

Dolina Officers' Meeting

Minutes – July 19, 2010

Location: Piorek household

Attendance: Tori Piorek, Anne O'Brien, Terri Kurkowski, Bev Piorek, James Bueltel, Edziu Rajtar, Karina Rajtar, John Czichray, Theresa Czichray, Bernie Piorek

June Minutes: approved (motion – John, 2nd – Edziu)

May Minutes: still on the table

Twin Cities Polish Festival

- **Merchandise booth:**
 - **Decision:** We agreed to not order new merchandise for TCPF.
 - **Other discussion:**
 - Talked about replacing wire grids with resin shelving
- **Canopy:**
 - **Decision:** We voted unanimously to purchase a canopy. (motion – Karina, 2nd – Theresa)
 - **Discussion points:**
 - The canopy has walls and is freestanding. It should be pretty easy to put up with enough people.
 - Should we keep investing in rentals or invest in our own tent? Do we have the storage space? The canopy would probably come with a storage bag.
 - The canopy cannot be stored with the merchandise at the Piorek household. Could it be stored with the Christmas party stuff or the costumes, at least temporarily?
 - Terri had a secret idea for storage.
 - Another option that was presented was that Terri could borrow her brother-in-law's tent.
 - The canopy costs just over \$250, which is money we can raise in just one car wash.
 - The tent rental fee for TCPF is separate from the application fee.
 - We could allow Dolina and Chabry members to rent the tent, which could bring in more money over the years.
- **Custard:**
 - **The gist:** After a lot of discussion about whether or not it would be profitable and whether we should look at Restaurant Depot vs. Culver's, we realized that it was too late to make any changes and that we were good to go.
 - **Action:** James e-mailed Chabry parents, Tori made announcements at Chabry, and Anne took care of finding freezer/storage space. We decided to have a Chabry parent in charge of operations.
- **Photo booth:**

- **The gist:** We didn't have to pay any labor costs, just cost of materials. We could also choose what to charge for the photos. We also established that Theresa would not be the one bringing the costumes or racks.

Fund Raising

- **Car wash:**
 - So far, we have raised a total of \$665.84 through car washes.
 - First car wash raised \$239.
 - Second car wash raised \$426.84.
 - The next car wash was scheduled for August 28 at Gasthof's.
- **August 22 race:**
 - 10-15 people, \$300 to the group.
- **Kramarczuk's festival:**
 - **Decision:** We decided that John would contact Kramarczuk's for more information (specifically about how much money we'd make).
 - **Discussion points:**
 - We don't know how much money we'll make.
 - The festival is Sept. 10-11.
 - We would need 3 shifts of 20 people, and we would be selling beer, food, and tickets.
 - Shifts would be 6-7 hours.
 - We can get family, friends, and alumni to help. The age limit for non-alcohol sales is 14.
 - The majority of the conversation involved how much money we'd make. It was brought up that Kramarczuk's is making a lot of money lately and that we'd be working hard and working long shifts.
 - We calculated that a \$10,000 donation would be about \$8/hour.
- **Dinners:**
 - Kaja will plan everything, including the menu.
 - We have Oct. 16-17 reserved and discussed doing the dinners after 4:30 Mass Saturday and 11:30 Mass Sunday.
- **Money to Rzeszów:**
 - Edziu made a motion to allocate all car wash and race money to the Rzeszów fund. Terri seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Financials

- **Treasurer's Report:**
 - Checking: \$2,614.49
 - Savings: \$18,190.04
 - Total: \$20,804.53
 - CD: \$15,000.00
 - We discussed adding a "year to date" line item. We also discussed working on some grants.
- **Insurance:**
 - ****I didn't really understand this part of the conversation, so I'm writing exactly what I wrote at the meeting.****

- Nesser quotes: \$950/year + \$100 ice cream
- Polish Fest
- Mazowsze (reimbursed)
- Christmas party
- FoN
- Rehearsals
- Still shoppin' it (yes, that's how I wrote it down)
- Need insurance certificate for festival
- **Money for Lasowiak:**
 - Rate is down to 3.1
 - \$730ish total
 - Needed by 8 p.m. the Thursday after the meeting.

Membership

- **Dues:**
 - Chabry is now on the same cycle as Dolina, and they pay \$24 now.
 - If Chabry members are going to Poland, they pay \$30 dues.
 - Edziu made a motion to purchase a flash drive for financials. Karina seconded. John will budget.

Artistic

- **Rehearsal space:**
 - We are only good thru August, so we need to find new spaces!
- **Video archiving:**
 - Lubusk is done.
 - Equipment still isn't fixed; a part is on order.
 - Time constraints – Beskid and Eastern Krak will for sure be going to Poland.
- **Sheet music:**
 - Jeff has the list and is working on it.
- **Polonia Forum:**
 - Still technically on the table.
 - No response on PFDAA giving money.
 - Flights are less than \$1,100.
 - Should we just send in our thoughts?
 - Tentative dates for the festival as of this meeting were July 14-21 (7 day vs. 10 day).

Costumes

- **Storage:**
 - Keep looking for a new space! James to make an announcement.
 - We need a space in the Twin Cities area. Our current space is in St. Francis, which is at least a half-hour drive.
 - At a minimum, the space should be 20x20.
 - We discussed trying to get a grant to cover costumes and storage.

E-mail related

- James to make an announcement to remind everyone to read all e-mails.
- Jerry to see if we can fix the reply-to-all-problem.
- Jerry, Edziu, and Karina can approve e-mails sent via the Yahoo group.

Photo sessions

- We will be updating costume photos for the website.
- Free
- Sunday nights around 6 p.m. for best lighting.
- Can Edziu just choose people? Yup.

Other

- When we take a performance, decide if we need audio help.

Next Meeting: August 30, 6:30 p.m., Rajtar household (this meeting will cover both August and September)

- Tabled items:
 - May minutes
 - Polonia Forum decision