

**SIOUX EMPIRE PRIDE SPORTS ASSOCIATION (SEPSA)**

**Meeting Changed to Jun 11th, 2022: MEETING AGENDA**

**Jul 17th, 2022: NEXT MEETING**

Website: [www.siouxempirepsa.org](http://www.siouxempirepsa.org)

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**Call to Order/Roll Call**

First:Damon

Second :Chris

**Administration:**

President - Robert Burandt - Here

Vice President - Jon Stykel - Here

Director Of Business Management - Chase Burandt- Here

Secretary - Behai Nguyen - Here

Treasurer - Brandi Mitzel - Not Here, via phone call

**Committee Members**

Recruitment - Damon Farah - Here

Marketing - John Zierke - Here

Communications - Michael Blegen - Not Here

Sponsorship - Chris Sorenson -Here

Community Volunteer Coordinator - Luther Johnson - Here

Ryan Love - Punk Poetry

David Kocisko - Punk Poetry

Larry Schut - 2022 sponsor

Stephanie Saunders - Pride Float Chair

Jacob Grimes - S&R Committee Member

**Prior meeting minutes approval**

**Approved**

**First: Chris**

**Second: Jon**

**Overview**

**Team Managers/Proxies/Others:**

Roller Derby: Chelle Cain

- Got the deposit back from MCC
- I'll email the receipt for the hotel rooms to be reimbursed : \$802
- Awards banquet 7-23
  - We're putting together a shadow box of a jersey for Andy
  - Will need to be reimbursed for cost of gift
- Zombie Crawl initial save the date poster has been made.

- That will be sent to big corporations for raffle item donations and possibly monetary funding.
- Facebook ads boost: \$1/day until Oct. 23rd (Save the date) It can get paid multiple ways.

#### Bowling: Micheal Blegen

- Michael and Chase meeting with Eastway 6/9/2022
- Notes from meeting: Met with Duncan and another associate (I'm really bad with names)
  - Eastway is raising the price **\$1 to a total of \$12.**
    - I discussed that we are more than likely going to be rid of the extra \$1 to SEPSA. ■ More than likely no longer have a banquet for bowling as not very many people attended the second banquet.
    - Still want to do trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd for each season.
  - Offering the same deal as last year for ball, shoes, bag.
  - **Discussed discounted/special drinks.** (I was firm on this that there needs to be a special while we play)
    - I mentioned that majority drinks vodka with some sort filler (mostly red bull) (The will discuss and see what they can do)
    - Discussed beer specials as a lot of bowlers drank beer while we played.
  - Mentioned that towards the end of the second season bowlers were burnt out on bowling. ■ Asked for suggestions and they mentioned a few ways to change the game up. ■ **I told them we want to do the 1st season of 9 tap pin** (9 pin strikes on 1st ball) just as a way to have a variety.
  - Free bowling during the week is now only offered to leagues that have a 32 week season. ■ I think there were about 6 people that used this for more than 1 week.
    - We will still get discounted games.
  - SEPSA wanted to do a bowling fundraiser that we did last year. Beginning to mid Sept.
    - They were open to this.
  - League appreciation day for free food and bowling is at the end of August everyone is welcome to join.
  - **Makeup bowling.** This is a new offering that they came up with during COVID. They want to get rid of this as keeping scores updated online is virtually impossible.
    - My counterpart was that bowling makeup is a big selling point for us.
    - I told them to not push our standings out and that we just use the sheets on sundays. Then every 4 weeks they provide me with the scores and I can get them digitally to the managers.
    - They loved this solution and we can continue to have game makeups before and after our scheduled play.
  - **Discussed times and date ranges:**
    - While discussing there are a lot of 4 - 6 week events that are in the afternoon (1 - 4) during the fall and spring seasons.
      - Our options are to have earlier bowling while these events are not going and to have a 5pm start time while they are going on.
      - Or we leave our time at 5.
    - Last weekend of Feb is always going to be a skip week for that tournament. I told them that we will just remove a week and our absolute last day of bowling is the last weekend of March.
      - Fall bowling to begin October 2nd and end December 18th. (12 weeks)
      - Winter bowling to begin Jan 15th or 8th and end March 26 with Feb 26th off (10 -

11 weeks)

