

**SOKOL SPIRIT**  
**Unit Meeting**  
**March 6, 2019**

President Bro. Maskill called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Bro. Bazata to approve the February meeting minutes. Second by Sis. Sanders. Motion passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A letter was received from St. Barb's Food Pantry – thank you for our donations. We received a mailing from Sokol USA regarding Sokolfest in NY. Any interest in donations for sponsorships or placing an ad in the ad book?

**PRESENTATION OF BILLS:** Sis. Heetel turned in ad book money and \$20 from beer club. Sis. Heetel needs to be reimbursed for: Jan. Newsletter \$13.20 and stamps for \$11.00. Sis. L. Wilt submitted a bill for \$158.38 for the Falcon Key Club mailer. Bro. Wilt – for membership lunch. \$596 Rose's Catering, \$294.08 receipts for beverages, decorations, certificates, envelopes, postage. Sis. V. Wilt made a motion to pay the bills, second by Sis. L. Wilt. Motion passed.

**BOI REPORT:** Sis. Becker reported: Class Reports: Tots: 28 registered/ 23 average. Twenty five of the 28 will be participating in Exhibition. They are working on cal and special number before breaking to do the tumbling rotation. Girls' class: 21 registered/ 15 average. The class has finished learning the cal and special number and are now just perfecting them. Doing gymnastics in class and will soon start learning the routines for the May competition. GJO class: 8 registered/7 average. Started learning the routines for the April competition. This class will participate in the gymnastics portion of the Exhibition. Boys' class: 6 registered/ 5 average. Doing cal and apparatus. Junior girls and boys: 3 boys and 2 girls are doing cal and special number. Working on fitness challenge. Senior Women: Average about 10 women. Learning the Senior II Cal and special number. There are about 4 women who will be doing the Jr/Sr cal with the juniors for Exhibition and will be participating in the Jr. Special. The women are working on the Fitness. Senior Men: 16 registered. Men are working on cal and fitness challenge. Sr II Coeds: 19 enrolled/ average 10. The Senior Coed has finished the cal and are practicing. They are working on the Fitness challenge. Spin: There are four students in the Monday class and five students in the Saturday morning class. Sis. Barcal would like to get the bikes serviced do to the dust that was made during the remodeling. She will look into getting estimates for the tune-ups. Wheels: 15 enrolled/ 13 average. Exhibition: The theme is "Spirit of the Seasons." We received a grant from the Riverside Township of \$1,500 to be used toward the rental. The BOI made a motion to raise the price of tickets to \$10 with a \$2 off coupon to be used at the after party. \$5 for children 6-12, and children 5 and under are free. Since then, we found out that publicity has gone out with last year's prices of \$8 for adults, \$4 for kids, and \$7 for members. This will happen next year. Sis. A. Maskill reported on the new spring floor. She found one that is 6 feet x 60 feet which is assembled with wood and carpet. Cost is \$3,648 including shipping. Sis. L. Wilt suggested that maybe the Juniors would contribute toward the floor purchase. Rooms for the Sokolfest in Buffalo, New York at the Marriott are completely booked. Rooms may be available at the Doubletree. Class break after Exhibition will be March 24-31. The Senior II class will meet on March 26 for their monthly birthday luncheon.

**Junior Board Report:** Josie Mensik reported: Savings: \$2,322.58. Checking: \$2,723.19. The junior board will be selling candy at the Exhibition March 23. At the Beer Club, they made about \$30 selling popcorn. They may continue to sell popcorn at the Beer Club, but not every month. They also thought of selling water there. At the Special Number Competition on April 20, the juniors plan to again sell carnations for \$1 each. They will again have a basket raffle after Exhibition and will try to collect

donations for the baskets. The juniors did attend and help clean up after the membership brunch on February 24. The juniors are planning to attend and participate in USA Sokolfest in June. Discussion was held about rooming and chaperones. Bro. Bazata made a **motion** to approve the BOI and Junior Board report, second by Sis. V. Wilt. Motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Sis. Braun reported: Checking account balance as of 2/1/19 was \$23,863.98 and the ending balance as of 2/28/19 was \$20,200.57. Safety Account balance is \$30,821.67 and the Memorial Account balance is \$9,392.71. Bro. Bazata **motioned** to approve the Treasurer's report. Sis. Barcal second the motion. Motion passed.

