

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

## Board Minutes

October 28, 2024, 5:30 – 6:10 PM

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

1. October 2024 Agenda: Approved
2. September 2024 Minutes: Approved
3. Treasurer's Report (Rob) September: Approved  
October 12th milonga party receipts of \$718.00 and expenses of \$1,079.55 produced a net loss of \$361.55. Total attendance: 77

October 2024 revenue from the weekly practica series was \$554 with \$768.01 in expenses for a net loss of \$214.01. There were 108 members, 23 non-members, and nine free entries for this reporting period for an average weekly number of 28 attendees in this reporting period.

October membership revenue totaled \$457.57.

October 2024 Net Income:

- \$ 361.55 Milonga
- \$ 214.01 Practica Sessions
- + \$ 457.57 Membership Payments
- \$ 13.00 Operational Expense
- \$ 130.99 Net Income

10/28/2024

Checking balance: \$4,986.96

Savings balance: \$16,848.16

Cash balance: \$335

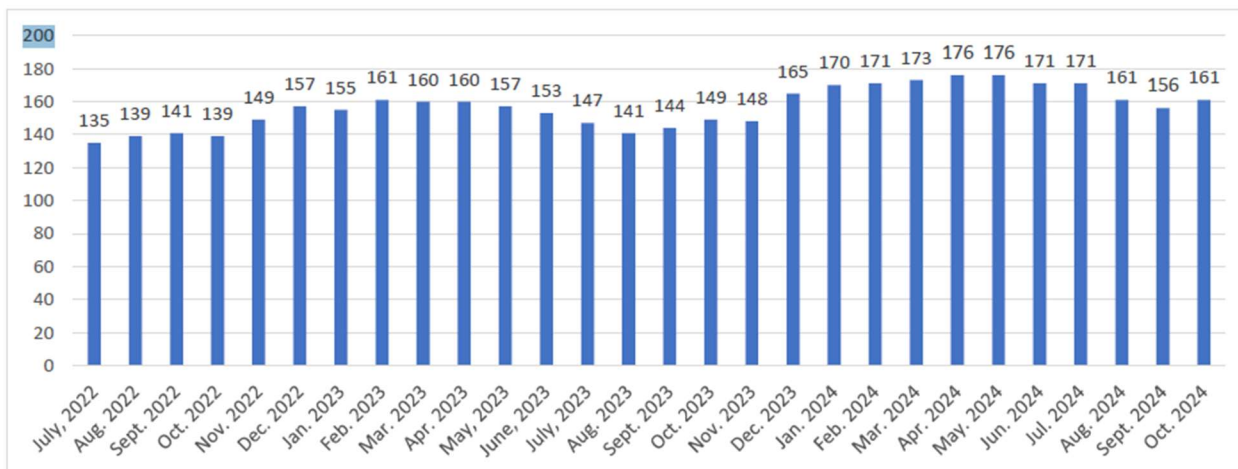
Total: \$22,170.12

Additional Point:

Center for Performing Arts rent will increase by 34% over the 2024 rent payable at \$676/qtr. There was general agreement to seek alternative locations for the Saturday practica. Gerry suggested that we consider locking it in for 2 years. The new qtrly rent will be \$906 or \$3523/year with a start date of 1/1/2025. Rob has contacted CFPA about the rental increase, but

he has not heard back. Gerry suggested that he be included in a 2<sup>nd</sup> email to CFPA to have a conversation about the rental agreement.

4. Membership Report (Susan) October 28, 2024  
Total Members 161



5. Nominating Committee Discussion (Susan)

There are a total of 9 that were invited to join the board. Brandon Grant, Jennifer Holt, and Shandy Manga-Potes have said yes to joining the board. There are 3 that are maybe's and 3 no's. 1 more contacted the committee to volunteer.

6. Gala update – Gerry spoke with Fran, and all is on schedule. A save the date notice was sent to the membership.

7. Consent Agenda format (Gerry)

Consent Agendas - The consent agenda is a tool used to streamline meeting procedures by collecting routine, non-controversial items into a group whereby all are passed with a single motion and vote. This method has grown in popularity in recent years and there are many variations on the theme to meet specific needs. In some meetings, the actual items to be placed on each consent agenda are selected by policy. In others, an agenda committee chooses the consent items. The presiding officer announces the items on the consent agenda, asks if any item should be removed, then declares the consent agenda adopted unless there's objection.

Commonly, no debate is allowed on the consent agenda or on any item included in it. In some organizations, the motion for adoption must receive unanimous approval. Consent items may be read by title only in the body of a single consent agenda resolution. However, any director can have an item removed from the consent agenda for separate consideration. The remainder of the consent agenda can be voted on, omitting the challenged items.

Discussion: This can be a time saver, which will allow time for discussion on weightier matters. It was mentioned that it seems we're on this path already. It was recommended the

treasurer's report be excluded from this process. The outstanding question is whether our by-laws allow us to adopt this practice; if not, they need to be amended.

8. How to on-board new board members to be welcomed, valued, and effective asap? (Gerry)  
Gerry asked us as board members to email him about our experiences as new board members, what worked, what was missing, and anything else. Susan has begun the process of emailing new board members to welcome them. Discussion ensued about providing access to the TSoM google drive, who does what on the board by role – work flow chart, access to the by-laws, roles and responsibilities of including positions such as treasurer, secretary, membership. Possibly having a get together prior to 1<sup>st</sup> board meeting and/or retreat.

Connie noted that she's reserving spaces for 2025 and identifying DJs for each month.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Board Meeting Nov 25, 2024 - 5:30 – 6:10 pm