

MATC Board Meeting Minutes 2/11/09

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

This was an exceptional meeting. See Article v.1-g(v) "Exceptional Board Meetings" of the Constitution.

Board members present:

Kate Mitroka (President)
Elizabeth Garcia (Vice-President)
Claire Ryan (Treasurer)
Tracey Rosen (Secretary)
Denzil Bernard (Director of Operations)
Blake Charlebois (Registration Officer)
Gloria Murillo (Webmaster)

All board members were present. Quorum was met.

Meeting was called to order at 10pm.

Proposed agenda:

1. Approval of interim decisions
2. Approval of festival Eos
3. Discussion of TA System
4. Discussion of Teaching and conflict of interest policy
5. Approval of teachers for next series
6. Change in approved lesson series dates
7. Discussion of pricing scheme
8. Update on Randy
9. Update on LGBT
10. Update on Tea Milonga DJ situation
11. CM email about Alicia Pons weekend
12. Email regarding advertisement of non-MATC events
13. Discussion of member conduct at milongas
14. May Madness Update: Budget, Instructors, EO updates
15. Gasthaus
16. EO responses
17. Update on Maxie
18. Discussion of Festival Instructor Invitations for other events
19. Fire and Ice recap
20. Publicity
21. Update on Constitution
22. Update on lockers

Motion to approve agenda:

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

1. Approval of Interim Decisions

The following decisions were previously made:

CM will not be included on the MATC email
Denzil Bernard as EO for 8th Anniversary Festival
Roshan Joseph and Marianna Anderle as EOs for May Madness

2. Approval of Festival Eos

Motion to approve Emine Cagin and Solveig Heinz as EOs for Fireworks on the Floor:

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

Emails will be sent to Emine and Solveig to confirm approval.

Motion to approve John Baker as EO for May Madness:

Proposed by: Tracey
Seconded by: Claire
Vote: Unanimous
Motion passed.

Motion to approve Avik Basu, Patricia Greve, and Ishani Basu as EOs for 8th Anniversary Festival:

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

Board will review Denzil's list of potential instructors for approval.

3. Discussion of TA System

The Board will encourage and plan teaching workshops as a forum for instructors and potential instructors to share information. The Board will entertain any Club member's interest in teaching, but all final instructor decisions will be made by the Board.

First-time instructors will teach with an experienced instructor (more than 1 ½ years experience teaching). Evaluations and Board decisions will be based on ongoing Board observation and dialogue with instructors.

These decisions will be made in light of the Board-approved curriculum.

4. Discussion of Teaching

Elizabeth will be responsible for communication with instructors about subs and will notify the Board of any subs.

*Motion to table all agenda except for the following:

- 7. Discussion of Pricing Scheme
- 11. CM Email about Alicia Pons Weekend
- 14. May Madness Update

Proposed by: Blake

Seconded by: Claire

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed.

*Kate removes herself from discussion and leaves the room pending a discussion and vote on instructors for next series.

Motion to approve the following instructors for the March/April Series:

Beginner: Aleric and Kate

Advanced Beginner: Maria and Andreas

Intermediate: Mabel and Patrick

Proposed by: Denzil

Seconded by: Claire

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed.

*Kate returns to discussion.

*Blake leaves at 11:40pm. 6 Board members remain. Quorum is maintained.

7. Discussion of Pricing Scheme

Current Club finances do not permit over-budgeting and require strict adherence to approved budgets for all events. Every effort must be made to cut costs, and it may be necessary to raise event prices by a few dollars.

Kate has created a budget for Alicia Pons. Having the event at the Guesthaus would be a potential way to save money.

11. CM Email about Alicia Pons Weekend

The Board received a proposal for collaborating with the CM organizers for the Alicia Pons weekend by sharing costs and revenue generated. The University SOAS guidelines indicate that a student organization may not engage in activities that financially benefit individual members, and as such, the club cannot collaborate with the CM, which is organized by a member of the club.

Motion to approve a New Year's Eve milonga for Dec 31, 2009-Jan 1, 2010.

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

14. May Madness Update

Marianna and Roshan have requested information about a budget for May Madness. The Board will provide an overall number for the event; how the overall cost is distributed will be determined by the EOs.

Kate will email Marianna and Roshan regarding concerns with the logistics of bringing Carlitos and Mamie to Ann Arbor as well as the festival budget.

Motion to adjourn:

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

Meeting was adjourned at 1am.