



Unit Meeting Minutes – May 1, 2024

Meeting called to order by Sis. Kathy Barcal, President, at 7:36 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of April 2024 Minutes: Bro. John Bazata motioned, Sis. Dorothy Becker seconded. Approved.

Correspondence – A basket is needed for the Sokol Day Awards Picnic Basket Raffle. Volunteers from Spirit are needed to sell prasky raffle tickets at Sokol Day from 12-1pm or 2-3:30pm.

Approval of Bills – Bills presented for reimbursement:

- Bro. Bob Barcal: \$38.48 for beer lines.
- Sis. Kathe Heetel: \$36.00 for membership book printing and \$28.63 for hot dog buns for Spring Show. Total: \$64.63.

Bro. Bazata motioned to approve reimbursement, Sis. Becker seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by Sis. Jenn Baran

General operating account:

Beginning balance	\$ 17,039.94
Income	\$ 9,809.50
Expenses	\$ (20,245.27)
Ending balance	\$ 6,604.17
Monthly (loss)/gain	\$ (10,425.77)

Memorial Fund: \$ 16,828.28 (no change)

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

April is not reconciled. Many things are in flux right now, primarily to due to outstanding Spring Show expenses and annual dues.

Bro. Adam Wilt motioned, Bro. John Bazata seconded. Approved.

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

Meeting held Thursday, April 18, one week early so we could finalize after party plans.

- Three Upcoming Leases
- Updates
 - Divadlo Event – Holding part of Deposit (\$100) for Table
 - Exhibition After Party - This has taken place. We will review the menu and quantities at the next meeting.
 - Beer Lines have been replaced - Need to replace drainage lines
 - Seeking bids for Tuckpointing project this summer
 - Pending Project
 - Painting to start this summer after classes – scheduled for June 10-12
 - Pipe Tightening above Gym
 - Removing Ladder in Gym
 - 3rd Floor Closet Door to be replaced (access to roof)

- Toilet in the Apartment seal being replaced
 - The health inspector is scheduled for May 3.
 - Bro. Wilt is stepping down as chair of BMC but will remain on the committee.
- Next Meeting - Thursday, May 30

Bro. Bazata motioned, Sis. Becker seconded. Approved.

Board of Instructors Director's Report: Presented by Sis. Alix Fron

CD BOI

- The results of the Track & Field event held in October have been received, but the awards have not yet arrived.
- All-around Competition on 5/18 - volunteers needed
- Sokol Day on 5/19

Exhibition (Spring Show)

- Show seemed to be a success. Thanks to the instructors, Mario, volunteers, families, and spectators for making it possible.
- We were able to create 12(+?) baskets from donations from families and Adult classes. Raffle brought in over \$400.

The LaGrange Pet Parade will be held on June 1, 2024. Wheels class will participate in both the "pet parade" and the 4th of July parade. At this time no flyers will be printed to be handed out.

National Senior Health & Fitness Day is May 29, 2024. This is a Wednesday, and Sis. Pajeau will probably do something with her class that day.

The 2024-25 season is coming up. Coaches need to determine whether they are returning. A new director needs to be determined and class schedules need to be determined. More discussion on this at the next meeting.

The "End of Year" celebration was discussed. The BOI suggested that the celebration be combined with the Central District Sokol Day on May 19. A little bigger celebration could be planned with a pot-luck picnic for the classes. Awards will be distributed from the competitions the previous day.

The next BOI meeting is scheduled for *Wednesday*, May 15, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Sis. Becker motioned, Bro. Bazata seconded. Approved.

Executive Board Reports & Upcoming Events

Financial Secretary – Sis. Dorothy Becker presented there are 262 Spirit members. Dues were paid to Central District and ASO: \$9,170. Convention fee is \$2,550. Sis. Becker said only \$23 of every \$75 member's dues stays at Sokol Spirit. \$52 goes to CD and ASO. She reminded us that some members don't pay the full \$75 (e.g. college students, older members and executive board). There was a brief discussion about fundraising and the possible need to raise dues.

