermediate classes.

While we had to postpone the 1st Cultural class offering to the following Tuesday because Pavlina was ill, we realized that the 3rd Tuesday is better as the "miners meeting" takes up all the parking spaces even in off months. Everyone agreed who attended that the 3rd Tuesday was OK. All handouts were changed to reflect the new dates and Mark notified.

The CPR letters to the community were mailed and although we have had email about some registrants, we have not received the check. We do have 7 confirmed students from our own instructor's however.

### Bills: Bills from recent events were presented

- Over \$60. It is for stamps for Czech class postcards about classes; postage for mail out of the grant application to the Czech consulate; supplies to repost the maps in the Czech classroom; and postage for the CPR community letter. (MB Tooke)
- \$9 postage for Falcon Key Club (D. Becker)
- \$223.49 for the June and Sept newsletters (Kathe H.)
- \$68 for registration supplies (BOI)
- \$44 for repairs to the rings (BOI)

Sis. Barcal made a motion to pay all of the bills, including September's bills. Bro. Bazata seconded that motion and the motion carried.

Junior board: Finances: Checking=\$5,038.20; Savings=\$2,318.80. The Juniors sold popcorn at Oktoberfest and reported that they made \$91. They will be hosting their Halloween party on Oct 29, and will be hosting a babysitting offering at the October quiz night. The summer carwash made \$300. The rake-a-thon will occur on Nov 21 and this might coincide with Trim-a-tree. The Jr's will be in attendance on Saturday to help clean up the rummage sale 12-2pm. Finally the Jr's requested \$75 from the BOI in order to help pay for some new Halloween decorations for the haunted house they will create for the younger members.

### BOI:

Lower turnout that hoped for at registration-the BOI will go back to the drawing board to work on making this worthwhile. Class sizes as of two weeks prior to this meeting: Tots: 9; 1<sup>st</sup> class girls: 16; 1<sup>st</sup> class boys: 7; 2<sup>nd</sup> class girls: 11; 2<sup>nd</sup> class boys: 6; Junior girls: 9; Junior boys: 4; Women: 20; Men: 17; Sr. Co-ed: 23. Wheels has 3 intermediate level and 7 beginners. Spin class has 3 on Thursdays 6 on Saturdays. Participated in Track&Field last weekend, and will be attending the CPR class on Oct 17 at 9am. 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend: Spirit will have an intermediate wheel performance submitted for opening event, 3 women's volleyball teams, 2 men's . At the BOI meeting there was a recommendation for the BOI to pay the cost of all team entry fees for this weekend, which total \$735. Bro. Lebloch made a motion for the BOI to cover these fees, Sis. Babka seconded that motion and the motion carried. There is an upcoming wheel weekend in which Emily Temmer can become certified to teach the course. The BOI is recommending to pay for ½ of her cert fee at level 2, which is \$150. Bro Maskill makes a motion to cover the cost of half the fee, Bro Lacina seconds the motion. Member discussion on whether she will be coaching at our unit, and it was mentioned she already does commit to this. Motion carries. George Washington MS is NOT available for the date that we chose for our

exhibition. So the BOI is looking for a new venue, interested in keeping the same date of March 5, 2016. Any suggestions from membership are WELCOME.

Sidenote from the BOI report regarding the World Beer Club. Bro Maskill reported that the club has made \$1032 in the past year, and he is turning over \$700 to the gym as a donation. With this money they are looking to purchase some pub tables as mentioned in the September meeting.

BMC: Currently getting quotes to paint the inside of the gym. Nicor patched up some of the damage done from this summer's construction. The village sent an independent testing company to test our water flow. We are getting undercharged in some areas and overcharged in others-there fore, we don't expect much of a change in water costs.

PR/Marketing Director report:

The next newsletter deadline is October 20! Wreath Sale flyers are ready and are being handed out. The orders are due Nov 7, and the pick-up will be Saturday Nov 28<sup>th</sup>, 12-2pm. DUE by OCT 16-any last orders for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary merchandise.

