



## TANGO SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA [TSOM] BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 25, 2017 - 7:00 pm

Location: Uptown Lunds-Byerly's Community Room  
1450 W. Lake Street, Minneapolis, MN 55408

**Present:** Natalie Aiello, Gregory Bringman, Scott Chase, Terri Davis, Suzanne Doyle,  
Terry Holten, Paul Lohman, Corinne O'Neil, Ray Shudy  
**Absent:** Barbara Haselbeck, Linda McFadden, Jennifer Wang  
**Non Board:** Don Rowe

- Introductions
- Approved Agenda
- April Minutes approved
- Review of May Milonga - 34 Attendees and a loss of \$136.02.
- June 10<sup>th</sup> Milonga
  - Location: Triune Masonic
  - MC: Paul Lohman (Terry Holten)
  - Food: Linda McFadden
  - DJ: Lois Donnay
  - Lesson: Bruce Abas
  - Demo: Oscar Casas & Lois Donnay

Paul Lohman noted that Lois Donnay had offered to do a performance with Oscar Casas at the June Milonga. Scott Chase suggested recording the demo (with permission) and posting it as the video of the month. Board agreed.

**ACTION:** Paul will talk to Lois about the number of Casas demo dances to be performed.

**ACTION:** Don Rowe will check with Lois to determine if the Oscar Casas demo dances can be recorded and posted on the TSOM website.
- Food Budget – Suzanne Doyle discussed recent problems with the Milonga food budget. Suzanne had already discussed the issue with Jennifer Wang prior to the board meeting. Board members discussed ways to potentially cut the food costs, but was agreed to instead increase the food budget.  
**MOTION:** Terri Davis made a motion to raise the Milonga food budget to \$60. Passed.  
**ACTION:** Terri will update the Food Budget Process to \$60.

- July Milonga – Paul Lohman discussed the timing conflict between the July 8<sup>th</sup> Milonga and the Fabina Salas workshops in Rochester. Paul also noted there was a Milonga being planned on Friday July 7<sup>th</sup> at the Triune, and all agreed that attendance at a Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup> Milonga would be low. Terri Davis recommended sending out an email canceling the July 8<sup>th</sup> Milonga and encouraging all to attend the Friday night Milonga and the Rochester events. All agreed that the email should be sent out after the June 10<sup>th</sup> Milonga to avoid confusion. Suzanne Doyle noted that she would need to notify the teacher and DJ ASAP.

MOTION: Suzanne Doyle made a motion to cancel the July 8<sup>th</sup> Milonga. Passed.

ACTION: Paul will check with Michael Kane to see when the July 7<sup>th</sup> Milonga will be announced.

ACTION: Paul will talk to Kit Cusik about canceling the July 8<sup>th</sup> Milonga at the Triune.

ACTION: Terri will update the calendar and remove the July 8<sup>th</sup> Milonga.
- August Potluck – Paul Lohman proposed hosting an outside Milonga at the Wirth Pavilion on Friday August 4<sup>th</sup>, with a potluck picnic held outside on picnic tables. Paul offered to DJ the event, Suzanne Doyle offered to bring water, Corinne O'Neil and Terry Holten offered to bring plates, cups etc. Terri Davis also suggested hosting a future event at the Plymouth Hilde Performance Center; she will share information with Barbara Haselbeck.

MOTION: Paul Lohman made a motion to hold a Milonga/potluck on August 4<sup>th</sup> at the Wirth Pavilion. Passed.

ACTION: Paul will reserve the Wirth Pavilion for a Milonga/potluck on August 4<sup>th</sup>.

ACTION: Terri will share information on the Plymouth Hilde Performance Center with Barb.
- December Milonga – Paul Lohman checked with the Park Board and the Chalet is not available for the December Milonga. Paul will check other venues to determine what is available; suggestions included the Gale Mansion, and the Woman's Club.

ACTION: Paul will research locations for the December Milonga.
- Process Documents – Terry Holten provided an update on the Website Admin Process. An initial draft had been completed, and Don Rowe had reviewed and was providing corrections. Once Terry and Don are completed, they will share the process with Suzanne Doyle, and then the Board. Suzanne started that she was waiting for Jennifer Wang to provide the missing Vanguard information for the Treasurer Process.

ACTION: Terry and Don will complete the draft Website Admin Process, share with Suzanne, and then share with the board.
- Treasurer's Report - Jennifer Wang emailed the treasurer's report to the board and Paul Lohman noted that all looked good.
- Membership Update - Paul Lohman noted that the Mill City Opera event generated two new members.
- Tango Moments – Suzanne Doyle expressed her concern with the two column format. Paul Lohman passed Suzanne's column concerns onto Malena.Ink, Don Rowe noted that he was also involved.

- Mill City Opera Events - Paul Lohman provided an update on the Mill City Opera event.
  - Teachers:
    - Friday July 14<sup>th</sup> (Opening night) – Mill City Opera Instructor
    - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> – Sabine Ibes
    - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Diana Devi
    - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Lois Donnay
    - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> – Andrea DuCane
  - Comp Tickets:
    - Friday (Opening night) – 39 or 40 tickets have been distributed (60% followers)
    - Sunday thru Thursday - 10 to 12 tickets have been distributed each night
  - Swag: Paul Lohman noted that the swag is for non-tango dancers, and suggested that notepads or post-its might be most appropriate. The board discussed the pros and cons related to the proposed swag options, including notebooks, notepads, post-its, mints, fans, and microfiber cloths.  
MOTION: Terri Davis made a motion to acquire the 3x6 notepads. Passed.  
ACTION: Paul will order the 3x6 notepads using the long TSOM logo on the top, and the website address at the bottom.
  - Program Ad: Paul Lohman reviewed the proposed TSOM ad for the Mill City event; all agreed that the ad was good to go.  
ACTION: Paul will send the TSOM Ad to Mill City Opera.
  
- 2017 Venue Contracts – Paul Lohman has been actively contacting Kit Cusik, but has not yet received a signed contract.  
ACTION: Paul will continue to contact Kit and finalize the Triune contract.
  
- TSoM Outreach Committee
  - Paul Lohman recapped the Can Can Wonderland event, said it was a fun time and that Can Can appeared to be open to doing it again.
  - Don Rowe detailed the Hopkins Glen Lake Elementary School event. He said the kids did a simulated trip around the world to Argentina, Avery and Rebecca performed, and the teacher (Cheryl Jones) would like them to come back next year.
  - Don recognized Lois Donnay as always being extremely helpful and available to assist.
  - Don noted that he was formally resigning as the TSOM Events Coordinator, stating that he was happy to pass his responsibilities onto Barbara Haselbeck.
  
- Web Site Update
  - Scott Chase has provided a video and description for the next video of the month
  - Don Rowe and Paul Lohman discussed issues with the website email addresses, and agreed to review and reduce the number of addresses.  
ACTION: Don and Paul will meet to review and cleanup the website addresses.
  
- Next meeting: Thursday June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Uptown Lunds & Byerlys (1450 Lake Street) Community Room

Respectfully submitted, Terry Holten, Secretary

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