



## Unit Meeting Minutes – January 7, 2026

**Virtual/Zoom Meeting called to order** by Sis. Kathy Barcal, President, at 7:06 p.m. and Pledge of Allegiance. Moment of Silence for Bro. Elmer Kulousek.

**Meeting minutes approvals:**

December 2025 Unit meeting minutes: Sis. Diana Rhoades motioned to approve as recorded, Sis. Carol Shrofe second. Approved.

**Correspondence:** None

**Presentation of Bills:**

Presented by Sis. Kathy Barcal \$30.20 for white tablecloths for Pancake Breakfast and \$15.60 for postage for placemat mailing.

Presented by Sis. Dorothy Becker \$6.44 for small envelopes for dues mailing.

Sis. Barcal also will be purchasing Pickleball birdies. \$100 approved at December 2025 meeting.

Bro. Tom Pajer motioned to approve reimbursement, Sis. Vera Wilt second. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Provided by Sis. Jenn Rutkowski

General operating account:

Beginning balance	\$ 17,880.18
Income	\$ 3,294.25
Expenses	<u>\$ (9,358.13)</u>
Ending balance	\$ 11,926.30
Loss since Dec meeting	\$ (6,063.88)

Memorial Fund:

Beginning balance	\$ 3,601.54
Income	\$ 1,300.00
Expenses	<u>\$ .00</u>
Ending balance	\$ 3,901.54

ADA Fund:

Beginning & ending balance	\$ 3,161.71 (no change)
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Note: December is reconciled. It should be noted that there is a \$10,000 CD still at our bank using the funds from the Memorial Fund: There is a \$25 adjustment to the ADA fund for an amount that was not included in previous reports. This was from a prior year. There was a payment of \$21,691.67 made from the EJ account for the balance of the roofing project.

Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Sis. Carol Shrofe, second by Bro. Tom Pajer. Approved.

**Building Management Director's Report:** Presented by Bro. Adam Wilt

BMC is asking for authorization at this meeting to make a purchase of a boiler and pump. BMC is seeking three bids but it is anticipated to cost up to \$65,000. A motion was made and amended by Bro. Wilt to allow the BMC to determine what is needed and the cost, and authorize a liquidation of the reserve fund not to exceed \$65,000. Second by Bro. Pajer. Approved.

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

- New Business
  - Winter show – December 19 was a success.
  - Spring session – classes start January 12.
- Dates
  - Pancake Breakfast and Flapjack Open Volleyball Tournament - January 25, 2026
  - Trivia Night - February 21, 2026
  - Sham Rock n Rolling Competition - March 21, 2026
  - Exhibition – April 25?
  - CD All-Around Competition - May 16, 2026
  - Sokol Day - May 17, 2026
  - La Grange Pet Parade - May 30, 2026

Next BOI meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 21. There was discussion about refund pricing so there is consistent communication and refund amounts. There was also discussion about how to prevent people from paying dues more than once and what to do about the 'donation'.

## **Executive Board reports & Upcoming Events:**

**Events:** Pancake Breakfast: Sis. Barcal is working on a getting ads for a placemat. There is a sign-up list for volunteers.

**Financial Secretary:** Sis. Dorothy Becker asked Sis. Sarah Heth to generate a report again so she doesn't send letters to people who have paid, she would appreciate it. She also reported receiving \$2,495 in dues. There was some discussion of whether or not Square is still our best option. Zeffy may also be an option since it's geared more for non-profits.

**Membership:** Bro. Howie Maskill. Presented and discussed options for Membership event. After some discussion, it was determined the 2026 Membership event will be held on May 8, 2026. More information, including time, theme, and menu, will be determined.

**Education:** Sis. Vera Wilt reports a successful event Czech party foods event held on Thursday, December 18. About 32 people attended. It was very fun. She is trying to determine future events, like maybe egg decorating. Czech classes started this week and run through mid-June. Registration is on the website. Thank you to Bros. Wilt and Maskill on helping with the announcement.

**Bylaws:** Bro. Wilt reported that he ran our dual membership bylaws proposal by Sis. Rhonda Liska who serves as an unofficial gatekeeper. All bylaws proposals for 2026 convention were due today.

**PR/Marketing:** Sis. Alix Fron reports she is working on a flyer and Facebook event for the Pancake Breakfast. She is also looking to post information in the Landmark and Brookfield calendar.

**Beer Club:** There will be no January 2026 World Beer Club. Resumes in February.

## **Other updates:**

Wreath Sale: Sis. Cassie Croft reports that the final profit for the Wreath Sale was \$508.75 this year. Thank you to Sis. Croft and Bro. Kakareka for working on this important fundraiser.

## **Delegate announcements:**

- Central District meeting will be held Wednesday, January 21.
- Bohemian National Cemetery: no report
- Tabor Hills: no report

**New Business:**

Superbowl Squares: Bro. Maskill has offered to run Superbowl Squares again this year, and Sis. Fron agreed to create a flyer and information to post. Each square will be \$50 and participants can use PayPal.

Pancake Breakfast: Sis. Cassie Croft has updated the inventory list and adjusted levels. A QR code will be in the gym for parents to use for volunteer sign-up. If anyone wants to go shopping for pancake breakfast items, let Sis. Croft know.

Share Food Share Love: Event January 31 from 7-9pm. Set up starts at 4pm, cost is \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. This is a 21+ event. Do we want drinks and snacks for sale? Help will be needed for clean-up.

Capital Campaign: Bro. Howie Maskill and Sis. Jenn Rutkowski and maybe a small committee will start discussing plans for this campaign to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Sokol building (2029).

**For the good of the order:**

Please sign up to help with Pancake Breakfast.

Next meeting will be held via Zoom only on February 4, 2026. Link will be sent by email before the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:13pm.

Attendance: 22 members

Respectfully submitted by Sis. Kathe Heetel, Secretary

