

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**May 4, 2023**

The Monthly Meeting was called to order by President Renate McElheny at 7:38 pm. Renate asked for anyone who is not a member to please leave the ballroom.

The membership stood together to salute the flag and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of officers was taken. All were present except Virginia Smith, excused.

The names of deceased members were read:

- Otti McDermott-Weaver, former member and Chorus member
- David Oberdorff, husband of member Laurie Stephenson
- Joyce Ricedorf, mother of member Stacey McElheny
- Shirley Ann Bayman, mother of member Debbie Schopf
- Charles Reinert, father of Doug Reinert

Attendance was taken and there were 142 members/prospective members present.

The next Order of Business was the reading of the minutes from the previous monthly meeting. As per *Robert's Rules*, the minutes of the previous Monthly Meeting have been posted in the barroom and on our website. No corrections to the minutes were proposed and no one opposed, so the minutes were approved as posted.

Members to be voted on at next meeting:

Name	Sponsor	Date Rec'd
Allen W. Johns	Scott Rahe, Debbie Rahe	8-Mar-23
LuAnn Johns	Scott Rahe, Debbie Rahe	8-Mar-23
James T. Serfass	Terry Trego, Doug Dandridge	8-Mar-23
Megan R. Serfass	Terry Trego, Doug Dandridge	8-Mar-23
William H. Page	Edward Hunter, Theresa Turner	8-Mar-23
Susan M. Page	Edward Hunter, Theresa Turner	8-Mar-23
Jason Moyer	Robert L. Kilp	8-Mar-23
Nicole Soliday	Robert L. Kilp	8-Mar-23
Cody T. Williams	Trevor Ellsworth, Harlie Ellsworth	8-Mar-23
Daniel J. Berrier	Shawn Albright, Axel Waldkirch	15-Mar-23
Lori A. Berrier	Shawn Albright, Axel Waldkirch	15-Mar-23
Kathleen C. Yodis	Heidi Yohn, Renate A. McElheny	15-Mar-23
Melissa M. Ingram	Sean D. Laukhuff, Art Arnold	15-Mar-23
Donna L. Viera	Wendy Waite, Sean D. Laukhuff	15-Mar-23
Jerry I. Stoner	Virginia Smith, Renate A. McElheny	15-Mar-23
Paula W. Stoner	Virginia Smith, Renate A. McElheny	15-Mar-23
Zak Drescher	Greg & Debi Drescher, William Rhoads	22-Mar-23
Ellen Drescher	Greg & Debi Drescher, William Rhoads	22-Mar-23
Dale L. Houck	James Enders, Charlene Enders	22-Mar-23
Debra A. Houck	James Enders, Charlene Enders	22-Mar-23
William F. Wrede	Patrick R. Martin, Tyler Graybeal	23-Mar-23
Julie J. Wrede	Patrick R. Martin, Tyler Graybeal	23-Mar-23
Carrie L. Cheston	Sean D. Laukhuff, Brenda C. Liggins	22-Mar-23
Denise A. Shenigo	Kristine Kimbark, Robert Mueser	22-Mar-23

Cassandra Rumbaugh	Steve Dietrich, Christy Dietrich	22-Mar-23
Jeffrey Rumbaugh	Steve Dietrich, Christy Dietrich	22-Mar-23
Linda M. Koch	Rev. Mike Martine, Frieda Martine	22-Mar-23
Steven G. Koch	Rev. Mike Martine, Frieda Martine	22-Mar-23
Jon C. Bridgeman	Gerald Espenshade, Nancy Sharp	27-Mar-23
Katrina S. Bridgeman	Gerald Espenshade, Nancy Sharp	27-Mar-23
Scott Sallee	Jason Brill	27-Mar-23
Karen Sallee	Jason Brill	27-Mar-23
Cheryl E. McGhee	Lyle Reider, Michelle Zink	27-Mar-23
Kenneth L. Hodgen, Jr.	Mike S. Way, Denise M. Way	27-Mar-23
Kyle F. Deeds	Allison Deeds, Thomas Markow	29-Mar-23
James Rapier	Oneida DeLuca, Bob Pozesley, Judy and Wayne Bagrowski	5-Apr-23
Benetta Rapier	Oneida DeLuca, Bob Pozesley, Judy and Wayne Bagrowski	5-Apr-23
Greg M. Melbert	Kelly McKinne, Kathryn McKinne	5-Apr-23
Alex T. Phillips	Steve Myers, Dave Kraft	5-Apr-23
Katie A. Phillips	Steve Myers, Dave Kraft	5-Apr-23
Eric D. Lansinger	Art Arnold, Tim St. Clair	5-Apr-23
Ruth G. Lansinger	Art Arnold, Tim St. Clair	5-Apr-23
Larry W. Woodfin	Teresa V. Bock	6-Apr-23
Janet A. Woodfin	Teresa V. Bock	6-Apr-23
Dean L. Beamesderfer	Kate Trout, Melody Sue Ream	6-Apr-23
Jared M. Ridinger	Elise C. Fasnacht, James C. Fasnacht	6-Apr-23

