SOKOL SPIRIT Unit Meeting February 6, 2019

President Bro. Maskill called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

MINUTES: Sis. V. Wilt moved to approve the January meeting minutes, second by Sis. Sanders. Motion passed.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE: Stickney</u> – Pancake – Bro. Wilt moved to purchase tickets at cost of \$35. Sis. Barcal second. Motion passed. Check received from CSA Fraternal Life for \$125.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS: \$50 to Bro. Maskill for stamps for thank you letters. Bro. Barcal submitted bills \$115.53 for pancake breakfast bills. Sis. Kostecki – Landmark Community Guide - \$220. Will be published at the end of this month. Bro. Shrofe - approx. \$1500 for plowing, salting, etc. Receipts for the finishing of the work downstairs approx. \$2,000. Computer purchased for newsletter editor - \$347.47 – under what was originally approved. Bro. Bazata made a motion to pay the bills. Second by Sis. A. Maskill. Motion passed.

BOI REPORT: Bro. Maskill reported: new sound system \$265.62. Outstanding payments – families still owe for class. Sis. Braun will generate invoices for these families. Total due is about \$1500. Classes working on cals and special numbers. Senior II – Fran from Chiropractic will be coming to their class. They will have a table at the NR Senior Fair. Fee \$45, please give to Sis. Pajeau. Youth membership – no direction yet what to do with new members. Sis. Becker has currently received directions from National. Four registered for ballet class, possible 5. Feb. GIJO meet cancelled due to lack of teams entered. Our GIJO will be entered into another GIJO competition. Spirit of the Seasons is the theme for exhibition. We will rent a U-Haul truck to transport things. ¼ page ad free for instructors for ad book. Invite MCS to perform Folk Dance. Sis. Novak will reach out to them. Jenny and Alex are looking into spring floor options. Rough quote - \$3,000. Purchasing a portable media cart for sound system, TV, etc.

Jr. Board Report by Jake Heetel. 1/17/19 meeting. Candy sales at beer club and pancake breakfast. Can fundraiser run by Dean, Cole and Jake has raised \$15.30 last two months. Will continue through the end of the year. Popcorn sales at beer club next month. Buona Beef fundraiser soon. World's Finest chocolate in March, exhibition candy sales. Embroidery sales \$250 start up and income of \$100. Order forms for embroidery sales. 2019 Slet – Dean, Lilly, Cole and Jake and possibly Josie will be attending. Basket raffle will be brought up at their February meeting. Motion made by Sis. A. Maskill and second by Sis. C. Croft to approve both reports. Motion passed.

<u>BMC</u>: Bro. Shrofe reported: We are now renting to non-members rentals so money is coming in to Spirit. CCACC rented from us and they want to rent again. Two rentals are coming up soon. Almost complete with the basement. Exhaust fan broke – needs to be fixed. Look into purchasing security cameras near front door. Exhibition after party is being worked on now. Mario will DJ and bouncy house will be upstairs. We want to keep the lower hall cleaned for member and non-member rentals. Motion by Sis. V. Wilt to approve the BMC report. Second by Sis. A. Maskill. **Motion passed**.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sis. J. Braun reported: Checking account balance as of 1/1/19 was \$14,692.52 and the ending balance as of 1/31 was \$21,451.75. Safety account balance is \$30,821.67. Memorial account balance is \$8,108.71. A motion was made by Bro. Bazata to approve the Treasurer's report, second by Bro. Shrofe. Motion passed. 4th Quarter report was received from Sis. Becker but needs

payment needs to be submitted to CD. Funds received from the grant and for the basement should be transferred into the safety account.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Dues are coming in! Sis. Becker excused. Still about 50 outstanding. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Bro. Wilt reported: Membership brunch on 2/24. RSVPs are coming in and please send yours in now. Starts at 11 a.m. Researching pricing and finalizing the menu. Quiche, fruit, French toast, croissant sandwiches, punch and beverages. Membership committee will be contacted to review. Deadline to RSVP is 2/12. Member appreciation day was to be held but did not happen due to the weather. The appreciation nights will be presented at membership brunch. Dates are: 3/18 and 3/19. Ideas: St. Patrick's Day.

