



TANGO SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA [TSOM] BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 24, 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, Linda McFadden, Paul Lohman, Corinne O'Neil, Ray Shudy

Absent: Barbara Haselbeck, Jennifer Wang

- Introductions
- Paul Lohman added December Milonga live music, and Scott Chase added Desperados sound system, the Board approved the modified Agenda.
- Scott Chase requested that the July Minutes be modified to indicate that he brought the sound system to the August Potluck, the Board approved the modified July Minutes.
- Review of August Potluck - 54 Attendees and a profit of \$36.00.
Paul Lohman asked if the Board approved of the venue (The Wirth Pavilion), and all indicated approval. Only negative mentioned was the uphill walk from the parking lot. Because the Park Board venues are popular, Paul will check on availability for a 2018 first Friday Potluck.
ACTION: Paul Lohman will determine if the Wirth Pavilion is available for a 2018 Potluck.
- Review of August Milonga - 62 Attendees and a profit of \$59.49.
 - Paul Lohman stated that the TSOM Milongas are averaging 60 attendees.
 - Natalie Aiello discussed MC responsibilities, including TSOM emails and Facebook notifications. Discussed the timing of TSOM announcements, and was suggested that they be sent out after the David Rost Milonga to avoid confusion. Also noted that the Facebook event has to be sent from the TSOM Facebook page. Discussed Board members responding to the Facebook event in order to get the TSOM event back up to the top of the page.
 - Paul asked MCs to contact the Teachers in advance, and remind them that they are responsible to bring their own music for the lesson. The Teachers do not need to provide a sound system, just a computer or iPod, or phone with music on it.
- September 9th Milonga
 - Location: Virginia Street Church
 - MC: Corrine O'Neil (Jennifer Wang)
 - Food: Barb Haselbeck
 - Teacher: Sabine Ibes
 - DJ: Niko Salgado

Suzanne Doyle warned Corrine O’Neil that Virginia Street Church is difficult to set up, and that she will need help as the tables are heavy. Suzanne also suggested taking photos upon arrival, so that everything can be returned to its correct location.

- TSoM Sound system

- Paul Lohman stated that at the last Milonga, the TSOM sound system stopped working. Paul is meeting with Michael Kane to determine if it can be repaired. The Desperados sound system is available for the September Milonga if needed.
- Scott Chase discussed TSOM renting the Desperados sound system, as opposed to purchasing a new TSOM system.
- Scott also suggested that TSOM and Desperados could merge, and the Monday night Practica could become the TSOM Practica. Paul questioned if Michael Kane would want the Desperados to become part of TSOM. Paul also indicated that he did not want to increase the TSOM Board member’s workload.

ACTION: Paul Lohman will determine if the TSOM sound system is repairable.

- December Milonga

- Paul Lohman stopped at the Columbia Manor, the December Milonga venue. He noted that the floor was sticky, and that he would ask the Park Board to clean the floor prior to the event.
- Paul also discussed the tradition of live music. Paul talked to Bob Barnes and asked if it would be possible for Bob to pull together past band members for the holiday event. Bob was willing, but stated that that would increase the fee.

MOTION: Terri Davis made a motion to hire Bob Barnes at the increased rate, with supplemental funds from the Desperados. Passed.

- Process Documents

- Treasurer

Suzanne Doyle talked to Jennifer Wang about the incomplete Vanguard section.

- Website Administration

Terry Holten communicated that she is waiting for Don Rowe to have enough time to meet and complete the Website Administration document. Missing sections would include “How to update the website”, and “Emergency Contact information”.

Terry indicated that it would also be helpful to document all components of the website. (IE Dream Host, Word Press Divi Builder etc.)

Terry also would like to document Terri Davis, Paul Lohman, and Jennifer Wang’s website access and related responsibilities (Not including any secure data such as passwords etc.)

Gregory Bringman will send Terry Contact information for the Dream Host website, and noted that Jennifer Wang should have billing account information.

ACTION: Terry Holten will meet with Done Rowe to finalize the website documentation.

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ACTION: Gregory Bringman will send Terry Holten contact information for Dream Host.

- Website

- Paul Lohman would like to advertise the “Free Tango Lesson” on the TSOM Home page, and the Next Milonga page. Paul will contact Don Rowe to discuss.

ACTION: Paul Lohman will contact Don Rowe about adding “Free Tango Lesson” to website.

- Linda McFadden communicated for Don Rowe who was unable to attend, the subscription to Word Press needs to be renewed, and the related cost was \$60 annually.
MOTION: Linda McFadden made a motion to pay \$60 for the Word Press renewal. Passed.

- Treasurer's Report

In the treasurer's financial report email, Jennifer noted that she was reporting income and expenses on "Opera Nights", "Picnic Milonga" and "2nd Sat Milonga" respectively. The executive summary was slightly different than those reports generated from Quicken due to the late payments. She was also sending a revised July report as one transaction was omitted from the original one. Paul Lohman had questions on the Financials and will discuss with Jennifer Wang.

ACTION: Paul Lohman will contact Jennifer Wang with financial questions.

- Membership Update

Paul Lohman stated that there are currently 147 TSOM members.

- TSoM Outreach Committee

- Paul Lohman communicated that Barb Haselbeck and Michael Kane are looking into a Richfield block/street event, and an event at Pracna on the Main.
- Paul also stated that he was looking for a used portable dance floor.
- Suzanne Doyle questioned why the TSOM Milonga only drew in on average, 50 TSOM members. Corrine O'Neil suggested that there are probably potential conflicts. Terry Holten stated that the Milongas start too late for some members.

- Next meeting: Thursday September 21st at the Uptown Lunds & Byerlys (1450 Lake Street) Community Room. Paul Lohman noted that he will be out of town for the meeting, and will need someone else to lead the September and October meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Terry Holten, Secretary

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