Softball: Robert Burandt

- Sioux Falls Canaries Concessions stand
  - How are funds being allocated
  - Extra stands \* issue with team/player receiving sole funds meant for SEPSA general funds
- Fan Appreciation Day Update: Food fund will come out from Pride donation (\$5k) ● Request approval to book flights/hotel for Dallas, TX (getting charged to the SEPSA debit card) ○ To be reimbursed to Chase and Robert Burandt respectfully
  - Fri-Tues (fly back) approximately \$4k
- Holiday Inn reserved for EOS banquet- \$30/person who is not a registered player or non-player. Create a sign-up for members to get a guest count.
- League photographer
  - Photos from 2022 season needed
- Possibility of hosting 1st annual "Big Sioux Round Up" softball tournament Aug 13-14 ○ Damon would be tournament director
  - Field rental contract would have to be signed
  - Wristbands for the tournament are \$115 for 200 ct.

Fall Ball:

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Cornhole:

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#### **Sponsorship Committee Reports:**

- Old Business: Sioux Falls Canaries Concession Stand
  - Is the request for volunteers getting out to all SEPSA member -already discussed ■  
Start discussion of where funds to go -postpone
    - example , reduce team registration fees
    - Set aside funds for traveling team
    - Provide water and drinks for all players
- New Business:
  - June 1st Remedy Brewing Company Drag Queen Bingo
    - Aaron pleased with the turnout
    - Check to be issued first part of the week of June 10th
    - Wants to visit about Zombie Drag Queen Bingo late Oct, 2022

Sioux Falls Canaries Pride Night June 15

Roller Derby team allowed to have 2 skaters race at the end of the Second Inning Pie  
in the Eye Trivia- Robert and Behai from SEPSA and Rachel from Sioux Falls Pride  
Tom Hanks clip from A League of Their Own, No Crying in Baseball  
Sing Along to This is Me from Greatest ShowMan  
Encouraged to dress in Drag, if enough in Drag a contest of best dressed  
Crowd votes by cheering the loudest

Monthly Drag Queen Bingo

Micheal Mohr, Monday evening at High Ball, flexible on dates  
R-Wines Saturday Morning Brunch, willing to host quarterly

Remedy Brewing Company, they pick dates and special events, typically Wednesday  
ICON host Drag Queen Bingo on Sunday, can have any Sunday not taken  
Blarney Stone can use the lower level  
Fernson and Pave, have not heard back from  
Have multiple locations to pick from, it is possible to have a monthly Drag Queen Bingo,  
different times and location

#### Gist Wine July 23 Drag Queen Bingo

Review Poster and get board approval

Rosey Palmer Drag Queen

Check to see if Gist Distributor can print flyers

Permission to be set up as Admin on SEPSA FB event to create Event Page

#### Living Legacy

Those planning their final estate planning have the discussion on how to include SEPSA  
as a recipient of funds.

Permission to move forward with visiting with lawyer

Brian Kirby and Ballard Spahr

101 South Reis Street #302

Ask for free advice, if he will not donate time, ask rate, then request for funds based on  
rates

If this is feasible, this set up a space on the SEPSA website that will explain and contain  
information need for people to leave behind a Living Legacy

#### **Communication Committee Reports:**

- Old Business:
- New Business: Michael's last day will be June 15th, 2022

#### **Marketing Committee Reports:**

- Please send request form for all new requests to the [marketing & communications](#)
- Old Business:
  - Business Cards - For Positions.
  - Getting quote and proper formatting from Tanner with Minutemen Press
- New Business:
  - Big Sioux Round-Up Softball Tournament Poster
    - More details needed to complete
  - Header image sizes on website need to be 1400px by 600px
    - Facebook size is 1200px by 627px.

