



FEBRUARY 2026 TSOM MEETING MINUTES

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

Board Minutes

Monday, February 9, 2026 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Present: Jennifer J. Holt, Ronda Seifert, Clay Van De Bogart, Jack Ng, Julie Yang, and Gerry Girouard

Not present: Kathleen Hannon, Carl McMullen, Namita Vatsa Eveloy **Guest:** 0

Agenda & Meeting Minutes

Consent agenda:

Ronda moved to approve the February Agenda, the December 2025 Meeting Minutes, and January 2026 Meeting Minutes Clay seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Membership/Practica/Milonga Statistics Report

ACTION: Jennifer will speak with the two absent board members about the differences in their membership reporting so that these meeting minutes can be updated.

REPORTS

TREASURY REPORT (Namita provided ahead of meeting)

January 2026 Treasurer Report

Executive Summary

Practica

We began the year with a negative balance due to the annual CFPA prepayment. January income totaled \$475, while expenses were \$3,411.05, resulting in a monthly loss of \$2,936.05. We had eighty-two members attend practica in January.

Membership

We had nine membership payments this month which totaled a revenue of \$225, less PayPal fees of \$11.26. This resulted in revenue of \$213.74. All payments were in PayPal, and one was in cash at practica.

Admin Expenses

We had admin expenses of \$35.00 for Club Express fees and \$26.50 for MailChimp, and a reimbursement for \$39.98 to Don Rowe for the domain. In addition, there were



expenses for the January Board Retreat. Our total admin expenses for January were \$312.78. This includes \$200 damage deposit which should be refunded. (but Jennifer did not receive this damage deposit)

Gala Expenses

No Gala expenses for 2026 yet. However, huge commendations to the Gala committee of 2025 for breaking even on the Gala. That is hard to do with an event of this scale.

Other items:

TSOM needs support to do non-profit taxes for 2025. If there is a member who would like to step up to offer their services that would be welcome.

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FINANCIALS	January	2026 Total
Practica		
Income	\$ 475.00	\$ 475.00
Expense	\$ (3,411.05)	\$ (3,411.05)
Net gain/loss	\$ (2,936.05)	\$ (2,936.05)
Milonga		
Income	\$ -	\$ -
Expense	\$ (426.37)	\$ (426.37)
Net gain/loss	\$ (426.37)	\$ (426.37)
Membership		\$ -
Income	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00
Expense	\$ (11.26)	\$ (11.26)
Net gain/loss	\$ 213.74	\$ 213.74
Admin		\$ -
Monthly Admin expense	\$ (312.78)	\$ (312.78)
Net gain/loss	\$ (312.78)	\$ (312.78)
Gala		\$ -
Location		\$ -
Music		\$ -
Catering		\$ -
Supplies		\$ -
Net/Gain Loss		\$ -
MONTHLY TOTALS		
Gala		
Practica	\$ (2,936.05)	\$ (2,936.05)
Milonga	\$ (426.37)	\$ (426.37)
Membership	\$ 213.74	\$ 213.74
Admin	\$ (312.78)	\$ (312.78)
TOTALS	\$ (3,461.46)	\$ (3,461.46)
Checking Balance	\$ 3,616.06	
Savings Balance	\$ 16,850.69	

ANNUAL TREASURE REPORT (Namita provided ahead of meeting)

