

Gakyil Meeting Minutes

June 30, 2026

Present (online): Gakyil members Katya Kuzmitskaya, Gerard Miller, Ellen Halbert; Community member Cindy Thiebeau

Guru Yoga

Agenda

- 1) A member's suggestion to send the replay link for Yeshe's recent retreat at Merigar by email to all members was discussed. All agreed we should not post it on our website, but Katya will write to Merigar asking for permission to send the replay link to members, along with a link to donate to Merigar.
- 2) **Blue report:** In conversation with Katya at Merigar, Oliver Leick expressed interest in offering teachings at TE next year. Katya will follow up by email regarding dates and topic. Steve Landsberg specified the weekend before Thanksgiving (Nov 21-22) for his in person teachings at TE. Katya will email him to clarify whether it will be 2 or 3 days and request a paragraph describing the topic. Katya will also ask Arnaud about providing online teachings in early 2027.
- 3) **SSR auction:** Cindy reported several nice items from Kundrolling and some items in the office are appropriate for auction. Ellen will send an auction announcement with request for donated items, to benefit both TE and the School of Tibetan Medicine. Ellen will ask 3 local sangha members to look through items in the office and select those that would be good for the auction.
- 4) **Yellow report:** Fundraising idea by Michael Katz to selectively cut trees near Vajra Hall for sky gazing will likely elicit push back. Yellow gakyil has obtained old inactive forestry plan and will gather a committee of volunteers to explore explore the requirements, expense etc involved. We are now about \$49,000 in the black and have not used any funds in reserve. Beaver Solutions Inc appointment to address beaver dam issues at Khandroling is pending return call from them.
- 5) **Red report:** The internet for schoolhouse second floor has been upgraded with a new router installed in the Geko room for \$300; this was needed due to weak signal and frequent drop outs, sometimes causing cancellation of Tibetan Medicine classes. The schoolhouse fire alarm system will be fixed this week; alarm had sounded despite no fire or smoke, probably due to broken pull alarm. Khandroling cabin issues have been addressed; next projects include fixing porch and deck of Rinpoche's house. A karma yogi from France confirmed he will come for the Vajra Dance retreat and stay for a couple months as temporary Geko.

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