#### **Recruitment Committee Reports:**

- Old Business:
  - Revised/updated Recruitment Director duties (not sure where to upload this) ○ Follow  
up on Softball manager drag show (potential approval(waiting on calendar date from Club

David))

- End of season Club David vs Flix tourney (need status update) Bring this up to the 12th, Softball managers meeting, 18 ppl (confirm with Omaha how they will line up their team) ○ Working with the S&R to organize 2nd annual food events for recruitment
- Still pending approval from STI
- No word from AU, DSU, SDSU, NSU, or BHSU (will make 3rd attempt in fall) ○ Organized recruitment group to promote SEPSA during pride (still need volunteers (perhaps Luther can assist me with this?))
- Update on “swag” (only have business cards and stickers)
- Met with an individual to help promote SEPSA, (possible radio involvement) ○ Rescheduled recruitment event at USD for the first week of the fall semester, August 22nd need fliers for the following week. \$1200 for 3000 fliers, Minute men, re-quote for the matter. Need a timeline for these fliers to be done.
- Start utilizing First Friday for recruitment, promoting SEPSA

- New Business:

- Potential partner Punk Poetry
- Need flyers
- The Big Sioux Round Up - pitch
- Pride update - volunteers

#### **Community Volunteer Coordinator:**

- Old Business:

- New Business:

I sent out an email to the Watertown Pride

Could we get another Volunteer Survey

Would it be possible to set up a Facebook group or something specifically for the Volunteers, to reach in a more quick manner the just email

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

- Old Business:

- Grievance Committee Policy review/motion
- Pride Float
- Pride Festival

- New Business:

- Contracts

- All contract agreements need to be signed by President
  - Field rental, vendors, rental space, etc.

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

- Old Business:

- New Business: talk about sponsors and review sponsor packages and tier level

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Old Business:

- Bracelet order: Placed order on May 25 for 5000 bracelets identical to the ones we got

last year. Our order “slipped through the cracks,” and is supposed to be delivered to my doorstep by June 15. We paid \$950 and have been refunded \$150 from our order. ● New Business:

- Updated spreadsheets.
- In the process of getting all of the receipts and invoices uploaded to the drive. ○
- Made payment of \$1148.46 for new hand outs.
- Still need to get business sales license \*\*Will work on this in the upcoming weeks\*\* ○
- Received check for J&L Carpeting Cleaning for remainder of sponsorship of \$3,000. ○
- Roller derby funds for May-June for \$704 will be sent this week.

#### **Director of Business Management:**

- Old Business:
  - Created [officers](#) and [committee](#) group emails
  - Onboarded Luther and Behai
- New Business:
  - Still need Sorenson logo
  - Website header images need to be 1400px Width by 600px Height.
    - Currently I have been using the poster jpegs and these are different sizes and things get cut off or resized and don't look great.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

- Old Business: New secretary
- New Business: Elections-nominations-There have been no new nominations that have come in for the positions that are up for elections this year (i.e. President, Director of Business Development and Secretary).
  1. Community Involvement Nominations: There has been only one new nomination. Kenna B. has nominated Stacey Bolt.

#### **New Business: Punk Poetry & the Arts**

Punk Poetry-new logo

Wanting to become a non-profit, they have approval from the Pride Board to partner on events 2019 & 2021 had over 200 attendants

Wanting to partner with SEPSA to allow more attendants to share their music, poems, and writings. They are needing networking support, boosting their events. Getting volunteers for events has been difficult but Punk Poetry has 16 hours they are offering to help SEPSA.

\*\*\*Hosting events for minors/youth\*\*\*

They like hosting events at places that are not exclusively including alcohol. Want to be available to all and not just those who drink.

Sharing events between organizations membership Punk Poetry/Pride/SEPSA

Exposure for website and social media

Table/booth at our events

Hang poster/Logo at events

\*SEPSA umbrella\* inc, partner, etc..

#### **Motions:**

Motion to approve \$4,000 for Softball Commissioner and Assistant Softball Commissioner to attend

fall GSWS NAGAAA meeting. To submit reimbursement for flights and hotel ONLY.

First: Behai

Second: Jon

Unanimous: Yes 5/5

Motion to approve The Big Sioux Round Up Tournament on August 20th and 21st, 2022

First: Damon

Second: Luther

Unanimous: 8/8 of those present

Motion to approved a maximum of \$200 for wristbands for Big Sioux Round Up Tournament

Frist:Chase

Second:Robbie

Unanimous: 4/4 of those present

Motion is to adopt the grievance policies and procedures as written

First:Behai

Second:Chase

Unanimous: 4/4 of those present

Motion was to put forth a nominee for the 2022 Community Involvement Award.

First: Chase

Second: Behai

**Adjournment:**

First:Robbie

Second: Jon

**Notes & Reminders:**

Please submit additions and changes to the Secretary by Thursday prior to the meeting

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