



## Sokol Spirit Membership Meeting Minutes – February 1, 2023

**Meeting called to order** by Sis. Kathy Barcal, President, at 7:37pm

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of January 2023 Minutes** – Bro. Howie Maskill motioned, Sis. Dorothy Becker seconded, motion passes.

**Correspondence:** A Celebration of Life for Bro. George Lacina is scheduled for Sat, March 11. More info will be in the March SpiritNews.

**Approval of Bills (Excluding bills included in later reports):** Presented by Sis. Kathe Heetel for reimbursement for Memorial Fund stamps \$59.75. Sis. Dorothy Becker motioned, Sis Vera Wilt seconded, motion passes. Also, from January 2023 meeting, there is no need to reimburse Sis. Alix Fron for membership fees. She did not pay dues.

**Treasurer's Report:** Submitted by Sis. Jenn Baran (absent).

### General operating account:

Beginning balance	\$19,226.33
Ending balance	\$16,011.76
Difference	(\$3,214.57)

### Memorial Fund:

Beginning balance	\$15,526.64
Ending balance	\$16,828.64
Difference	\$1,300.00

**Building Management Director Report:** Bro. Mark Shrofe (absent). Sis. Kathy Barcal presented the report. BMC has a "To Do List" that we are working on for the building.

Work that has been done: The bench outside the gym has been fixed. A new light switch has been put on the wall on the stage next to the equipment room. The committee decided to leave the railing off outside. Our address has been added to the back door of the building. Front door closer cover has been done. Working on: Reviewing roof estimates and hatch installation. Reviewing how to proceed with the lower hall and water. Reviewing ways to save money on our heating bill. Lights in gym need replacing. We have received inquiries about rentals from non-members. We signed one for August 2023. The gym floor will be redone this summer. Bro. Adam Wilt suggested that when the floor is redone in June that they redo the floors to include lines for pickleball. Also, the floor will need to be buffed by the bars.

**Board of Instructors Director's Report** – Sis. Alix Fron presented.

### Spring session Enrollments:

Tots – 28 (full)

Monday Girls - 20

Thursday Girls - 24

Boys - 9

Wheels – 15 (need to offer 2 sessions)

Juniors – 7 (4 new gymnasts since Fall)

Men - 8

Women - 13

Senior Co-Ed - 10

Monday Spin - 2  
Saturday Spin - 4  
Pickleball - 4 with 4-6 drop-ins

Shirts: need to order about 13 that we don't already have in our inventory for new participants.  
Competition: March 18, 2023 at Lodge 306. Gymnasts will compete in events that were not offered in the Fall competition, so girls will compete bars and beam, and boys will compete in four events (rings, parallel bars, high bar and horse). Volunteers needed.

Event: Sokol Spirit Fun Fair tentatively set for April 22. Rather than an exhibition or show, the BOI is planning an event with carnival games in the gym and lower hall, offering snacks and drinks, inviting kids and families as a family outreach event to bring participants and their families into Sokol in a new way. It will focus on the social and community aspects of Sokol providing a fun low stress/low stakes activity for our kids to participate in. There will be games upstairs and downstairs like relays, inflatables, carnival type games, photo booth, magician? Face painting? Food/social during and after. Fee to enter, participants free. Parents who volunteer get in for free. Can include performances if classes want to participate. BOI will man stations and coordinate. More info to come.

Instructors: We are always looking for instructors.

Instructor School 2023: Sokol Greater Cleveland will host this year at the end of June for one week only. Early bird rate is \$400 (by June 1), max is \$450, but students must pay for transportation. Spirit and District financial contributions and possible reimbursement was discussed. Sis. Alix Fron has identified 2 juniors and 2 others who would be great candidates to attend Instructor School. Sis. Barcal also reminded the members that adults can benefit from the Instructor School as well.

Discussed the fact that exhibitions as we know them may be a thing of the past. Cals are not being taught in classes, and kids don't seem to like learning cals. Talked about teaching all-class special numbers or cals, having specific class numbers which will empower older kids to help younger/newer ones learn them. Also, maybe offering an adult cal class in Fall 2023 to prep for Slet in Czech in 2024 (open to other units, too), maybe to be performed at 2023 Winter Show.

Bro. John Bazata motioned, Sis. Vera Wilt seconded, motion passed.

### **Executive Board Reports & Upcoming Events**

Trivia Night: February 25. Bro. Adam Wilt. Doors open at 7pm, starts at 7:30. \$10/person. BYOB and snacks. Answers will be for sale so bring extra money. Square and Paypal accepted.

PR/Marketing: Maybe we can purchase water bottles since we have a new bottle filler machine. Pancake breakfast was advertised in the last 3 Landmarks, once on the front page, and WBC was advertised, too.

Falcon Key Club: no report

WBC: Sis. Cassie Croft: Next WBC February 17.

Bylaws: Bro. Adam Wilt: 2 Lies and 1 Truth: Truth: Quorum is 10 members for Annual Meeting.

Membership: Bro. Howie Maskill needs to order pins and work on Spirit Bucks before the next newsletter is published. Possible bowling event as a community event is being considered – he will determine date, location and more information.

Financial Secretary: Sis. Dorothy Becker. Dues coming in well. 2<sup>nd</sup> notices going out next. About 37 member paid their dues online.

Superbowl squares: Bro. Howie Maskill says less than half still remain for sale.

Newsletter: Sis. Kathy Barcal will contact Sis. Linda Baran so it will go out in early March.

### **Other Reports/Updates**

Chamber of Commerce event at Spirit was held Thursday, January 12 -5:30-7:30. Sis. Barcal reported that attendance was good and participants seemed to enjoy seeing the building and taking part in the event.

Pancake breakfast was held the morning of January 29. Despite snow overnight, the turnout was pretty good. Made over \$1,900 so far. Some items need to be returned which will add to the profit. Over 100 adults attended, number of kids not known. Flapjack Tournament followed the breakfast. There were 15 participants, 3 teams of 5. Bro. Maskill and his team won.

### **Delegate Announcements**

Central District: Curling event on Sat, February 4. Benefit day at Chipotle: 3/1 in Countryside. Benefit day at Portillo's: April 1. Cdsokol.com lists all Central District events.

Bohemian National Cemetery: Anton Cermak's anniversary of his death event scheduled for May.

Tabor Hills: none

Czech American Congress: Will be discussing viability of this organization in the future.

Moravian Cultural Society: none

Brookfield Chamber of Commerce: none

### **New Business**

Amazon Smile discontinuing partnership as of February 20, 2023.

Bro. Howie Maskill: Should we offer our hall to Sokol United for an event as a goodwill gesture? Some sort of partnership? Sokol United no longer has a gym of their own so it's difficult for them to hold fundraisers. All members present at the unit meeting agreed to this idea. Sis. Barcal will speak with their president.



### **Unfinished Business -**

#### **News around the unit –**

#### **For the good of the order**

Next Meeting – March 1, 2023

- Monthly meeting social begins at 7 p.m.
- Meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

#### **Adjournment by Sis. Kathy Barcal at 9:09pm**

Respectfully submitted by Sis. Kathe Heetel – Secretary