



TANGO SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA [TSoM] BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 26, 2022, 8:00-9:30 a.m.

Location: Via Zoom

Present: Cathy Petersen, Cino Adelson, Eduardo Drake, Fran Howley, Kathya Dawe, Sandra Agustin, Shannon Carson, Terri Davis, Jack Levi, Mary McKeon **Absent:** 0 **Guest:** Scott Chase, Rob Peterson

1. Approve May Agenda
2. Approve April Minutes with amendments
3. Treasurer's Report for May (Shannon) (Rob Peterson)
59 attendees at May Milonga
Revenue from this first practica was \$258.00 (18 count single-session admissions and 3 count 10-pac session admissions at \$50.00 each. Rent expense for the practica space of \$580.00 was paid during May. This rent amount pays for 12 weeks of practica space. With revenue of \$258.00 and expense of \$580.00, the May net loss for the practica was \$322.00. PayPal transaction fees related to practica-session purchases were \$13.05.

May 2022 net loss:

- \$	161.00	May 2022 milonga
- \$	322.00	May 2022 practica sessions
+\$	300.00	Membership payments (12 total)
- \$	3.15	PayPal fees - milonga purchases
- \$	10.88	PayPal fees - renewals
- \$	13.05	PayPal fees - practica purchases
- \$	25.00	Website hosting expense
+\$	1.00	Cash over/short
+\$	234.08	May 2022 net loss

05/26/2022 YTD net loss is \$30.29

05/26/2022 Checking account balance: \$2,071.42

05/26/2022 Savings account balance: \$9,545.64

4. Membership Committee: Cino a letter has been drafted to send members inviting them to participate for activation in June.
5. Milonga Committee Update: Sandy June venue has been secured, but musicians are yet to be determined. The committee will be involved with food, decorations, etc. The board will be involved with contracts. Future milongas are well developed for 2022

due to Fran's actions. Cino recommended we consider adding long term planning to our agenda each month.

6. Membership Report – Kathya: Current up to date membership: 112 (anybody with membership expiring May/2022 and later)

Since last board meeting:

7 NEW members

19 renewals

Total: 25

Not renewed to this date:

5 members expiring in May 2022

9 members expired in April 2022

4 members expired in March 2022

7. Northrop Amplifying Solidarity – Cathy: July 2022 from 12 – 1 pm with Charles Grysinski Quartet. Instructors will be invited to participate.
8. JULY 9th: Argentine Independence Day TOM'S PLACE - Fran: Tamara and Liliana advised that there's an Argentine Association will have a concert at a restaurant. Tamara and Liliana will be participating in both the TSoM dance and the Argentine Association's event. Jack suggested we might have a pop up milonga at one of the Argentinian restaurants.
9. Eventbrite – Eduardo: added to agenda as discussion item. Fran assigned research task to Eduardo and Shannon to determine if we should begin using them for ticketing.
10. Practica SUCCESS - Jack, Sandy: Michael & Renee, Lois, Rebecca, and Lois have all agreed to come to the practicas for the next series. A question was posed by Sabina: How are we going to get more dancers?
11. Don Rowe - who in TSoM could train in as an assistant – Fran: Recommend he have a lifetime membership or get into all milongas for free and/or Tango Treasure Recognition. Eduardo recommended Paul be recognized for sending the TSoM newsletter. Fran has been handling the newsletter while Paul has been out of town in April and May. Kathya recommended we continue the conversation to determine our recognition. Action: Cino will advertise this through the membership committee. Eduardo and Kathya volunteered to help with the TSoM website. Don is not yet planning to leave – there's a need for someone to act as a backup.
12. TSOM plan a river cruise – Jack: There's a need for 65-75 people to sign up to generate about \$300 in revenue. It was normally held in August, but TSoM is already booked for August. The earliest date would be September. Discussion centered



around whether the board has bandwidth, then Eduardo added the question “how does this fit into our mission?” He’s in favor of outward facing instead of inward facing, like a cruise. Eduardo is creating a Milonga Pop-up Calendar with the hope of creating a public outreach event at least 1 event every month.

13. TSoM and participation in the Minneapolis Dinner in White on June 25 – Eduardo: It was a lot of work to create the ambience (chairs, dance floor, music, lights) and Terri coordinated a 2nd team. Jack suggested combining Mala Yunta with the June 25th event. **Motion:** Fran moves TSoM undertake participation in the Minneapolis Dinner with Eduardo’s lead. Sandy seconded, unanimous vote.
14. Forward to June meeting:
 - Waiver form as part of renewal and new membership – Fran: OR TO ALL MEMBERS?
 - Magnetic Name tags:
15. Meeting adjourned at 9:33

Next Virtual Meeting June 26, 2022 8:00 - 9:30 AM

Sandy made a motion that TSoM move forward on the request to partner with Alliance Française, requiring all in attendance follow TSOM COVID-19 requirements of proof of vaccination with masks as an optional and individual choice. Kathya seconded the motion. The motion passed 9 yea to 1 no.