Membership meeting minutes September 2, 2015

The meeting was called to order at by Sis. V. Wilt at 7:36pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was held for members who passed away over the summer break.

Approval of minutes: Sis. L. Wilt motioned to approve the minutes for the June membership meeting, and Sis. Bazata seconded the motion and motion carried. Sis. Babka motioned to approve the annual meeting minutes, Bro. Lacina seconds that motion and the motion was carried.

<u>Correspondence</u>: C&S American Genealogy Society of Illinois is holding their 20th anniversary banquet and are looking for donations for their ad book. This item was tabled to look at again at a later date closer to when this is due. 1st Czechoslovak Garden club is celebrating its 80th anniversary and asked for donations to their ad book. Sis. Babka motions to donate a ½ page ad to their program book. Sis. Bazata seconds the motion and the motioned carried. The 150th Anniversary packets have been created, and everyone must pre-register for the events that they plan to attend as there will not be tickets sold at the door. Sokol Spirit received a thank you letter from the students we adopted at Instructor's school.

Educational Director updates: All events and classes in full swing the first week of September.

Bills: Bills from recent events were presented

- \$27.56 for cleaning supplies and toilet tissue during instructor's course (K. Barcal)
- \$110 needs to be paid to the SPIN instructor from Spring (K. Barcal)

<u>Junior board</u>: last meeting was held 8/5. Finances: Checking=\$4,989.20; Savings=\$2318.37. The group held their fly-up party/meeting at the Shedd Aquarium and the beach in Chicago. The car wash report is coming soon. The Jr's plan on selling popcorn again at Oktoberfest. They are requesting to hold their Halloween party on Oct 29. They are still discussing the possibility of hosting a babysitting night during quiz night in October. The new officers are: Isabella Female director, Michael Male director, Lily Secretary and Alex Treasurer.

BOI: Bills:

• \$311 for youth competition leotards

Summer activities included: parades, farmer's market, adult summer Sokol (which made ~\$780!) wheels class which had 4 participants. March 5 is the new date for the exhibition-it is much earlier this year. The BOI is looking for volunteers to help at registration night, and the gym clean-up is Sept 10. CPR certification class is open to all and will be held on October 17 at 9am. The BOI has elected to submit an advanced wheel special number for the 150th Anniversary opening ceremony event. The unit needs to reimburse the students who attended instructor's school, if they assisted in classes after their completion of course. The amount to be reimbursed is always 25% of the cost to attend. Therefore, Rachel Lemont is owed \$81.25. Sis. Babka moves to reimburse Rachel, and Bro. Pajer seconds the motion, and the motion is carried. Bro. Bazata makes the motion to disburse half of cost from Central District to the 2 school students from 2014 and the 4 from the 2015 school. The motion is seconded by Sis. Barcal and the motion is carried.

BMC: The gas meter is being placed at the back of the building. The plumbing was cleared out, and the BMC is currently looking for a quote for snow plowing. An issue has arisen with the liquor license. The documentation is not consistent between the state, Brookfield and the business authorization...the names of our organization are all different. **Unit discussion:** The unit suggested calling an attorney to assist with this issue. A unit member also inquired whether there was a claims process for possibly getting Nicor to handle redoing our parking lot since they performed major construction throughout the summer in our area. There was an inquiry regarding investing into some high-top bar tables for the lower hall. These tables could be purchased for about \$40 each. Bro. Wilt **moves** to grant the executive board the authorization to hire legal counsel to fix our name on the liquor license. Bro. Lacina seconds the motion. Motion carries. The Central District has also inquired about Sokol Spirit hosting the Annual meeting on November 8-the building is open this day.

PR/Marketing Director report:

The next newsletter deadline is October 20! The Brookfield Farmer's market is hosting a "civic" day on Sept 26. Sokol Spirit will participate in this event.

Other executive board reports: **President:** Every year Sokol Spirit nominates a male and a female member for the President's Award in Central District, presented at the annual meeting. After a vote, the two nominated members were selected (Kandi Pajer and Howie Maskill). Sis. V. Wilt has volunteered to assist in writing Kandi's nomination, and Bro. Wilt volunteered to write Howie Maskill's.

Delegate announcements:

Central District—met in August, discussed getting involved more with the American Turners; the merit award will be \$750, and the President's meeting is Sept 26. Sokol Stickney has requested to allow students/people to participate in

classes without becoming members. The CD might have a possible interaction in the future with Special Olympics through Nicole Marchluk, the Membership director.

Bohemian National Cemetery—made the news with their scary movie screening at the cemetery! Czech American Congress—report on the success of the annual picnic is forthcoming Tabor Hills—wants more delegates!

New Business:

- Rummage sale Oct 9 and 10: sign up for volunteers is going around the room, please take posters to post around
 the community and at other organizations you belong to; there will be consignment again and the set up will
 take place after the October membership meeting
- Spaghetti dinner: Nov 7
- Vendor fair: the women's class is hosting a vendor fair on Saturday Nov 21 from 9am-3pm. They have 7 vendors so far. The women's class will be making fleece blankets for sale and will have some food and drink available
- Falcon Key Club: raised \$2075 so far! Will be collecting all year

Unfinished Business:

- Oktoberfest: it was suggested to create signs to put in the ground the morning of the event, stating that the event is open to the public. It was also suggested to hang the sign up when the tents arrive.
- Beerfest: the meeting for this year's event is tent. Scheduled for Sept 28. \$481 was made for each sponsor level group. **Unit discussion:** should we participate again? Selling tickets became difficult because members were double-dipping with other clubs they are involved in. Also-membership didn't reach out to non-members.

For the Good of the Order:

Emily did very well in Italy considering how tough her competition was in the wheel category she was in. The instructors had an interesting time!

Next meeting is Wednesday October 7. Class registration is Sept 11 and Oktoberfest is Sept 12! The meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm.

Respectfully submitted, Cassie Croft-Secretary