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FINANCIALS	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	2025 TOTALS
Practica													
Income	\$ 390.00	\$ 537.00	\$ 797.00	\$ 521.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 705.00	\$ 574.00	\$ 709.00	\$ 391.30	\$ 460.00	\$ 668.00	\$ 968.00	\$ 7,200.30
Expense	\$ (936.22)	\$ (84.52)	\$ (92.05)	\$ (1,035.89)	\$ (1.73)	\$ (101.25)	\$ (1,029.32)	\$ (87.35)	\$ (2.77)	\$ (1,147.73)	\$ (7.00)	\$ (14.06)	\$ (4,539.89)
Net gain/loss	\$ (546.22)	\$ 452.48	\$ 704.95	\$ (514.89)	\$ 478.27	\$ 603.75	\$ (455.32)	\$ 621.65	\$ 388.53	\$ (687.73)	\$ 661.00	\$ 953.94	\$ 2,660.41
Milonga													
Income	\$ 5.00	\$ 442.00	\$ 504.00	\$ 330.00	\$ -	\$ 821.00	\$ 478.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 929.00	\$ 970.00	\$ 760.00	\$ -	\$ 5,959.00
Expense	\$ (470.00)	\$ (552.17)	\$ (704.28)	\$ (421.18)	Net gain/loss	\$ (1,803.18)	\$ (227.05)	\$ (161.34)	\$ (1,234.29)	\$ (901.16)	\$ (759.33)	\$ 0.00	\$ (7,233.98)
Net gain/loss	\$ (465.00)	\$ (110.17)	\$ (200.28)	\$ (91.18)	\$ -	\$ (982.18)	\$ 250.95	\$ 558.66	\$ (305.29)	\$ 68.84	\$ 0.67	\$ -	\$ (1,274.98)
Membership													
Income	\$ 460.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 215.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,050.00
Expense	\$ (13.60)	\$ (0.91)	\$ (13.60)	\$ (14.96)	\$ (11.89)	\$ (14.96)	\$ (6.80)	\$ (8.16)	\$ (5.44)	\$ 15.10	\$ (20.40)	\$ (10.88)	\$ (106.50)
Net gain/loss	\$ 446.40	\$ 74.09	\$ 311.40	\$ 260.04	\$ 203.11	\$ 260.04	\$ 118.20	\$ 191.84	\$ 194.56	\$ 340.10	\$ 354.60	\$ 189.12	\$ 2,943.50
Admin													
Monthly Admin expense	\$ -	\$ (19.50)	\$ (304.43)	\$ (921.20)	\$ (20.00)	\$ (1,154.53)	\$ (4.45)	\$ (57.05)	\$ (74.08)	\$ (74.08)	\$ (35.00)	\$ (120.98)	\$ (2,785.30)
Prepaid rent		\$ (206.25)											\$ (206.25)
Net gain/loss	\$ -	\$ (225.75)	\$ (304.43)	\$ (921.20)	\$ (20.00)	\$ (1,154.53)	\$ (4.45)	\$ (57.05)	\$ (74.08)	\$ (74.08)	\$ (200.23)	\$ (120.98)	\$ (3,156.78)
Gala													
Security				\$ -						\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Gala Catering				\$ (1,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						\$ (920.04)
Gala Revenue													\$ 5,385.75
Murzyn Hall security deposit	\$ (800.00)												\$ 800.00
Music													\$ (1,000.00)
Supplies													\$ (246.84)
Ticket/Tailor Fees													\$ (2.55)
Murzyn Hall													\$ (2,359.30)
Net Gain/loss	\$ (800.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,728.73)
MONTHLY TOTALS													
Gala	\$ (800.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,728.73)
Practica	\$ (546.22)	\$ 452.48	\$ 704.95	\$ (514.89)	\$ 478.27	\$ 603.75	\$ (455.32)	\$ 621.65	\$ 388.53	\$ (687.73)	\$ 661.00	\$ 953.94	\$ 2,660.41
Milonga	\$ (465.00)	\$ (110.17)	\$ (200.28)	\$ (91.18)	\$ -	\$ (982.18)	\$ 250.95	\$ 558.66	\$ (305.29)	\$ 68.84	\$ 0.67	\$ -	\$ (1,274.98)
Membership	\$ 446.40	\$ 74.09	\$ 311.40	\$ 260.04	\$ 203.11	\$ 260.04	\$ 118.20	\$ 191.84	\$ 194.56	\$ 340.10	\$ 354.60	\$ 189.12	\$ 2,943.50

Admin	\$ -	\$ (225.75)	\$ (304.43)	\$ (921.20)	\$ (20.00)	\$ (1,154.53)	\$ (4.45)	\$ (57.05)	\$ (74.08)	\$ (74.08)	\$ (200.23)	\$ (120.98)	\$ (3,156.78)
TOTALS	\$ (1,364.82)	\$ 190.65	\$ 511.64	\$ (2,267.23)	\$ 661.38	\$ (1,272.92)	\$ (90.62)	\$ 1,315.10	\$ 203.72	\$ (352.87)	\$ 816.04	\$ 1,022.08	\$ (627.85)
Checking Balance	\$ 6,645.74	\$ 5,670.86	\$ 6,183.01	\$ 3,534.45	\$ 3,986.53	\$ 2,821.44	\$ 2,371.40	\$ 3,883.38	\$ 4,447.52	\$ 1,104.82	\$ 4,200.60	\$ 5,595.34	\$ 5,595.34
Savings Balance	\$ 16,849.00	\$ 16,849.00	\$ 16,849.42	\$ 16,849.42	\$ 16,849.42	\$ 16,849.84	\$ 16,849.84	\$ 16,849.84	\$ 16,849.84	\$ 16,850.26	\$ 16,850.26	\$ 16,850.69	\$ 16,850.69

Ronda noted that the expense for the membership month of October appears to have been written as a credit rather than as an expense. Treasurer confirmed in the board meeting on 3/9/26 that there are sometimes credits, so no correction is needed.

ACTION: Jennifer sent email to Treasurer to confirm if it is a credit or should have been listed as an expense and ask for it to be corrected, if needed.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Kathleen submitted ahead of meeting)

We have 146 current members. None of them are new since I started doing this.

*This membership report will need to be reconciled with the treasurer's report of memberships.

Update: Discrepancy has been resolved. There were 9 memberships paid as stated by the Treasurer. Going forward, Membership lead will report the number of renewals and the number of new members.

