



TANGO SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA [TSOM] BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday November 15th, 2018, 7:00 pm
Location: Uptown Lunds-Byerly's Community Room
1450 W Lake St, Minneapolis, MN 55408

Present: Natalie Aiello, Scott Chase, Barbara Haselbeck, Terry Holten, Linda McFadden,
Corinne O'Neil, Janeen Rae

Absent: Tom Bischoff, Mark Jefferis, Sandra Uri, Jennifer Wang

1. Introductions
2. November 15th Agenda approved
3. October 25th Minutes approved
4. November Milonga Review
 - Corinne O'Neil noted that Jennifer Wang was on vacation, and therefore the Milonga results would be reviewed in a future Board meeting.
 - Board members discussed the Black Box venue, all agreed that it had a very nice dance floor and great sound. Feedback from attendees was very positive, members agreed that the venue should be used again in the future.
5. December 8th Milonga
 - A. Location: Wirth Chalet
 - B. MC: Sandra Uri
 - C. Food: Tom Bischoff
 - D. Teacher: NA
 - E. Music: Hiawatha Orchestra & Jennifer Wang
 - Board members discussed prior Holiday Milongas and agreed that there would be no lesson prior to the Holiday Milonga.
 - Board discussed fees and agreed to \$15 for members and students and \$30 for non-members.
 - Board also wanted the wording to be clear that dinner was not being served, just appetizers.
6. Treasurer's Report
 - Jennifer on vacation, the report will be reviewed in a future Board meeting.
7. 2019 Board Membership Committee
 - Board members discussed current nominees, Corinne and Terry Holten detailed potential candidates that they had talked to since the last Board meeting.

8. 2019 DJ Coordination
 - Natalie Aiello reviewed the DJ rotation process and the current status.
 - Natalie sent out an email to all DJs asking them to indicate their date preferences.
 - Once all the DJ's preferences have been received, Natalie will massage the results into a final schedule and share with all.

9. 2019 Milonga Venue Negotiations Status
 - Terry Holten shared the current venue status:
 - The Eagles large ballroom has been reserved for April, August and November. TSOM will not have a written contract with the Eagles, as we are "donating" as opposed to renting the venue. (There is an email confirming all dates.)
 - The Triune has been verbally reserved for January, May and September, Terry is working with Kit to finalize a contract.
 - Four Seasons has been reserved for February, Terry has also requested for June and October. Board members discussed the 20th TSOM Anniversary Milonga in October and how to host at Four Seasons.
 - The Wirth Park Pavilion has been reserved for the July Potluck Milonga.
 - Terry has also been working to reserve the Columbia Manor for the December 2019 Holiday Party. Board members discussed the potential costs to rent the Columbia Manor vs the costs to rent the Black Box and agreed to use the cheaper Black Box for the Holiday Milonga. One potential risk was discussed, the Black Box availability would not be known until March 2019.
 - Board members discussed potential venues for March, Janeen Rae suggested St Clements in St Paul. Janeen detailed fees, insurance liability and cleanup requirements. Board members agreed to an early Potluck Milonga at the church in March 2019, Janeen will contact the church and determine availability etc.
 - Corinne noted that she was hoping to have one Milonga per quarter start early, and that currently the March, July, and December Milongas started at 7 pm.

ACTION: Terry will confirm if Four Seasons is available for the June and October Milongas.
Terry will also cancel the Columbia Manor permit request for December 2019.
ACTION: Janeen will contact St Clements and determine if available for March 2019.

10. TSOM Outreach Committee
 - Board discussed Michael Kane's outreach ideas, including Cork Ireland Sister City and the Beginners Tango. Board members discussed potential Beginners Milonga conflicts. Terry will contact Michael and see if he has received any feedback from the Cork Ireland tango group.
 - Barbara Haselbeck reviewed Tom Bischoff's "Punch Card" idea. Barb and Tom have discussed the concept with David Rost and plan to discuss with other Milonga hosts and teachers.

11. Next Meeting
 - The next Board meeting is Thursday December 27th at the Uptown Lunds & Byerlys Community Room 1450 W Lake St, Minneapolis, MN 55408.

Respectfully submitted, Terry Holten, Secretary