Membership meeting minutes September 3, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:34pm by Sis Wilt. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sis L. Wilt motioned to approve June's minutes, Bro Bazata 2nd the motion, motion carried to approve June's minutes.

<u>Correspondence</u>: ASO Newsletter-a thank you went out thanking our unit and members for adopting students for this year's instructor's school. The unit adopted two students and Bro LeBloch adopted the singing class. Moravian day reminder: Sept 20 and 21. Letters from our 2 Juniors who attended instructor's school have been posted. Sokol Canada sent a thank you for supporting their Ad book for the mini slet. Memorials: In honor of Ruth Uniejewski-\$85; in honor of Jerry Zitko-\$40; in honor of Anne Svec-\$50. The Moravian Cultural Society sent a request to place an ad in their ad book for the annual Czech Holiday Faire. Sis Shrofe made a motion to approve the purchase of a ½ page ad for the holiday faire ad book. Bro Lacina 2nd that motion and the motion was carried by majority to place the ad.

<u>Educational Director:</u> The educational committee has been keeping busy developing the plans for the E-learning Czech language proposal as well as the logistics of the Baby and Me 2 classes.

Bills: Bills from recent events were presented

- ✓ Membership Certificate printing from TIDD-\$147.50
- ✓ Tables for the unit ~\$3100
 - Sis Bazata motioned to approve these bills, Sis Shrofe 2nd the motion and the motion was carried by majority vote.
- ✓ A postage bill of \$19.60 was then presented for Sis Sevcu
 - Sis Babka motioned to approve this bill as well, and Bro Lacina 2nd the motion, and the motion was carried by majority vote.

<u>Junior Board:</u> No representative present, but Bro Bazata provided some information. 2 Jr girls attended the national instructor's school; the juniors made over \$300 at their summer carwash!; the juniors will be selling popcorn at the Oktoberfest event. All members were told to keep an eye out for a new discount card from Wendy's that the juniors are promoting as a fundraiser.

<u>BOI</u>: Met in August. Preparing for registration on Sept 5. The BOI director is trying to get more involvement from the instructors at the Farmer's Market. The summer SPIN class was successful this summer, and currently 3 new people are signed up for the fall session. The summer soccer program had a low turnout-and we are developing a learning curve on how to make this program work for us. The summer wheel program got some good exposure as well-they held classes on Tuesdays in Villa Park, then continued at Sokol Spirit in the later part of summer. The summer Sokol program was successful with about 18 people registered, the unit made ~\$1000. Baby and Me 2 is scheduled to start on Sept 4. Exhibition date has been set: March 28 at George Washington Middle School.

The BOI has some financial requests, including: The ASO development conference is going to be held at Sokol Spirit, and the BOI wants to purchase the group pass so that at least 9 of our BOI can attend. The cost for the group pass is \$155. The BOI would like to pay for Emily Temmer's wheel certification to assist in teaching the classes at Spirit. The cost of the certification is \$300. The BOI would like to pay for Jennifer Keefe's certification for Zumba, and she will commit to teaching her first session of classes for no pay. (This same agreement was used with the SPIN class) The cost of the certification is \$225. Finally, the BOI is requesting to pay for the use of the gymnastics wheels again for another year, the cost of which is \$634. Bro Lebloch motioned to approve all of the BOI's financial requests and the report. Sis Becker 2nd the motion and the motion carried with a majority vote.

<u>BMC</u>: The main report from the BMC was the announcement that the custodian was recently let go. There is no plan in place to replace him at this time. Therefore the BMC is looking to teachers and membership to pitch in with the building upkeep. Some upcoming projects include: carpet cleaning (9/12) and blacktop repair in the parking lot. The new phone system is getting set up, where callers can be directed to the appropriate voicemail to get information regarding Sokol Spirit. All of the action items approved at the annual meeting were completed this summer. The old tables are available to take for any members that would like to have any. There has been discussion about eliminating non-membership leases of the building due to the restructuring of the staff. The value vs. the logistics is being discussed by this committee.

Executive Board reports:

<u>PR/Marketing:</u> The school flyer distribution has been completed. District 96, 101 102,103 and 105 distributed our materials. Reminder of November 1 insurance renewals. Sis Keefe recommends that Spirit looks into a cyber policy quote if the unit starts to take online payments. No unit feedback regarding Facebook giveaways. The director is working on search engine manipulation so that Sokol Spirit comes up more frequently in searches. NEWSLETTER: 10th anniversary cruise pictures are wanted! The next deadline is November 20 (don't forget your holiday greetings!) A bill of \$182.09 was submitted for newsletter expenses. Sis. Becker mentioned that the newsletter has the incorrect amount for membership dues. We must communicate that it is \$70 now.

<u>President:</u> Sis Wilt informed the unit that she has sent in Sokol Spirit's annual report for the President's Conference.

Delegates:

Central District: Held meeting in August, and they are in need of a secretary. 2500 postcards will be distributed promoting Central District upcoming events. 13 CD students attended Instructor's school. CD membership is trying to establish a promotion with local business Klas restaurant and others for a membership discount. CD will be reaching out to units to see if they are interested in participating. A bus trip is being organized to Sokol St. Louis on February 14 2015 for their 150 year Anniversary celebration. The tentative schedule is: leave Saturday at 6am, return Sunday. 150 Anniversary clothing is for sale, the money must be paid up front to order. *At this time, there is no location set for the annual meeting.

Bohemian National Cemetery: the superintendent of 45 years passed away. There will be tombstone events throughout October. The cemetery is raising funds for a monument commemorating the Eastland disaster. The event is to occur in July 2015.

Czech American Congress: picnic again was very successful, there were many compliments!

Mas. Czech School: their normal classes will be starting up for the fall.

Tabor Hills: meeting for delegates is Sept 15, and more are welcome.

<u>New Business</u>: RUMMAGE SALE! The committee needs help promoting the event as well as providing bakery for the kitchen.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>: Oktoberfest volunteer list was passed around. Everyone was encouraged to attend and bring friends with. The President reviewed the upcoming fall events. Bro Wilt announced a fundraising event to help with future ADA compliance improvements. Check out the flyer in the September newsletter. A flat fee gets you food and drink and live music. \$30 for adults, \$20 ages 11-20, \$10 ages 10 and below. The membership suggested to continue this campaign all year.

For the Good of the Order:

Sis Wilt spoke to the membership about rejuvenating membership this year. She urged members to bring friends, old and new to one or two events this year. October hostess: Sis Shrofe volunteered to host the next membership meeting.

Discussion regarding ordering another dumpster for the weekend of rummage sale ensued. Membership was encouraged to assist in bringing donations left over to various charities rather than filling the dumpster.

The next Spirit unit meeting is: October 1, refreshments at 7:00pm, meeting at 7:30pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassie Croft-Secretary

LATE ADDITION TO THE MINUTES:

Treasurer's Report: July through 9/3/14

General Operating Account-Standard Bank

Beginning balance: \$(636.76)

Income: \$13,958Expense: \$10,800.74

Ending balance: \$2,520.50Monthly loss/gain: \$3,157.26

BMC Holding Account-Standard Bank

o Beginning balance: \$7,299.73

o Income: \$-

o Expense: \$2,000

Ending balance: \$5,299.73Monthly loss/gain: \$2,000

• Memorial Fund-Fifth Third Bank

o Beginning balance: \$10,468.64

Income: \$--Expense: --

Ending balance: \$10,468.64

Monthly loss/gain: --