

Membership meeting minutes May 6, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm by Sis Wilt. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sis. C. Shrofe motioned to approve April's minutes, Bro. Bazata 2nd the motion. Motion carried to approve April's minutes.

Correspondence: School District D103 Foundation contacted us to see if we would donate to their annual golf outing. Sis C. Shrofe made a motion to create 2 coupon packs as a raffle prize donation for the event. Bro. Lacina 2nd that motion, and the motion was carried. In the Director's Newsletter there was a plea for units to adopt students/classes at the Instructor's School. Bro. Lebloch made a motion to adopt the 4 committed Sokol Spirit students for Instructor's Course at a total price of \$200. The motion was 2nd by Bro. Wilt and the motion was carried.

Education: Czech class and Film Fridays are set for the fall season. The committee is also moving forward with the E Learning opportunity.

Junior Board: Finances: \$3,485 in Checking account, \$2,318 in the Savings account. Recent fundraising: exhibition basket raffle brought in \$600 profit from the 21 baskets as prizes. The annual exhibition candy sale was combined with a World's Finest Chocolate sale and made about \$80 in profit. The Juniors purchased 75 carnations to be sold at the special number competition. Social/fun stuff: the Jr's will be holding their annual "survivor" themed sleepover during Memorial Day weekend. The Jr's are also starting to discuss their fly-up party details.

BOI: Upcoming events for BOI: 5/9 boys-men's gymnastics competition 9am at Naperville Central; 5/16 girls-women's gymnastics competition Naperville Central; 5/17 Sokol Day at Ehlert Park-Brookfield; 5/21-Arrivederci! End of year showcase, awards night and fundraiser for the wheel team; 5/30-LaGrange Pet Parade; 7/4 Brookfield parade. Summer plans: Baby and Me will be taking July and August off. Spin will most likely pick back up in August or September. Wheels summer session will run on the following dates: 7/1, 7/8, 7/29 and 8/5, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26 from 5:30-6:30pm. Summer adult co-ed class will continue June and July with off-site locations during the Instructor's' school. All 150th celebration surveys are due to Howie by 6/5/15. Howie will be holding an end-of-year cookout for the instructors to show appreciation for all they have done this year. It will be on May 29 and the budget will not exceed \$100.

Bro. Lebloch made a motion to approve the BOI report cookout budget. Sis. E. Babka 2nd and the motion carried.

A question regarding availability for Memorial Day Services was asked: There will be a bus at Sokol Spirit on Memorial Day morning, around 7:30am to take interested members and their families to Bohemian National Cemetery for their annual services. Sokol Parade uniform is suggested attire.

BMC: The team is working on a schedule of when to open the building while classes aren't in session. Spirit was approached by a wrestling group about a monthly show but was voted down due to Spirit needing to provide concession services. Currently pricing out lawn services, also looking to hire a cleaning service to clean the building on a monthly basis. The heat has been turned off in the building. MCS is currently using the building on Sundays to practice for their 50th anniversary performance. The BMC is also looking for quotes to completely re-do the parking lot, and trying to accomplish this before Instructor's school.

Bills: No bills presented.

ADA Committee: Meeting set for late May, more comprehensive report for annual meeting.

Executive Board reports:

PR/Marketing: Dates have been set for the Brookfield Farmer's Market. Sign up sheet will be available at the annual meeting. Chamber of commerce will be having an afterhours at Sokol Spirit on May 28, 5:30pm-7:30pm. Members are encouraged to attend and welcome the local businesses, host appetizers and drinks, like an open house. The newsletter deadline is May 20.

By-Laws: Some change suggestions were presented at the meeting, and are on the Sokol Spirit website currently. All bylaw proposals must be sent to the committee ASAP in order to inform the unit weeks before the annual meeting. Bro. Wilt proposed some by-law changes concerning the following: Term limits, Unit Officer changes, the Unit reserve fund, and the Annual Meeting.

Membership: Currently at 270 members. This past year the unit lost 21 voting members and gained 21 non-voting members. We currently owe the National organization \$9,945. \$1,225 is for convention fees. We also owe the Central District \$338 in dues. Out of this money, Sokol Spirit actually only gets \$23 per person out of the \$70 we make our members pay. The yearly invoice is very tough for a unit to pay. A proposal for next Sokol Convention was discussed: go back to quarterly payments of dues and perhaps reexamining where all the money is actually going. Currently the director is working on reconciling the membership number/roster between ASO and Central District-which do not match by a few names.

Treasurer:

Treasurer's Report: 4/1/15-4/30/15

- General Operating Account-Standard Bank
 - Beginning balance: \$ (631.39)
 - Income: \$ 28,709.38
 - Expense: \$ 21,664.62
 - Ending balance: \$6,413.37
 - Monthly loss/gain: \$ 7,044.76
- BMC Holding Account-Standard Bank
 - Beginning balance: \$ 19,669.67
 - Income: --
 - Expense: \$14,369.94
 - Ending balance: \$5,299.73
 - Monthly loss/gain: (\$14,369.94)
- Memorial Fund-Fifth Third Bank
 - Beginning balance: \$6,526.15
 - Income: \$ 1,408.58
 - Expense: \$ 828.58
 - Ending balance: \$7,106.15
 - Monthly loss/gain: \$580

Notes: The \$14,369.94 was a transfer of Dues from Holding to General Account. NO actual income. Annual Nat'l & Qrtly district 2015 dues paid this month=\$11,508.75

Delegates:

Central District: 150th in November is planned for Friday-Saturday. Kaitlyn Barcal won the merit scholarship from the district. There was discussion about restructuring the awards ceremony at the Special Number competition. The Central District is sponsoring 2 men's softball teams. Units were asked to chip in. Membership director held a meeting to talk about how to bring in new members.

Bohemian National Cemetery: No report-reminder about Memorial Day services.

Czech American Congress: Mark your calendar for June 7 11am, (Lidice)-there is no bus, carpooling suggested. The picnic is going to be held Sunday July 26.

Mas. Czech School: Working with the Czech radio station. Hosted a dumpling fundraiser through Café Prague.

Tabor Hills:

New Business: Leadership has reached out to officers to see who is retaining their position. The nominating committee actually needs another member itself! Annual meeting: will have hearty appetizers, pot luck dinner starts at 6pm. Unit meeting at 7pm, Annual meeting at 7:30pm. Bro. Pajer made a motion to have Sokol Spirit contribute \$250 for the CD softball teams. The motion was 2nd by Bro. Lebloch and the motion was carried.

Unfinished Business: Quiz night made about \$1100 after expenses. Membership dinner=58 members, 25 guests and 14 children attended. \$1100 was brought in, and this event typically breaks even.

For the Good of the Order:

The audit committee met and the books are all accurate and in order, and taxes were filed.

The next Spirit unit meeting is: June 3- refreshments at 6:00pm, meeting at 7:00pm. Annual meeting at 7:30pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassie Croft-Secretary