

Minutes from MATC Board Meeting on 1/10/2008

The President declared this meeting to be a "closed session." See Article v.1-g(iv) "Attendance" of the Constitution.

Board Members Present:

Hirak Parikh (President)
Aleric Soans (Vice President)
Solveig Heinz (Treasurer)
Rahul Mhaskar (Registration Officer)
Anjali Purkayastha (Director of Operations)
Andrew DeOrio (Webmaster)
Elizabeth Garcia (Secretary)

No Board Members were absent.

Quorum was met.

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm.

Proposed Agenda

1. Receive the T-shirt accounts from Sanjay.
2. Approve the appointment of Maria and Patrick as Teaching Coordinators.
3. Discuss schedule and ideas for Monday night practicas.
4. Membership so far.
5. Scheduling for future festivals.
6. EO selection by-law.
7. Nominating our new faculty advisor.
8. Expulsion/suspension by-law.

1. Sanjay attended the meeting and provided the Board with figures regarding the t-shirt accounts.

-The Board reviewed this information.

-Motion to invite Sanjay to the next Open Board Meeting on 1/16/2008 in order to answer further questions regarding the accounts.

Proposed by: Elizabeth

Seconded by: Solveig

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed.

2. Motion to approve the appointment of Maria and Patrick as Teaching Coordinators.

Proposed by: Aleric

Seconded by: Andrew

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed.

3. Motion to approve the following regarding the Monday Practica schedule:

-Aleric will organize the teaching schedule for Monday Practicas.

-The schedule will be posted online for access by all club members and users.

Proposed by: Andrew
Seconded by: Aleric
Vote: Unanimous
Motion passed.

4. Rahul reported that the club currently has approximately 90 members after the start of the new series.

5. Motion to approve the following regarding scheduling for future festivals:

-Aleric will look into possible dates for May Madness, the July workshop, and September festival after reviewing festival schedules for other tango communities in the nation in order to avoid a conflict.

-A call for EOs for the Alicia Pons workshop and May Madness festival will go out with the next club email.

Proposed by: Elizabeth
Seconded by: Aleric
Vote: Unanimous
Motion passed.

6. Motion to pass the following EO selection by-law:

Festivals

Open call for Event Organizers (EOs)

- 1) An open call for EOs will be made at least four (4) months before the scheduled festival unless a shorter lead time is agreed to by at least five (5) Board Members.
- 2) The open call for EOs will be announced in the Club's weekly email and on the Club's website.
- 3) The Board, by a majority vote, will determine the length of time that applications will be accepted and the application deadline.
- 4) The application deadline will be announced in the Club's weekly email and on the Club's website.
- 5) Applications will not be considered until after the application deadline has passed.

Selection of EOs

Because the MATC is a student club, one of its goals is to promote the development of leadership skills among its students (both members and users alike). The MATC also wants to encourage people to participate in the running of the Club.

- 1) For the reasons stated above, the Board, when choosing EOs, may give some preference to applicants who are:
 - a) students
 - b) have little or no experience organizing a festival
 - c) have regularly contributed/volunteered in Club events/operations
- 2) The Board will attempt to include at least one EO that has

organized a festival before.

3) The Board will select between two (2) and five (5) EOs for each festival depending on the festival's expected size.

4) EO selection must be made no later than three (3) months before the scheduled festival unless a shorter lead time is agreed to by at least five (5) Board Members.

Responsibility of EOs

1) The EOs must provide the Board with an estimated budget for the festival. The estimated budget is subject to the approval of the Board.

2) EOs must use the festival budget template provided by the Treasurer in their final financial report of the festival.

3) EOs must make all arrangements relating to the festival such as booking rooms, selecting instructors, arranging housing for visitors, providing transportation for instructors, etc.

4) EOs may delegate specific tasks to volunteers.

5) EOs must ensure that all visiting instructors and DJs enter into a contract with the Club. The EOs must use the template contract entitled "Agreement for Professional Services" provided by the Board.

Proposed by: Elizabeth

Seconded by: Aleric

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed.

7. The Club is looking for a faculty advisor.

8. Motion to table the Expulsion/Suspension by-law.

Proposed by: Solveig

Seconded by: Elizabeth

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 pm.