Membership – Bro. Howie Maskill reports the Membership Brunch was a success. 47 adults and 9 kids RSVP'd to attend. 11 of the 30 honorees were present. A \$250 donation was made by Sis. Pat Satek to recognize her 50-year membership award.

Education – Sis. Vera Wilt was absent but it was reported that she will hold 2 Czech Republic crash courses for those traveling in June. The sessions will be on Sunday, June 2 at 4pm at Sokol Spirit, or Thursday, June 6 at 6:30pm by zoom. \$15/person. Register by May 31.

Bylaws – no updates

PR/Marketing – no report. Chamber book: 300 copied needed. Also, flyers are needed for instructor school on social media.

Newsletter – no report, but we are asked to send pictures and articles to spiritnews@hotmail.com from all events, but especially the Spring Show and Membership Brunch.

World Beer Club – Sis. Croft reports the next one is scheduled for May 17. She is also stepping down as chair of this event next year.

Other reports - Sis. Cassie Croft reports a SignUp Genius has been set up for volunteers. BOI and Wheels get first dibs on dates.

Delegate announcements:

Central District (CD) -

- Volunteers are needed for both competitions on May 18 and Sokol Day on May 19.
- Sis. Jenn Baran and Bro. Kevin Rutkowski volunteer to cook hot dogs and run the table at Sokol Day for Spirit families.
- Sis. Fron will coordinate a scratch-off wreath from Spirit for the Basket Raffle at Sokol Day.

Bohemian National Cemetery – Sis. Bultas reports many people are being cremated nowadays.

Tabor Hills – Sis. Bultas reports Tabor Hills may be developing a plan for a new building to address secured dementia concerns.

New Business

- Annual reports by Executive Board are due by May 28. Sis. Barcal will send a Google Doc folder to submit the reports.
- Riverside Township Health & Wellness Fair: Saturday, June 8.
- Slet 2025. Bro. Maskill asked if Spirit would be willing to lease the building for an evening social event. Spirit members would not need to volunteer.
- Twilight Rental has free items they have offered to us. We have an interest in a podium.
- We will need to request \$250 in a grant for marketing funds before August. We can use it to support Brookfield Little League sponsorship (approved at April Unit meeting). We would need to submit receipts.
- Budget and Finance: Bro. Dave Kakareka presented the 2024-2025 proposed budget. Of note:
 - A \$1,600 deficit is budgeted.
 - Payroll is flat.
 - Missing as a line item from the budget may be Slet team entry fees of \$400.
 - Need to increase class fees?
 - Income from fundraisers are generally up from last year.
 - Income from hall rentals are generally up by over 25%.
 - Insurance has gone up but utilities have remained stable.

Unfinished Business:

- Prague shirts are available for purchase. Link to the order form is on emails sent to membership.
- The Nominating Committee met. BOI Director (or co-directors) needs to be determined. Most other positions have been filled.

Upcoming 2024-2025 events:

- Competitions – May 18 at Sokol Naperville
- Sokol Day – May 19 in Lyons
- Pet Parade – Saturday, June 1 in LaGrange

- Annual Meeting – June 5
- Brookfield 4th of July parade
- Golf Outing – August 3
- Classes begin – September 9
- Oktoberfest – September 14
- Spaghetti Dinner – November 2
- Vendor/Craft Fair – November 16
- Winter Show – December 20
- No classes – December 22 - January 6, 2025
- Pancake Breakfast and Flapjack Tournament – January 26
- Trivia Night – February 22
- Fun Fair (will include families) – TBA
- Membership Brunch – TBA but maybe March 2 (afternoon)?
- Spring Show – April 12 or 26
- Sokol Day – May 18
- Extended classes will be held beyond Sokol Day for cal and competing participants for Slet
- Slet – June 25 - 29

Meeting adjourned at 9:09pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 5. Note: Social at 6:30pm, Unit meeting begins at 7pm, Annual meeting begins at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sis. Kathe Heetel, Secretary