



Sokol Spirit Membership Meeting Minutes – May 3, 2023

Meeting called to order by Sis. Kathy Barcal, President, at 7:35 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of April 2023 Minutes – Bro. John Bazata approved, Sis. Diana Rhoades second, approved.

Correspondence:

- Wednesday, July 26 Chamber of Commerce re: Intellegentsia Cup Crit Bike Race. Looking for volunteers to coordinate vendor fair-like event. We will discuss it at a future meeting. We plan to offer use of the parking lot.
- Saturday, June 10, 10am-1pm. Riverside Township Community Health and Wellness Fair. Sokol Spirit is signed up. Brookfield Old Fashioned Street Dance 5-11pm. Spirit will be manning a beer tent.
- Adopt (sponsor) a student to go to instructors' course in July 2023 at Greater Cleveland.

Approval of Bills (Excluding bills Included in later reports): Reimbursement requested:

Bro. Bob Barcal: \$38.58 fire stick

Sis. Kathe Heetel: \$25.00 Membership book printing

Bro. John Bazata approved, Sis. Barb Bossany second, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by Sis. Jenn Baran (absent). Bro. John Bazata motioned, Bro. Bob Barcal second, approved.

General operating account:

Beginning balance	\$25, 357.31
Ending balance	\$28, 244.28
Difference	\$2,886.97

Memorial Fund:

Beginning balance	\$17,006.64
Ending balance	\$17,006.64
Difference	\$0

\$12,147.50 – paid for ASO dues.

Sis. Alix Fron motioned, Sis. Dorothy Becker second, approved.

Building Management Director Report:

 Submitted by Sis. Kathy Barcal.

Waiting on roof contact to get updated quotes. We need to fix the roof, boiler, hatch to access roof, and gutter guards. Estimated to be over \$20,000.

The gym floor will be re-done.

The parking lot is crumbling in the middle.

Pictures were hung in the lower hall.

There are several outside rentals over the summer.

Sis. Peggy Gilbert cleaned out ice machine.

Proposal to increase group membership rental from \$400-\$600 and increase rate for hockey rental.

The vote for the unit to use money from the reserve fund needs to be part of Annual Meeting invite.

Board of Instructors Director's Report: Submitted by Sis. Alix Fron.

Fun Fair

- Was very successful - 39 class participants and their families attended (approx 90 kids)
- Many positive reviews from kids and parents. There were no long lines.
- Face painter, balloon artist, and games rented from Kevin Kozelka were all a big hit.
- There are leftover prizes and photo booth props that could be used for a future Fun Fair
- Purchased 3 boxes of soft pretzels (24 per box), only used 1 and a half. One box is in the freezer, could not return. Purchased 3 boxes of cotton candy (12 per box), only used 1. Was able to return the other 2. Purchased 2 giant bags of popcorn. Only used 1. Purchased one can of nacho cheese.

Expenses	Income	Profit
Prizes/supplies - \$112.51 Food - \$107.95 Kevin K's Game Rental - \$100 Face Painter - \$180 Balloon Artist - \$225 Beverages - ? Total – (\$725.46)	Admission - \$210 Bar - \$113 Bar Tips - \$14 Kitchen - \$122 Total - \$459	(\$266.46)

The goal of this event was to provide a fun social event for our class participants. We reached this goal. Many kids asked when the next fun fair would be! We might want to reevaluate what time of year we hold it. October? April? A different month? The biggest challenge was that we lacked volunteers. Most parents couldn't volunteer because they were following their children throughout the event.

CD Competition - May 20, 2023

Registration Numbers: Boys – 5, Junior Girls – 2, Monday Girls – 11, Thursday Girls – 6.

We are holding an extra practice for competitions on Friday, May 19th 6:30pm to 8pm

- Boys Session - 8:30am arrival, 9:00am Meet start
- Girls Session 1 - 11:30am arrival, 12:00pm Meet start
- Girls session 2 (if needed) - 2:30pm arrival, 3:00pm Meet start

Sokol Day - May 21st

Veteran's park in Lyons. Encouraged to wear Sokol gear. Raffles – prasky and basket. Each unit asked to create a basket. Sis. Fron suggested we discuss ways to make our "camp" welcoming to all class participants and their families. I think we should bring:

- Freeze pops (in freezer from October Fest)
- Giant Connect Four
- Giant Pong Game
- Bags set
- Any other ideas?

In-Class Showcases Week of May 22-25 during class times

- We will give out Sokol Spirit drawstring backpacks to participants afterwards
- Certificates for participants "flying up"

Next Year

- We are seeking Monday Girls coaches/helpers and Tots coaches/helpers

- We may need to increase payment and/or pay coaches for attending extra events like Competitions and Exhibitions
- We are planning to participate in the Wheel Instructor exchange program again. Instructor Jana coaching is this year but we will need a new one next year. It adds value to the program but these classes are expensive to run. We'd like to do it next year.
- Physical Director needed to replace Sis. Fron next year.

