

**SIOUX EMPIRE PRIDE SPORTS ASSOCIATION (SEPSA)**  
**MEETING AGENDA**  
**November 16, 2024**  
**CHANGED FROM Nov 2, 2024**

**Call to Order (Time: 11:00 )**

**Roll Call:**

*Executive Officers:*

Robert Burandt, President

Michael Hanson, Secretary

Chase Burandt, Chief Information Officer

Chris Sorenson, Vice-President

Mariah Johnson, Treasurer

*Executive Committee Members:*

Open, Marketing Director

Open, Community Volunteer Director

Sponsorship Director (Christopher, Interim)

Open, Recruitment Director

Communications Director (Open Position)

*League Commissioners:*

Rand Peterson, Bowling

Carl Creighton, Kickball

Michael Blegen, Softball

Carri Weddell, Volleyball

*Team Managers & Visitors:*

Jacob Grimes

**Order of Agenda:**

1. League Reports
2. Director / Executive Committee Reports
3. Standing Committee Reports
4. Executive Board Reports
5. Announcements & Public Comment
  - a. (No action can be taken by the board)
6. Adjournment

## **League Reports:**

- [SEPSA-OPERATING/EXPENSE PLANS\(Year end Actuals\)](#)

### **Bowling:**

- Informational Items
  - Review the 2025 Season schedule proposal
    - Winter Bowling: January 12, 2025 to March 30, 2025 (11 weeks). 9 Pin Tap - Tournament is March 30, 2025
    - Start time: 5:00PM - As long as Eastway has the opening, we will bowl early on Super Bowl Sunday (2:00PM) and there is no bowling one of the Sundays in February per usual for their in house tournament.
    - Cost per person per week: \$13.00
    - Shoes: \$2.25
  - The awards for Fall & Winter are completed, I just haven't picked them up. Total cost should be less than \$300.00. The quote was for \$270.30 - but stated it was not an invoice and additional fees may apply.
  - Review 2025 Budget
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

### **Softball:**

- Informational Items
  - 2024 Summer IPS Meetings Overview: new equip partnership, 2025 GSWS Houston 9/22-9/27, 2026 GSWS Columbus 8/31-9/5, 2 running questions being dropped from ratings in 2025, division caps changing for 2025 (D prev. 12 now 10 & E prev. 8 now 6)
  - Recommend updating player ratings for the 2025 season.
  - Review the 2025 Season schedule proposal - 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, off 5/25 (NSC), 6/1, off 6/8 (Pride), 6/15, 6/22, 6/29, off 7/6 (holiday), 7/13, 7/20, EOS 7/26-7/27
  - Winter IPS Meeting (Held in Houston):
  - Review 2025 Budget
- Board Action Items
  - I, Michael Blegen, move to step down from Softball Commissioner and endorse Chase and Jacob as commissioner/vice commissioner.
    - Motion: Michael H                      Second: Chris                      Vote: Unan
  - Softball email up to date, received no email from Scott about missed meeting.
  - Email from Uncloseted Media requesting input from lesbian community about softball.

### **KickBall:**

- Informational Items
  - Review 2025 Budget
  - Review the 2025 Season schedule proposal
    - 2024 season dates were: August 25th - October 13th, 2024
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

### **Volleyball:**

- Informational Items
  - Review 2025 Budget
  - Review the 2025 Season schedule proposal
    - 2024 Season May 2 - September 5, 2024
  - 2025 season will be located at Netbinders
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)



### **Sponsorship Director Reports:**

- Informational Items
  - No updates on final numbers from The District Divas Drag Show
  - No updates on final numbers from the ICON Drag Brunch
  - \$3,786 Money order from fundraisers
    - \$2,346 Double Feature
    - \$ 804 Divas 50:50 Raffle
    - \$ 438 Raffle blanket donated by Chase Burandt
    - \$ 198 Martina Shakers tips from Divas Drag Show
  - Rebecca Charles is willing to fill out Grant Application for SEPSA
    - SEPSA is responsible for finding Grant Applications
    - SEPSA needs to provide mission statements, goals, objectives
  - 2025 Divas Midwest Drag Spectacular
    - The District has been reserved for Saturday Oct 25, 2025
  - Propose to utilize 10X10 Raffle to raise funds
    - SEPSA purchase or get donations
    - Value of square to be determined based on value of item being raffled
    - Do not need to be present to win
    - Purchase items from SEPSA member-owned business
    - Support business that have supported SEPSA
    - Goal is to generate \$4 for every \$1 dollar purchased/donated
      - Example, purchase \$100 restaurant gift certificate
      - Sell squares at \$5, there is 100 squares, raise \$500
      - Gross \$400, \$500 raised less \$100 purchase, less transaction fees
  - Review 2025 Budget
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

### **Community Volunteer Director Reports:**

- Informational Items
  - Review 2025 Budget
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

### **Marketing Director Reports:**

- Informational Items
  - Review 2025 Budget
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

## **Standing Committee Reports**

[SEPSA-OPERATING/EXPENSE PLANS\(Year end Actuals\)](#)

