

Dolina Officers' Meeting

Minutes – June 14, 2010

Location: Culver's, St. Anthony Village

Attendance: James Bueltel, Anna Memorich, Anne O'Brien, Anne Jonas, Bev Piorek, Jerry Drinka, Jeff Wasienski, Edziu Rajtar, Karina Rajtar, John Czichray, Theresa Czichray, Terri Kurkowski

May Minutes: tabled for July meeting

Ice Cream Booth:

- **Decision:** We will put out a sign-up sheet and see what our numbers are like. Terri will fill out all necessary forms and applications. (We will know by the end of June if TCPF will cover all insurance.) The ice cream booth will be staffed mostly by Chabry since they are not as able to help in the merchandise booth.
- **Discussion points:**
 - Culver's suggests selling a single scoop for \$2 and a double for \$3. There are about 100 single scoops in a tub. They will donate 2 tubs for free, adding \$100 profit to the projection provided by James.
 - We can also sell root beer floats.
 - Terri figured out we would have to pay \$84 for a short-term food vender permit from the city.
 - Terri also figured out we would have to charge 10.775% tax.
 - James's projection assumes less than 1% of festival-goers will buy.
 - We would need to rent a freezer for ~\$40/day for health inspection reasons.
 - We would have 49 shifts to cover between merchandise, ice cream, and the photo booth, plus performance time. We will also lose some Dolina "manpower" to the TCPF committee duties.
 - There are concerns that people won't sign up until performance times are set, which won't be for a while. Someone suggested having everyone find their own substitutes later.
 - We briefly discussed setting a minimum number of hours Dolina and Chabry members will be required to volunteer.

Polonia Forum:

- **Decision:** tabled for July meeting to see if we get a response on survey answers (motion – Terri)
- **Discussion points:**
 - Contact has been made with PFDA, but they won't make a decision because the new board will be elected at the end of June.
 - We discussed whether we really want to be represented and came up with a few changes/suggestions we would potentially suggest or support.
 - Theresa suggested we wait until we see what happens once PFDA compiles answers to surveys filled out by artistic directors.
 - June 30 is technically the deadline to apply. Nobody's worried.

Fundraising:

- **Car washes:**
 - 11 people are signed up for Saturday, June 19, at Culver's. Chabry still needed to be notified. Anne O. is working on signs. We will be accepting free-will donations for this car wash.
 - July 17 at Culver's
 - We can host a car wash at Gasthof's in August
- **Kramarczuk's:**
 - Sept. 10-11, we would work their festival and dance, and we would get free t-shirts and money for the group.
 - The age limit to work is 14 (as long as not selling alcohol).
 - Friday is a half day, Saturday is a full day.
- **Polka Dance:**
 - Tori will talk to Jim from Dr. Kielbasa. We will work with what is convenient for him (so when he's not already booked).
- **Dinners:**
 - We just need dates, locations, and details.

Costume Pricing:

- **Decision:** We voted 10-1-1 to purchase the women's Eastern Krak costumes to complete the set next. (motion – Karina, second – Terri)
 - We did not decide when we will place the order/make the purchase.
- **Changes to the price sheet:**
 - The scarf price should be 270, not 300.
 - Add the scarf to the blue jacket price.
- **Discussion points:**
 - Our options (if we wanted to purchase costumes) were an entire set of men's and women's Lasowiak costumes or women's Eastern Krak to complete the set we started with men's costumes.
 - We need a year to get the costumes made, and Edziu would like to take Krak to Rzeszów and pick up the costumes there.
 - We can't mix the red and blue, but we can mix jackets and bodices. Jackets require scarves.
 - We never allocated funds for costumes, but it was determined/stated that we do have money for them.
 - We should be able to perform the suite easily on multiple occasions.

Miscellaneous:

- **Little Falls performance**
 - would probably be in the fall
 - James told them to pay for gas plus \$400-600; sparked performance cost conversation
- **Cost per performance**
 - no decision was reached, but it is something to think about
 - Our general base pay for the last 5 years has been about \$250 for a half-hour, and anything more than 40 miles from the Twin Cities would also

need to include gas money. We also generally ask that overnight accommodations be covered by those hiring us.

- Do we want to raise the base line to \$300 but keep it open to negotiation?
- We do have the teens and live music now.
- We are not a professional group, and \$250 looks better than \$300. On the flip side, we look good if it's set at \$300 but we knock off \$50 when necessary.
- Whatever we decide, we need to establish the base line so that anyone will know what to say if approached (since Edziu is not being the only one contacted anymore).
- **Grant**
 - We are giving Kaja the same agreement to fill out as last year.
- **Recording suites**
 - Bev needs a part for her machine, so she is stalled about 3 weeks
 - Lubusk is on another camera, so she can work on that.
 - Jeff has music list from Edziu.
- **Treasurer Report**
 - Checking: \$2,036.29
 - Saving: \$18,225.58
 - Total: \$20,225.58
 - CD: \$15,000.000
- **Other**
 - Theresa ran into someone on the PNA board who will try to help us out so we can use the PNA hall for rehearsals and/or dinners.
 - We are moving the Christmas party to Jan. 15 because of a conflict the previous week.
 - Kasia Liuken agreed to help dancers sing and is willing to work with a Dolina choir if she has commitment from members.

Next Meeting: July 12, 7pm, Piorek household

- **Tabled items:**
 - May minutes
 - Polonia Forum decision