



Sokol Spirit Executive Board Meeting Minutes – August 6, 2025

Meeting called to order by Sis. Kathy Barcal, President.

Correspondence:

Health and Wellness Fair takes place on Saturday, August 30 from 10am-noon at the North Riverside Village Commons. Sokol Spirit will be represented. Bro. Adam Wilt will bring materials. Others are needed to man the booth.

Approval of Bills:

- Sis. Dorothy Becker requests reimbursement for stamps for the membership mailing: \$73.00.
- Request to pay \$2,600.00 from the EJ account for tuckpointing.

Sis. Lauren Wilt motioned, Sis. Vera Wilt seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by Sis. Jenn Baran.

\$1,000 may need to be moved into the account to pay for August bills.

\$10K CD is coming due soon. Proposal to create new EJ account with that money and invest differently to possibly yield better results.

Building Management Committee Report: Submitted by Bro. Adam Wilt.

The last meeting was July 31. The board is trying to figure out roles. There are three vacancies. Bro. Wilt is serving as temporary chair. Someone is needed to manage rentals. Members that live nearby need to be identified to be given keys.

Projects:

- Plumbing: Estimates are coming in but may be using Preferred.
- New parking lot lights: Bro. Mark Shrofe is managing the project.
- Rental: Jack (hockey): monthly rent raised to \$400. He will not be able to store equipment on site. They are looking for a product to protect the floor. Contract may not be extended due to extensive damage to the floor.
- Planning to submit three grants to the ministry to cover the roof and floor expenses.
- Sound system for both floors: Estimated to be \$7,200 for cordless system and equipment case. The new system would be for basement only but would plug into upstairs system.
- Oven: Rusty parts are being replaced and new parts are being shipped now. Thanks for Sis. Ulrich for managing this process.

Board of Instructors Report: Submitted by Sis. Lauren Wilt

- A Monday night class girls coach has not been identified yet.
- Working with Sis. Josie Mensik and Bro. Phil Tudisco to team coach.
- Passion project is to update and rebuild Juniors class.
- 2025-2026 annual theme: It Is All Fun & Games.
- Trying to bring Track and Field back to Spirit.
- Offering to host Turkey Trot on either November 1 or November 22.
- Online registration opens August 7. Discussed ways to push announcements via Facebook, etc.
- Mat washing and next BOI meeting: August 26

Executive Board Reports & Upcoming Events

Financial Secretary Sis. Dorothy Becker reported there are 4 new members: Bro. Jeremy Ulrich, Bro. Chris Boomer, Bro. Cole Heetel and Sis. Josie Mensik. Bro. Adam Wilt made a motion to waive class

fees and unit dues for those who are doing custodial tasks (at this time Sis. Peggy Ulrich and Sis. Kathy Barcal). Sis. Vera Wilt seconded. Approved.

PR/Marketing Director Sis. Alix Fron is working on an Oktoberfest flyer, scheduled for September 13 at 3pm, to post on Facebook, etc.. She is also working on a Google calendar and maybe a magnet of events this year.

Education Director Sis. Vera Wilt reports the start date for this year's Czech classes is September 22.

Membership Director Bro. Howie Maskill reported that 2025-2026 Spirit Bucks will be added to the August 2025 Spirit News.

Bylaws Director Bro. Adam Wilt asked the Executive Board members to look over their job descriptions and standard operating procedures. Any bylaws proposals need to be shared by January 2026.

Events

- Sokol Spirit will not be represented at the August 3 Farmer's Market. There were no volunteers.
- Golf outing: August 17, 9am. Sign up on the website.
- Oktoberfest: September 13, 3-10pm. Sis. Heetel will see if Szurko Trio is available. Volunteer SignUpGenius will be available at sokolspirit.org.
- World Beer Club: next event September 19. Sis. Cassie Croft is going to put a posting in the newsletter asking for volunteers to host WBC and a tentative schedule. Some months will be hosted; others will be BYOB. Bro. Bob Barcal made a motion to increase the price of a flight of beer to \$15. Sis. Jenn Baran seconded. Approved.

For the record:

- Share Food Share Love event scheduled for Spring 2026.
- There was a brief discussion about including Zoom link for Spirit Unit meetings to increase attendance and participation.
- Bro. Adam Wilt made a motion to nominate Sis. Barcal as a competitor for the Dancing with the Chamber event. Sis. Vera Wilt seconded. Approved.

Unfinished Business – Sis. Barcal will accept Presidents Award nominations at September Unit meeting.

Next Unit Meeting – September 3, 2025, 7:30pm.

Adjournment by Sis. Kathy Barcal

Respectfully submitted by Sis. Kathe Heetel – Secretary