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY:** Sis. Becker reported: Letters will be going out to those that still owe. Deadline is at the end of the month. Youth membership: send payment to ASO for youth members. We have 67 youth members. New member fee: next convention please put this in for discussion. What is the purpose of the new member fee? Outstanding membership dues: approx. 30.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Bro. Wilt reported: Membership brunch: Total expenses were: \$910.08 and total income was: \$875. Income over expense: -35.08. A full report was submitted including financials and notes for next year. Membership appreciation dates will be the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> week of exhibition.

**PR/MARKETING:** Sis. Kosteci reported: Riverside Library hosting organization fair this Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from 1 – 4 p.m. Asked for further information and received nothing. Completed the form and received an email reminder.

**BMC:** Bro. Shrofe excused. We had a Boy Scout rental this past Saturday. Inquiry about non member rental in September. American Sokol Instructor School will be here from July 7<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. We will need volunteers during those two weeks. Working on planning the after party for exhibition. We do have a custodian, Kevin that has a list of tasks, no set schedule. He is here once week and gets \$250 a month

**BYLAWS:** Homework next month: Go to Sokol Spirit website and click on the tab for bylaws. What is the first word on page seven? Prizes to be awarded at the next meeting. Last month's word was organization. Winners were Sis. Barcal and Bro. Maskill.

**OTHER EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS:** Sis. Croft: Social events – family paint night. This will be promoted at the Potluck dinner in May. Chili cook off – Sis. Croft would like to coincide it with beer club night. Maybe in May or in the fall.

**EDUCATION:** Sis. Wilt reported the movie a week from Friday will be The Fifth Horseman at 7 p.m.

**NEWSLETTER:** Sis. Heetel reported: The newsletter is ready to go to print. Ad book: turned in \$2516. Keeping \$10 to mail copies of ad book to those that requested one. Linda Sokol Francis is paying for a full page ad and announcement. Deadline for ad book is today. Computer – software received and loaded. Thank you to the unit for purchasing and to Bro. Barcal for purchasing the computer.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Purchasing a new cooler to store beer for World Beer Club. Cooler with a lock and one that beer can be served from at beer club. Bro. Shrofe is researching coolers and pricing.

**Nominating Committee:** If anyone is interested in being on the nominating committee, please contact Bro. Maskill.

**Sokol USA Sokolfest in Buffalo:** Sis. Croft put together a bulletin board upstairs. Information can be obtained at [www.sokolusa.org](http://www.sokolusa.org) Click on the Buffalo icon. The host hotel is booked. They are looking into other hotels. Registration for events is not open yet.

**Budget Proposal:** Bro. Wilt reported: Finance committee has been working to get us a working budget. 2019 Proposed Budget was passed out. Budget and Finance committee motioned to accept the 2019

budget that was presented. Second by Sis. V. Wilt. Motion passed. Thank you to everyone on the committee.

Sis. Rocush – Suzy Mazgay and her family had a fire at their house. Rocush motion to give \$100 to the family. Second by Sis. Barcal. Motion passed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Pancake Breakfast profit was \$2200. The profit includes the Flapjack Open. Bro, Wilt informed us that Adult Quiz night will be held on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. Encouraged everyone to attend!

**Grant Opportunities:** \$1500 grant from Riverside Township which will be going towards the RBHS rental.

Reimbursement of \$220 from Central District for marketing purposes. We used it for marketing in the Landmark. \$3,000 grant for the basement. March is the deadline for the basement.

Under \$1,000 from Czech Republic Ministry of Foreign Affairs for entry way work. Deadline for this grant is August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**American Sokol grants:** It was decided to apply for three: apartment work, Safesport certificate for instructors and possibly for the wheels. We can only apply for two. Apartment should be done since we are having instructor school here in the summer.

**IMPORTANT DELEGATES ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Sis. Bultas reported: Tabor Hills 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 9/25 on a Sunday. BNC – had an explosion in the boiler room in administration building. \$30,000 - \$35,000 in repair costs. Cremation – doing well, especially for animals. Crematorium door fell off.

**Memorial Day** – Angie will get the bus. 5/27. All are invited to attend.

**CD:** Change in venue for Sokol Day. They are looking at the Veteran's Park in Lyons. (By Culver's in Lyons). Curling event on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at \$30 each which includes lunch. Extra cost is the bus. Spectators are welcome. Matt Carlozzi is coordinating this event. Expansion Program – Sokol United is going to take advantage of this new program.

**SUNSHINE REPORT:** Sis. Babka – Talked to Marie Ptacek who is being looked after by her daughter, Jackie. Sis. Bultas informed us that Helen Sevcu fell. She called to check on her. E.J. Schnabl fell at Burgis Center in Westmont.

Next unit meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 3, 2019. Social at 7:00 with the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Kathy Barcal  
Secretary