Other executive board reports: **President's conference report:** Discussed Sokol Day extensively and the possible changes to it. One unit is questioning whether participants in classes/activities must be members. The members at the conference decided that this would be up to the organizers of events. One nomination was named for the President's Award from Sokol USA. The conference members decided not to award this to anyone outside ASO, but can and could give a special recognition award.

CD annual Meeting: will be held at Sokol Spirit, but Sokol Stickney will handle the meals. Currently, Sokol Spirit needs to fill 5 delegate spots and some board members who have district positions as well. All volunteers were accounted for. The annual meeting packet usually goes out electronically but Sis. V. Wilt is willing to print out some for our unit, per request.

**Treasurer's Report:**

8/1/15-8/31/15

- General Operating Account-Standard Bank
  - Beginning balance: \$4,116.63
  - Income: \$10,235.96
  - Expense: \$1,788.62
  - Ending balance: \$12,563.97
  - Monthly loss/gain: \$8,447.34
- BMC Holding Account-Standard Bank
  - Beginning balance: \$2,99.73
  - Income: \$
  - Expense: \$
  - Ending balance: \$2,299.73
  - Monthly loss/gain:
- Memorial Fund-Fifth Third Bank
  - Beginning balance: \$7,156.15
  - Income:
  - Expense: --
  - Ending balance: \$7,156.15
  - Monthly loss/gain:

9/1/15-9/30/15

- General Operating Account-Standard Bank
  - Beginning balance: \$12,563.97
  - Income: \$25,203.30
  - Expense: \$11,024.67
  - Ending balance: \$26,742.60
  - Monthly loss/gain: \$14,178.63
- BMC Holding Account-Standard Bank
  - Beginning balance: \$2,299.73
  - Income: \$

- Expense: \$
- Ending balance: \$2,299.73
- Monthly loss/gain:
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Bro. Bazata makes a motion to pay all of the October bills presented this month. Sis. Barcal seconds that motion and the motion carried.

**Membership Director** Spirit has 2 new members. The Falcon Key Club is still open, July-December. The club has earned \$2100 so far. The unit is currently sitting at about 270 members. There will be some upcoming bills that we must pay. At the end of October we will owe \$336 to the Central District and \$900 will be due Nov 1 for the youth membership dues.

Delegate announcements:

Central District—Still needs a properties chair and a secretary. Another unit is “opting” out of performing calisthenics, (Sokol Chicagoland’s childrens class), which is causing some issues amongst the delegates. There is still conversations regarding partnering with Special Olympics.

Bohemian National Cemetery—Fall Fest gala didn’t have a great turnout. There was a dedication of the Eastland memorial and a picnic followed.

Czech American Congress—picnic wasn’t as well attended as last year’s. Update on the Czechs in Chicago movie: now in post-production but the group needs more funding.

Tabor Hills—expanding, adding a Medicare wing addition with 19 additional beds.

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary committee--- the deadline to purchase tickets has passed. Each event is very close to capacity! There are about 250 seats sold for Friday with ~100 participants. ~250 RSVP’d for the anniversary party, the bowling maxed out at 50 people and there are 7 men and 7 women volleyball teams registered. There are 144 RSVP’s for the gala.

Beer Fest 2016---There is discussion of a new venue and possibly keeping the same weekend in January but nothing has been finalized for this event at all. The ticket price will probably go up.

New Business:

- Rummage sale Oct 9 and 10: needs help organizing Oct 9
- Spaghetti dinner: Nov 7 4-7pm
- Vendor fair: Nov 21, 9am-3pm
- Wreath orders due: Nov 7

Unfinished Business:

- Oktoberfest: we have one more outstanding bill to pay, but even with this bill it looks like Oktoberfest made a profit of ~\$1200!

For the Good of the Order:

Next meeting is Wednesday November 4. Carol will bring refreshments, and we need help setting up the rummage sale tonight!

There is a wheel show Sunday Oct 11 near the White facility on the northside of Chicago. 1631 N Jonquil. There will be 14 acts and admission is \$10, 3:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cassie Croft-Secretary