

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

Minutes Board

September 23, 2024, 5:30 – 6:15 PM

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

1. September 2024 Agenda: Approved
2. August 2024 Minutes: Approved
3. Treasurer's Report (Rob) August
The September 14th milonga receipts of \$421.00 and expenses of \$469.37 produced a net loss of \$48.37 for this event. Total attendance: 43
September 2024 revenue from the weekly practica series was \$467 with \$81.87 in expenses for a net gain of \$385.13. There were 101 attendees for this reporting period for an average weekly number of 25 attendees. In September, membership revenue totaled \$173.64. Membership expenses totaled \$1.36 due to PayPal fees. In September 2024 we incurred \$169.12 in other expenses.

Net Income:

- \$ 48.37 Milonga
- + \$ 385.13 practica Sessions
- + \$ 173.64 Membership Payments
- \$ 169.12 Operational Expense
- + \$ 341.28 Net Income

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Checking balance: \$5,117.77

Savings balance: \$16,848.16

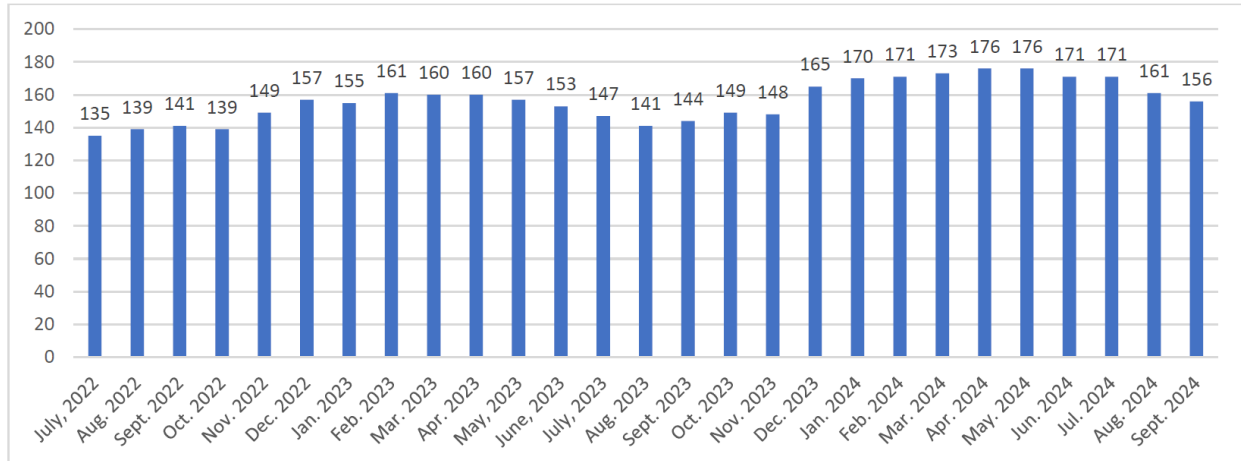
Cash balance: \$335

Total: \$22,300.93

Additional Points: Six members renewed at the gate and were given free admission in contradiction to the current practice (no free admission the month of renewal, instead a free milonga for all members in January). As a result, there was a missed opportunity to collect \$72 in admission fees. Board discussed options to redress and decided the gatekeeper will reach out to the members who were mistakenly granted free admission to inform of the mistake, but no further action will be taken. Also, the following has been added to the gatekeeper instructions:

Members who renew at the gate **ARE NOT GRANTED FREE ADMISSION** because all members receive a free milonga in January.

- Membership Report (Susan)
Sept. 23, 2024: Total Members 156



Issue discussed: A TSoM teacher posting regularly on TSoM news is not a current member of TSoM (expiration date July 8, 2024). According to the TSoM website, this teacher is no longer eligible to send out messages to our membership via TSoM news. Terry will contact this teacher to let them know they are no longer eligible to send TSoM news messages.

- Nominating Committee Discussion (Gerry/Susan)
There are five committee members: Committee Members: Fran Howley, chair, Susan Radtke, Gerry Giroud, Sandy Agustin, and Barb Haselbeck. The first meeting of the Nomination Committee occurred Tuesday, September 17 at 6 p.m. The committee prioritized the candidate list and brainstormed language to use in the invitation conversation. The next meeting is October 8. Full meeting notes were distributed to the board.
- Kian Dwyer Seed Grant application. The motion did not carry after discussion. A new motion was made to ask Kian to rework the proposal to fund an open free class to give exposure to the visiting instructors and hopefully build interest in attending the workshop. The new motion was approved with six yeases and one abstention.
- Gala update – Gerry reviewed Fran’s report on financial commitments and payments to date. He will send Fran’s report to the full board.
- Andrea’s and Rebecca’s U of MN Tango Class (Gerry) – information only – University of Minnesota students will be granted free admission to the October and November milongas.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Board Meeting Oct 28, 2024 - 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Motion made via email:

Gerry moved that there be a vote on the revised grant application submitted by Kian D. TSoM board voted:

Rob, Dan – abstain

Terry, Joe - No

Cathy, Cino, Connie, Gerry, Luke, Susan – yes

Cathy wrote an email to the board recommending that Kian provide TSoM a short report identifying how many new folks attended; Cino & Luke support this idea as long as it's not burdensome.

Motion passed.