Sis. Lauren Wilt approved, Sis. Wendy Sanders second, approved.

Executive Board Reports & Upcoming Events

Financial Secretary: Sis. Dorothy Becker. ASO dues due. She sent them April 14 but didn't get invoice. 270 total membership – 59 added, dropped 38. Dues \$9,502.50. Convention dues \$2,645.00. Total \$12,147.50. \$35 annually, no new member billing. Convention dues \$10/person/year. \$337.50 due to CD. New database system – everything updated. Virtual training sessions in May. Sis. Becker is asking for back-up so others can also learn to utilize the system. Admin conference will be held October 7 and 8 for additional training also.

Membership: Bro. Howie Maskill. Annual Membership Brunch April 30. He reports that it went well. There were 37 members, 1 guest and 4 children. 11 of the 18 honorees attended. Kentucky Derby theme. Vera voted 'best dressed' and got a swag bag. Not a fundraiser: cost \$700.00, \$385 was spent to stock up on pins. Pins are given out for 10 and 25 year anniversaries. Any ideas for next year's event? Maybe Membership Reunion/Homecoming theme.

Bylaws: Bro. Adam Wilt. Two lies and a truth. Truth: Annual meeting announcement needs to be mailed or sent by electronic means only if it changes from first Wednesday. Bylaws modifications needed by this meeting in time for Annual meeting.

PR/Marketing: Found red drawstring bags to give to kids during the last week of Sokol which will have Spirit logo on them. Looking for swag for parades. Sis. Kristen Kempson and Bro. Adam Wilt are doing a great job.

Newsletter: April newsletter should have been received. Sis. Linda Baran is looking for content. May 25 deadline for next newsletter to spiritnews@hotmail.com.

Events: World Beer Club will be June 16 and will be the last one until it resumes in Fall.

Falcon Key Club (FKC): Sis. Barb Bossany. \$825 donations. List of people who donated was submitted for the next newsletter. Our website can accept donations specifically for FKC.

Farmer's Market: Sis. Cassie Croft. 6 dates this summer will be on the Spirit website. If able to volunteer, email Sis. Croft.

Other Reports/Updates – Executive board reports for annual membership meeting due 5/24.

Central District – Sis. Barb Bossany will make Spirit's basket for the Sokol Day basket raffle. Bro. Kevin Rutkowski will grill for Sokol Day. Bring your own food and drinks.

Wednesday, May 31: Senior Health and Fitness day 10-11 am. Friendship, Fitness and Fun. Sis. Nancy Pajeau is hosting the event.

Delegate Announcements

Tabor Hills: no report.

Bohemian National Cemetery: Sis. Keg Rocush. BMC is doing great. Sis. Rocush did not attend the luncheon.

Czech American Congress: Sis. Vera Wilt. Meeting tomorrow. Lidice commemoration June 11 at Crest Hill. Congress will pay for park clean up. Pear tree planted. Special guest speaker from Czechia and participating in Czech conference in Cedar Rapids, IA. Focus on survivors of concentration camps. No picnic this year.

Pre-Slet travel/language course. If there is something you are interested in education-wise, let Sis. Wilt know.

Moravian Cultural Society: no report

Brookfield Chamber of Commerce: no report

New Business – Annual meeting is next month. All officers should wear parade uniforms and need to submit reports to Sis. Barcal by 5/24. Appetizers and desserts will be requested and shared.

Bro. Frank Tudisco: Golf Outing August 19th at Meadowlark Golf Course. About \$60, \$25 all day drinks. More info to come.

Oktoberfest scheduled for September 9, 2023.

Nominating Committee report. Most positions are filled with a few exceptions. Physical Director needed.

Unfinished Business – Question of whether or not we will ever have exhibition again with calisthenics could not be answered. Only two gyms, Sokol Greater Cleveland and Ceska Sin, held exhibitions this year.

Central District annual softball tournament. The team is looking for donations to support their season. Last year it was \$300. Motion to approve \$300 by Bro. John Bazata, Sis. Vera Wilt second, approved.

Sis. Wilt reports she is working on tours for Prague 2024. Cals are on the website. More info to come.

News around the unit – none

For the good of the order - none

Next Meeting – June 7, 2023

- Social begins at 6:30 p.m.
- Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

Annual Meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Adjournment by Sis. Kathy Barcal at 9:12pm

Respectfully submitted by Sis. Kathe Heetel – Secretary