### **Sponsorship, Marketing, & Recruitment Committee (Co-Chairs: Christopher &)**

- Informational Items
  - No report submitted
  - Review 2025 Budget
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

### **Operations / Events Committee (Chair: Christopher)**

- Informational Items
  - **Sioux Empire Classic (Robbie & Chris)**
    - Website update with 2025 information
    - Emails sent to various partners/potential partners
      - Experience SF, TCGSL, SSBL, SEPSA Softball Commissioner/assistant
  - A 2025 Budget review for board review and eventual approval
    - [http://www.ssblmilwaukee.com/pages/meeting\\_agenda](http://www.ssblmilwaukee.com/pages/meeting_agenda)
- Board Action Items
  - Motion to approve 2025 proposed budget contingent upon sponsorships and/or more teams involved
    - Motion: Michael                                Second: Chase                                Vote: Unan

### **Hall of Fame Committee (Chair: Robbie)**

- Informational Items
  - No report submitted
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

## **Executive Board Reports**

### **SEPSA-OPERATING/EXPENSE PLANS(Year end Actuals)**

#### **President's Report:**

- Informational Items
  - Facebook account deleted
  - Updated Officers with the Secretary of State
  - Review the List of accounts needing Officer Changes
    - Wells Fargo
      - Remove Robbie/Chase by mid-January 2025
        - Surrender Debit card by 12/31/2024
    - USPS
      - Complete the updated form 1093 & submit it in person to USPS Meadows
      - Autopay/Auto-Renewal with card 9755 (Robbie's debit card) Jan 15, 2025
      - Surrender the PO Box Key to the President-elect
    - U-Haul
      - Remove Robbie/Chase from U-Haul
      - Add 2 elected officers to the U-Haul account
    - Amazon
      - Chase & Robbie Removed
      - Chris Sorenson only admin with access
      - Invite sent to Treasurer before removal of Robbie & Chase
    - Google Voice
      - Transition number to Chris Sorenson
  - 2025 season admin schedule
  - 2025 Budgets
    - Suggest adding a team fee for softball and increasing player fee
    - Suggest removal of team fee for bowling & adding a flat fee for all players
    - Suggest Kickball flat player fee
    - Suggest Volleyball team fee and player fee
    - Suggest SEC fee flat team fee
  - 2025 Goal Setting
    - Suggest All-League Banquet free for players in any of the SEPSA leagues
    - Suggest Transition to Tourney Machine
    - Create HOF guidelines/SOP
  - Follow-up on approved Sunshine Fund Requests
    - Did these items get completed?
      - Donate \$75 in honor of Billy Van Doren to a pet rescue charity
      - Donate \$500 to Richard Kelly because of recent operations
      - Donate \$100 to Jimmy Diaz & Jeremiah Johnson for wedding gift
  - Two email blasts are going out
    - Holiday Message
    - Robbie's "good-bye" message
- Board Action Items
  - Implement a \$40 annual due for SEPSA general fund / operational costs / annual banquet. Fee will go into effect January 1, 2025.
    - Motion: Mariah motion to table to December meeting.      Second:                      Vote:

#### **Vice President's Report:**

- Informational Items
  - Reminder SEPSA is a non-political group
    - Be accepting of how people voted and/or their level of political involvement
    - If asked how to get involved, remind them we are a non-political entity and they should conduct their own research and support the organization(s) of their choosing.

- Transformation Project Survey
  - Inclusive Care Collaboration
  - Additional surveys have been added
    - This in the next phase from last years Health and Well Being Survey
    - There is a survey for youths 10-18 years of age
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Informational Items
  - October financials sent out
  - Received and deposited funds raised from Drag The Fields, District Drag Show, & Drag Brunch
  - Received and deposited Albers Painting sponsorship check
  - Reimbursed Jacob & Michael for all travel expenses for Vegas Summer IPS meetings
  - Received and will deposit cashier's check from Chris for \$3786.00 for Taco Feed, Drag The Fields, 50:50 District Drag Show raffle, & blanket donated from Chase raffle
  - Received and will deposit check from Robbie for \$500.00 for District Drag Show queen sponsor
  - Need to decide on date to meet at Wells Fargo to get Robbie & Chase removed, Chris & Michael added
  - Sales Tax return due January 2025
  - Update Officers on SD Secretary of State
  - Put together Administrative Budget before December board meeting
  - Annual dues - \$20-40? Cover administrative costs
    - Put together rough draft letter to members
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

**Chief Information Officer Report:**

- Informational Items
  - Updated website to have sunshine form to send to secretary.
  - Still working on updating the website to have a block to show pictures from a specific folder.
  - Create a pool league account.
  - Create a pool league on the website.
  - Create a league in league apps.
- Board Action Items
  - No action item(s)

**Secretary's Report:**

- Informational Items
  - Review LOI from Jimmy Crespín for Communications Director (See vote results under Comm Dir Section)
- Board Action Items
  - Approve October Minutes
    - Motion: Chase                      Second: Chris                      Vote: Unan

**Adjournment:**

Motion: Michael H

Second:

Vote:

**Notes & Reminders:**

Please submit additions and changes by Thursday before the meeting

**Next Meeting: December 7, 2024 | Location: SF Library**

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