We then voted on the following new candidates for membership:

Eric Hershey, Vicki Brodfuehrer, Keith Brodfuehrer, Becky Hershey, Deborah Bashore, Ryan Treadway, Heike Treadway, Annie Obermeier, Michelle McDonald, Shamus McDonald, Roger Gordon, Jodie Gordon, Siegfried Iberl, Jeffrey Eisenhauer, Andrew Fetzer, Cory Holton, Linda Mascelli, Jennifer Arnold, Dale Bashore, Ralph Spayd, Carol Drueckhammer, Greg Dice, Steven Bowser, Chuck Bigler, Troy Bender, Claire Lee, Ann Batdorf, Jeffrey Wolgemuth, Jonathan Rupert, Amanda Reichardt, Pamela Overmeyer, George Overmeyer, Anthony Prisco, James Kehoe, Kristina Kehoe, Logan Kready, Jensen Kready, David Loeffler, Anne Loeffler, Jennifer Prisco, Greg Schmidt, Carin Schmidt, Joseph Obermeier, They were all accepted.

Joan and Larry Withum welcomed the new members.

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

Financial Secretary, Jake Schopf, reviewed the Financial Report for April. Financials are posted at the Club.

#### **Entertainment Report:**

Vice President, Glenn Yanos, gave the report.

- May 5 – First Friday, Maria, John and Chip band
- May 6 – Chorus Concert
- May 20 – Maitanz with Joe Kroboth
- May 26 – Dr Larry and Ryan Duo
- May 11, 25 – Trivia nights

**Trustee Report:** The report was given by Joe Rauch. Joe thanked the executive committee for their service and then he also thanked the trustees.

May 13 – Club Work Day. 9:00am – 3:00pm. Sign up now!! Food and drink provided.

Ongoing projects: Kitchen equipment update, gas line install, and walk-in repair are all in the works. Ryan Shaeffer was thanked for his efforts with the gas line updates. Mike Eyster is working on football viewing upgrade to Youtube. Bunky Perko is working with Anne Jamison on the install of the hardware for the new POS system.

**Chorus:** Linda Husler gave the report. Come out and meet other club members and participate in the perpetuation of German culture through song. Practices take place on Wednesday nights. Their Spring Concert will take place on May 6 at 4:00 pm. They sang at the Reading Liederkrantz Spring concert and will be singing at our Sommerfest. Linda did another hard-sell poem for the sales of cookbooks - \$8 each, 2 for \$15.

**Schuhplattlers and Kindergruppe:** Paul Stanavage gave the report. Adult practice – every Monday at 7:30 in the ballroom. Kinder practice – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 6:30. Alpenrose will host Judge's Training at the club the weekend of May 5<sup>th</sup>. Mia Hutchinson and Avery Zodet (and their support group) will be leaving on May 14 to compete in Germany. Maitanz – May 20<sup>th</sup>  
Kinderfest – Saturday, June 3 followed by a Heimatabend, volunteers are needed for this day – see Laura Kemmick, donations will be appreciated  
Save the date: October 7, Alpenrose 50th Anniversary celebration

**Hobby Chor:** Gary Kirchner gave the report. They are a men's singing organization that strives to perpetuate German culture. They rehearse every Thursday in the choir room upstairs. It is a great way to meet other members and learn the German language. They will be appearing at our Sommerfest and in Allentown. Follow the Hobby Chor on Facebook.