ACTION: Jennifer will follow up with Kathleen and Namita.



COMMUNICATIONS/TECH REPORT

TSOM NEWS - Carl: Nothing to report.

Club Express: Jennifer

- Jennifer & Gerry met with Club Express expert for a 1 hour training session. ACTION ITEM: Jennifer will send the link to the board once she receives it.
- Immediate Priorities include:
 - TSoM Events loaded into Calendar
 - Setting up Coordinators with correct access
 - Communicating with Coordinators to review and train how to enter Events
 - Estimated timeline: 3 weeks

Facebook: Jennifer

A role that has not been taken up by the board is a Facebook monitor for the TSoM page.

ACTION: Jennifer will reach out to the community for assistance in this role. If nobody steps up for this role, we will forego this task for 2026.

ACTION: Ronda will look for FB Guidelines document within TSoM folders.

Jennifer noted that Luke is working on a process document for the FB monitoring work.

MILONGA REPORT (Jennifer)

- Thank you to Ronda for initiating a letter to the community regarding safety due to the ICE Surge. For February's Milonga, we will continue to monitor and keep the safety of our members in mind. Facebook and Email communication will remind the community to check facebook and email before heading out to check for cancellations.
- Fran has worked to fill the volunteer spots for Milongas.
- Board Members should commit to TWO milongas to help out at (Gatekeepers get there by 7pm; Setup by 6:30). Need board to sign up for gatekeeping, setup, take-down.
- If you cannot be at an event that you have volunteered for, please try to find a replacement and advise Jennifer that you will not be able to attend.
- Julie had agreed to take on the communication piece for TSoM Milongas, but this may no longer be possible. As of 1.31.26, Jennifer is still waiting to hear Julie's intentions. If Julie is unable to carry this task, Jennifer will reach out to the wider community for assistance. Julie committed to taking the role, but Jennifer is still going to seek additional help.

ACTION: Board members, please sign up for volunteer milonga positions:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XUWHJZFTKAI-_Sg2xBtCJre39OI8Hpdp/edit?gid=2121204294#gid=2121204294

PRACTICA REPORT (Gerry and Jack)

January Stats:

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TSOM Practica Attendance					
Jan 2026	Attendance		Opening	DJ	Note
Jan 3	24		Fran	Jack N	
Jan 10	30		Fran	Jack N	
Jan 17	20		Fran	Fran	
Jan 24	18		Fran	Jack N	
Jan 31	19		Shandy	Mike	

The code for the room changed on Feb 2026. The new code is in the book. Percent of nonmembers is higher with the milongas than practica. Going forward, Jack will report the number of members vs nonmembers and \$ amount for each.

ACTION: Jack will report nonmembers vs members starting next month.

GALA REPORT (Jennifer)

Jennifer met with the Gala Committee (Fran Howley, Janeen Rae, Sandra Uri) to discuss the future of the Gala. In this meeting, we discussed:

- The Board Capacity to coordinate the Gala for 2026. The board does not have current capacity to move forward in researching or booking a venue, all the while taking in the many considerations.
- Discussed the history of the Gala, created in 2019 to promote TSoM membership
- The Board would have more capacity to plan for 2027, and change the date from winter to fall. (Fall Ball - 2027). Community feedback has included the importance of ambience, lead/follower balance, and more. The committee needs a budget to search for venues and caterers. Possible Fall Ball venues include:
 - Westminster (past venue) was around \$1400. We prepaid for parking, linen, and piano for a total of \$2192. They don't confirm usage until April. Hyatt did bartending. Catered event. University students were servers, which was a great community builder.
 - Chalet at Wirth Park in 2018 was \$1500 - limited numbers as it is crowded; but if we don't have to do tables there could be room for 100 guests for Wirth; OR - limit numbers if we want tables.
 - Update 2.8.26: Four Seasons has been booked for December 12 for a fee of \$500 to ensure we hold the space. Jennifer proposes that we hold this space for December, along with a budget for live music and catering. Perhaps an "elevated" December Milonga. Perhaps consider some catering. Perhaps a Holiday Milonga.

Clay motioned that we commit \$500 for deposit at Four Seasons to hold the holiday milonga space for December 12, 2025. Ronda seconded the motion. Motion approved.

2026 Planning (Jennifer)

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Taxes - Treasurer has asked for someone to do our taxes. Jennifer has put a call in. Gerry is going to reach out to Rob P. who did it previously to see if he will show him how to do it. Jennifer asked that by the 21st to see if Rob will help Gerry and then report back to Jennifer prior to the March meeting.

ACTION: Gerry will talk with Rob about this year's taxes and report back to Jennifer by February 21st if Rob is willing to help with taxes or not.

Next Meeting - March 9, 2026, 5:30 to 6:30 PM virtual

Meeting Adjourned.