

**Polish American Club**  
**Minutes from the Board of Trustees Meeting**

November 15, 2016  
7:00pm

**Type of Meeting:** Board of Trustees

**Expected Attendees:**

**President:** Agnieszka Albrycht

**Trustee:** Janet Baker

**Secretary:** Helena Rempala

**Absent: Treasurer:** Grzegorz Łęcki (sick)

- I. Minutes from the last meeting were approved.**
- II. Financial Report: The Treasurer was sick and unable to provide us with the report.**
- III. Open issues :**

- Evaluation of the International Festival: As expected the 2016 festival was even smaller than last year's. Ukrainians, Swedes, Russians did not attend. The Federation of Planets, some insurance companies and other paid participants replaced them. We were pleased with the entertainment that was running non-stop and was of good quality. Our Lisiecki Brothers opened the festival. We had to rely on Gregory Rempala's post-docs and students and on a few wonderful, reliable PAC volunteers to fill the slots at the table. The second day of the Festival no children came to the parade. The Board concluded that in its present form and size the Festival is no longer fulfilling the statutory mission of the Club of promoting Polish Culture among its members and American public and voted to replace our participation in the Columbus Festival with the Dublin's International Festival. We were issued an invitation to participate this year in the Festival in October in Dublin but we had to decline due to prior commitment to the IF.

Helena will draft a letter informing members of the Board's decision asking for the member's input.

- report from the school activities: Agnes is booking the room. Only one family paid the tuition. We will ask for the tuition to be paid at Wigilia.

- update on printing and sending out the bulletin to members: Janet is collecting the info and working on it. In the best scenario the bulletin will be sent out in early December and copies will be available at Wigilia.

- Updates for Ostatki: The dance is scheduled for 2/25/2017, band reserved. No further updates necessary. Of course the event will be listed in the bulletin.

- Wigilia is scheduled on 12-18-16. Mass will be moved to the Wigilia venue and will replace any artistic programs, except for Kolędy.

Agnes: program for the Wigilia, table clothes, utensils, check the “stain glass window” if needed repairs and ask its author for help as needed.

Basia: artistic help with the center pieces (need to ask her if she will be willing to help).

Janet: copy of the bulletin

Helena: drinks, state of PAC address for Agnes (and her in English)

Grzes: raffle, collecting money at the door, preparing a short financial report.

Zbyszek: musical background.

Diakonia: Kolędy and Mass

All: help with set up and clean up.

- PAC Social: not discussed.

- Book Club: first Club had 3 members (Lorraine, her husband, and Janet.) Next one is scheduled for after the new year. Helena will email Lorraine to confirm.

- Ewa Modzelewska’s findings: Did not discuss.

#### **IV. New business:**

- Change in church venue and time: We will be meeting at the Holy Family at 2pm.
- Political involvement: not discussed

**V. Any news from members:** privacy issues with pictures being posted. One of our members was upset with her pictures being on the PAC website from one of the Social.

The idea is to include a disclaimer when people sign up to the Club to allow everyone to indicate if they allow or not allow posting their pictures from PAC sponsored events on the internet or a disclaimer that their pictures may be posted on the internet. Issue left for further discussion.

**VI. Adjournment: Next Meeting: 12/20/16 7:00PM at the Tremont Library.**