**Alleweil Jung:** Carla gave the report. This group is the youngest cultural group. They are a casual folk dance group that likes to have fun. They post their practice schedule at the top of the stairs to the Rathskeller. Please join them. Carla thanked everyone for attending Abend en Vien; it was a success.

#### **New Business:**

#### **Nomination of Officers & Trustees:**

The Nominating Committee consists of Paul Stanavage, Peter Knapp, and Joe Eckenrode. They opened it up to nominations from the floor.

**President - Renate McElheny** – John Blank motioned to have the Recording Secretary cast a ballot, Charlie Gross, seconded. A vote was held and all were in favor.

**Vice President - Glenn Yanos** – Mark Stanavage motioned to have the Recording Secretary cast a ballot, Connie Waltz seconded. A vote was held and all were in favor.

**Recording Secretary - Mary Munster** – Barbi Stanavage motioned to have the Recording Secretary cast a ballot, Gene Barton seconded. A vote was held and all were in favor.

**Treasurer – Art Arnold** – Stella Seger motioned to close the nomination. Charlie Gross seconded the nomination. Jamie Dunkleberger motioned to have the Recording Secretary cast a ballot. Sue Roselewege seconded. A vote was held and all were in favor.

**Financial Secretary – Joan Braun** - Bill Keays made a motion to close the nomination. Bunky Perko seconded the motion. Deb Keays motioned to have the Recording Secretary cast a ballot, Jim Webber seconded. A vote was held and all were in favor.

**Chorus President - Linda Husler** (no vote necessary, elected by Chorus members)

**Hobby Chor Representative – Gary Kirchner** (no vote necessary, elected by Hobby Chor members)

**Barry Waltz** (serving second of 2, no vote necessary)

**Chad Hutchinson** - First Year of 2 – Mark Stanavage motioned to have the Recording Secretary cast a ballot, Grace Carlson seconded. A vote was held and all were in favor.

**Vote:** A manual vote was held for the remaining 5 positions on the Trustee board. The candidates were as follows: **Mike Eyster, Anne Jamison, Bill Keays, Bunky Perko, Joe Rauch, Mike Reitmeyer.**

Each person running for Trustee was given the opportunity to speak on their own behalf prior to voting.

Ballots were handed to members after a check of their membership card confirmed that each voter has been a member for more than one year. Those who have been members for less than one year did not receive a ballot and were not able to participate.

The Nominations Committee counted the ballots with the assistance of Cathy Hoffer, Michelle Becker, Jim Fasnacht and Charlie Gross.

The results are as follows: Mike Eyster, Anne Jamison, Bill Keays, Bunky Perko, Mike Reitmeyer  
John Blank made a motion to destroy the ballots; Gary Kochel seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Paul thanked everyone for their interest in running for an office. He also commented that it was nice to see members who are new to leadership playing a role in club oversight.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Grant Fund: None**

**Scholarship Fund:** There was only one applicant this year.

**Internal Audit Committee: Lisa Gross, Cathy Hoffer, Jeff Alexander, Bob Kilp** – Renate thanked the committee and gave them each a gift certificate in thanks of their time and efforts.

**Miss LLK Committee: None**

**Correspondence:** John Northup was recognized by Nancy Sharp for his efforts as our newsletter editor.

**Nominating Committee: See New Business**

**Old Business: none**

### **For the Good of the Club:**

Connie Waltz reminded everyone that many volunteer slots are still available for Sommerfest.

Renate asked for potato peelers – Friday and Saturday morning of Sommerfest weekend.

Duck Race tickets are still available.

Paul Stanavage reminded everyone that there is a table up for raffle for Parrotfest. Tickets are \$10 each to win table 208 (valued at \$120).

The Hobby Chor led us in song.

Bill Keays motioned to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Gene Barton. The motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary Munster  
Recording Secretary