



Unit Meeting Minutes – October 2, 2024

Meeting called to order by Sis. Kathy Barcal, President, at 7:35 p.m. and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting minutes approvals:

September Unit 2024 meeting minutes: Bro. John Bazata motioned, Sis. Wendy Sanders seconded. Approved.

Correspondence:

Sis. Kaitlyn Barcal requests support for Best Buddies Champion of the Year through a donation. No motion was made at this time.

Presentation of Bills: None submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by Sis. Jenn Baran

General operating account:

Beginning balance	\$ 4009.40
Income	\$ 40,444.21
Expenses	\$(12,579.39)
Ending balance	\$ 31,874.22
Gain since Sept meeting	\$ 27,864.82

Memorial Fund:	\$ 15,181.53
Income	\$ 0
Ending balance	\$ 5,181.53*

ADA Fund: \$ 3,036.71 (no change)

*The Treasurer reports September is not fully reconciled. There was a change in last month's balance due to a returned check that needs to be voided and rewritten. There was a \$10,456 withdrawal from EJ account to the general checking to cover the painting and gym flooring expenses. We have invested \$10,000 from the Memorial Fund into a 5-month CD with a 4.7% APR. The transfer from the Memorial Fund to the general checking has not been reversed to date.

The treasurer also reports financials from Oktoberfest 2024. This should include all bills. Technically, this does not include the additional liquor tax that we will owe based on the new need to track. This also does not include any women's class, or any other, purchase of White Claw.

Oktoberfest 2024:

Income	\$ 5,327.75
Expenses	\$ (2,628.11)
Profit	\$ 2,744.64

Treasurer's report by Bro. Bazata, seconded by Sis. Sarah Heth. Approved.

Building Management Director's Report: Presented by Sis. Kathy Barcal

Last meeting held right before the October Unit meeting so no report could be provided. Sis. Barcal reports there are many rentals but no major projects coming up. The painting has been done in the bathrooms and the landing ceiling. Bro. Bazata has been asked to rehang the flags that were cleaned this summer.

Board of Instructors Director's Report: Submitted by Sis. Lauren Wilt

Last meeting: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 @ 7:30p

1. Track & Field will again be virtual and done in class. Results are due October 27th. Materials have not been received yet.
2. BOI Development Conference held in Cleveland 10/19-10/20. Coaches need to let BOI know if they want to attend. They will be teaching calcs and numbers for 2025 Slet.
3. Halloween Parties will be held as separate classes on regular nights. Each class member should bring a bag of candy to his or her class to be distributed to everyone by October 18. Thursday girls' class will have their party on 10/24 and have no class on 10/31.
4. Brookfield Zoo Trim-a-Tree event will be held on November 10th. Spirit will decorate it on November 10, with several coaches helping out.
5. Winter Gym Show scheduled for December 20, 2024, more details to come!
 - a. New Business: Mats for under Tots bars to be purchased by Alex Maskill, BOI agrees to reimbursement of same. Pricing based at \$170 plus any taxes/shipping.
6. Next Meeting – October 15 @ 7:30p

Men's class is asking to set up weightlifting equipment on stage. The stage may not be able to hold that weight. Further research is needed.

Sis. Barcal has a CPR training contact person available for November. She will coordinate with Sis. Lauren Wilt for people in need of certification or renewal.

Motion to approve BOI report by Sis. Vera Wilt, seconded by Sis. Carol Shrofe. Approved.

Executive Board Reports & Upcoming Events:

Financial Secretary – Sis. Dorothy Becker submitted a report. \$330 will be paid for CD dues. Treasurer Baran will cut the check when it's due.

Membership Director – Bro. Howie Maskill reports we have two new members.

Education Director – Sis. Vera Wilt reports Czech language classes have begun with the usual students. One person has shown interest in individual lessons.

Bylaws – no updates

PR/Marketing – no report, but Sis. Proper will be asked to

- put together a new Spaghetti Dinner flyer. Same information: 11/2, 4-7pm, \$10 adults, \$5 for children 12 and under (or under 12?).
- look into Ink You Wear for Sokol Spirit promo products. \$50 set up. We can order items a la carte, through the website so we don't need to buy or keep inventory at the gym.

Sis. Vera Wilt motioned to initiate the online shop process, seconded by Sis. Heth. Approved.

World Beer Club – Bro. and Sis. Howie and Alex Maskill will run October WBC. Sis. Carolyn Morriss and Nate Morriss will run the November WBC. There will not be an issue with WBC and the set-up for Vendor Fair the next day. A portion of the lower hall will be set aside for WBC.

Delegate Announcements:

Central District Annual Meeting is November 3, 2024 at Sokol Tabor, hosted by Sokol Chicagoland. A continental breakfast will be provided; no lunch. Meeting starts at 9am but delegates can arrive at 8:30am. Executive board members Sis. Cassie Croft, Bro. Howie Maskill, Bro. Adam Wilt, Sis. Kathy Barcal, Sis. Vera Wilt, Sis. Sarah Heth, Sis. Kathe Heetel and Sis. Lauren Wilt will serve as delegates. Sis. Barcal will ask Sis. Tricia Rini to serve. Also, Bro. John Bazata will serve as an non-EB member as well.

Bohemian National Cemetery and Tabor Hills had no report.

New Business:

Presidents' meeting: September 21. Sis. Barcal reports:

- Volunteers will be needed from each unit for unit events. Maybe assigning would be helpful.
- Panda Express fundraiser on October 9.
- CD dues and special assessments will remain the same for the year.
- BOI may vote to raise event entry fees at their annual meeting.
- BOI proposed cal to be part of Sokol Day to provide practice/experience for 2025 Slet.
- Sis. Maureen Stanko is leaving her position early. They are looking for someone to fill out her term.
- Sokol Spirit will be nominating Sis. Carol Shrofe and Bro. Mark Shrofe for the President's Award this year. Sis. Barcal has someone in mind to write the nomination for Sis. Shrofe, and will look for Bro. Shrofe's previous nomination.

Wreath Sale: After considerable discussion it was decided to hold the Wreath Sale again this year. Last year the fundraiser only profited \$97. Sis. Cassie Croft will run the event. She plans to remove some sales options and may need to raise prices. Also, maybe provide an incentive to high sellers.

Greeting Card fundraiser: This fundraiser will be run to coincide with the 2025 Pancake Breakfast.

Unfinished business:

Oktoberfest recap: Financial figures were provided in the Treasurer's report. Overall, the feedback was positive. Everyone enjoyed the band. Suggestion to move games toward the alley, off of Prairie. Suggestion to create wooden cut outs of people in lederhosen since we plan to offer this annually. This was the 14th year Oktoberfest was held at Spirit.

Insurance: Bro. Dave Kakareka is looking to lock in a 3-year rate for which we will be billed annually. It includes a lower rate for worker's compensation, and he is waiting for quotes for activities, directors and officers, and general liability. Sis. Vera Wilt motioned, Bro. John Bazata seconded. Approved.

Sign-up lists will be available both through SignUp Genius and on a posterboard in the gym to encourage volunteer sign-up for the Spaghetti Dinner.

For the good of the order:

Next meeting Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 7:30pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37pm. Sis. Vera Wilt motioned, Sis. Wendy Sanders seconded. Approved.

Respectfully submitted by Sis. Kathe Heetel, Secretary