

Our Mission is to celebrate, support, and nurture a creative and thriving Argentine tango community.

Minutes Board

July 21, 2024, 5:30 – 6:15 PM

Present: Cathy Petersen, Dan Browning, Gerald Girouard, Joe Bowman, Rob Peterson, Susan Radtke, Terry Holten, Cino Adelson, Luke Doskey, Connie Cohen | **Absent: 0** | **Guest:** Fran Howley

1. July 2024 Agenda: Approved with more time for Treasurer's Report

2. June 2024 Minutes: Approved

3. Treasurer's Report (Rob) July

The Saturday, July 13th milonga party was canceled due to weather, but there were expenses total \$359.09 (Venue - \$94.85, Band cancelation - \$200.00, and PayPal fees - \$2.24.). The venue expense was prepaid. July 2024 revenue from the weekly practica series was \$780 with \$796.92 in expenses for a net loss of \$16.92. There were 163 attendees, an average weekly number of 33 attendees. July Membership income totaled \$216.84. Membership expenses totaled \$8.16 due to PayPal fees. In July 2024 we incurred \$55.27 for other expenses. Net Income:

- \$ 359.09 Milonga
+ \$ 94.85 Prepaid Rent
- \$ 16.92 Practica Sessions
+ \$ 216.84 Membership Payments
- \$ 55.27 Operational Expense
- \$ 119.59 Net Income

7/22/2024

Checking account: \$3,781.68

Savings account: \$16,848.24

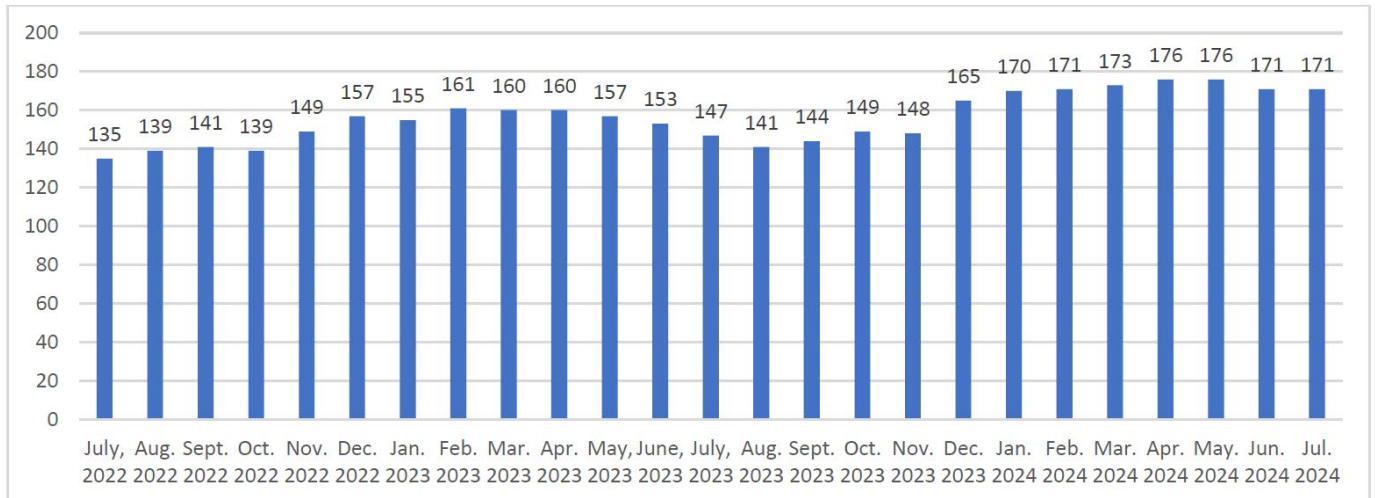
Cash account: \$335

Total: \$20,964.92

The July 2024 milonga cancellation was discussed; there was a suggestion to have a back up location that we can use in the event of inclement weather when the primary venue is a picnic shelter or something similar.

4. Membership Report (Susan)

July 20, 2024: Total Members



Code of Conduct: Susan

A report was submitted by Susan on 7/20, which is an update on last month’s report and action steps (included at end of doc for reference). All proposed steps have been implemented except for legal review by Jim Dunn.

All documents are currently up on the website and can be found at:

<https://mntango.org/a-guide-to-happy-dancing/>

<https://mntango.org/milonga-etiquette/>

<https://mntango.org/milonga-incident-reporting/>

Don set up a word press form for the incident report form so any incident reports will automatically be sent to Gerry, Terry, and Susan.

Cino’s report on 7.19.24 membership meeting

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Dylan Welsch dtwelsch@gmail.com 636-466-4074 (2024-2026)
- Cino Adelson cinoadel@aol.com 612-508-9941 (2020-2024)
- Julie Yang yangx193@umn.edu 651-206-0686 (2024-2025)
- Anna Fu annalfu@gmail.com (2024-2025)
- Sandra Uri sandrajoyuri@gmail.com 612-518-2517 (2020—2025) (unable to attend)

- Reviewed our charter, didn’t change anything
- Discussed ways to increase TSoM membership. Noted that our committee members don’t know who is/isn’t a member and would like to see a membership list to help committee members encourage people to join at milongas.
- Discussed ways to welcome and engage with new and more isolated people at milongas and practicas.
- Discussed possibility of offering a series of free classes Spring 2025 to increase interest in tango.

- Will rebuild the ‘benefits of membership’ list in the next month and keep at the gate for gatekeepers and welcomers to use to encourage nonmembers to join.

5. Gala Update (Fran)

Almost every T is crossed and every I is dotted. The time currently start time with appetizers is 7:30 pm. Paul is the DJ and Charles’ band will play. The food is ordered for a budget of \$4,000. Parking is plentiful on the street. Rob has done the ticket set-up and sales for 2 years. There was a discussion about whether to offer ticket sales at the door, preferably not cash by using QR code or Venmo. The dance floor is brand new and gorgeous. The committee includes Fran, Sandra, and Janeen. One big thing that hasn’t been finalized is the furniture setup that will be arranged by Janeen. Fran suggested that students be given free entrance in exchange for helping with various tasks, which was supported in general discussion. Terry will take on as action item - payment at the door.

6. Creating a Nominating Committee (Gerry)

Gerry mentioned there are 5 board members departing. Fran stated that there is a system, and that the chair of the committee is not a board member. Susan volunteered to assist in setting up the system for recruiting new board members. Fran and Gerry volunteered to work with Susan on the process of recruiting new board members. Terry, Cino, Rob, Cathy, Joe, and Connie will be leaving the board Jan 2025.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Board Meeting Aug 26, 2024 - 5:30 – 7:00 pm