<u>BYLAWS</u> – Bro. Wilt reported the Bylaw of the month: Homework edition: next month prize for whoever can tell Adam what the last word on page 4 of the Bylaws. On Sokol Spirit's web page. <u>EDUCATION</u>: Sis. V. Wilt: Movie night on Feb. 15th.

PR/MARKETING: Sis. Kostecki reported: Brookfield Library doing an organization fair on Sunday, March 10th. Sis. Kostecki followed up with the library about specific information. Trivia night to be advertised. Landmark Community guide to be published at the end of this month.

NEWSLETTER: Sis. Heetel is excused. The deadline to submit items for the newsletter is March 8th. Can we incorporate other units' events in our newsletter? Maybe on the last page?

NEW BUSINESS: Falcon Key Club mailing will go out soon. Waiting on labels from Sis. Becker. Should we look at changing the date of the mailing so not to overwhelm members with other mailings? Is there a way to keep or maintain the membership mailing labels on sight? Can we have it on a drive that can be shared? Grant Opportunities: American Sokol grants are available. The due date is April 1st. Ideas for grants: spring floor from the endowment foundation. Certification for coaches for background checks and AAU membership, Safesport. Unit growth for PR/Marketing. Show presence in the community. Example: BOI has gone to various schools in the area to promote our program. Ballet <u>class</u> – not requiring parents to become members. Wheels – program has grown and how about purchasing our own. Also option to purchase wheels through a clinic that is going to be held. Maybe pay for the instructor's salary. CD – Landmark ad of \$220. Building Improvements – security cameras and installation and assistance with the recognition wall for donors. Resealing the parking lot. Remodel of the apartment to make it a user friendly room for our unit. Right now the apartment is vacant and is need of repair and updating. Motion mad by Bro. Bazata to go ahead with three grants: Gateway, Endowment and (2) Unit Growth grants. Second by Sis. A. Maskill. Motion passed. Instructor School update: \$5,000 rental is what we submitted. National BOI asked if CD would subsidize and the CD said NO! ASO can give money to the Instructor School. School Board approved the \$5,000 for Spirit. The first dates requested cannot be accommodating as we have a member rental. So the dates would be July 7 -21st. A deposit is required for the school. Bro. Maskill will communicate date changes to Sis. Cushing.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: Pancake breakfast details next month. Mrs. Butterworth team won the Flapjack. Members of the team: Sis. Alix Wilt, Sis. Kathy Barcal, Bro. Howie Maskill, Bro. Ken Nagel, Bro. Michael Ryan, Bro. Ken Fron and Bro. Larry Svestka.

Lower Hall Renovation Donations: Bro. Maskill reported that to date we have received \$38,395 in personal and company donations. \$3,000 ASO grant, Bowling Party: \$396, \$1,325 at Beach party Total \$43,116. Bro. Wilt asked if we should send out a last letter to see if anyone wants to donate still. Recognition Wall is the next project. The area that is up for discussion is the vacant area in the lower hall along the wall next to the windows. This area has a light above it. Other ideas: lower foyer area

where the bench currently sits-maybe use that wall. The hallway or wall would need lights. What about the main foyer in front of the gym? We could use the display case that is already there. 36 will be recognized on the wall. Those that donated \$500 +.

<u>DELEGATES</u>: CD: Sokol Day maybe at Cermak Woods. Proposal for a loan for new programs to expand membership. Sokol United is going to start gymnastic classes at the Summit Park District. Need funds for mats and some equipment. CAC: Sis. V. Wilt reported they will be meeting tomorrow. Picnic will be at the Summit Park District.

Budget and Finance Committee: Members of this committee, please stick around after the meeting.

Next unit meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2019. Social at 7:00 with the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Kathy Barcal Secretary