

7/31/18 Gakyil Meeting Minutes taken by Ed Matheny

Present: David, Bret, Al, Diane, Ed, Nancy, and Miranda

Approved May 22 minutes.

June 26 meeting minutes are missing.

Tenerife house manager:

It was moved that we accept Kyu's offer to be manager for one year at the proposed rate. Kyu has been extremely helpful in the past. Motion passed.

Retreat Debrief:

The 2018 Summer Sangha Retreat income is in process of being tallied at this time. The figures will be available at a later date.

Planning Community meetings:

We need seasonal meetings.

Diane believes we should have a general assembly meeting during next year's retreat because of the people traveling from afar. Miranda feels that, with more webcasts, people feel less on the fringe, and so that is not necessary. We will revisit this question later.

Miranda also stated that it would be better to have seasonal community meetings that members could attend in person and via videoconference. As not all members are able to attend the retreat. Nancy added that the retreat also may be attended by non-members, in which it wouldn't be appropriate to hold a general assembly or community meeting.

Blue is sending out a survey on the retreat.

Nancy suggests sending out tentative dates for seasonal meetings.

Miranda proposes two or three seasonal community meetings and one general assembly meeting. Blue will look at the calendar and propose dates.

Red Report:

1. Rinpoche's Cabin Update:

Water tank was delivered and countertops set for receiving new appliances. Gas hookup will follow. Window framing needs to occur and the window seated. Cabin not yet rentable. Once window issue fixed, then it will be rentable. Decoration to be finished by the end of August.

2. Vajra Hall Update:

Bret will be delivering primer to the VH, and will replace some nails with deck screws. Weather will be iffy for this in the short term.

3. Stupa Repair

The costs Jim foresees for repairing the stupa will be a. renting a pressure washer, if that needs to be rented, and b. the paint. Low cost project. A lot of interest has been expressed in fixing up the stupa. Harvey has volunteered to steward the cost of materials. We can fix it, then total the cost, and then get individual sponsors to pay for it.

Yellow Report:

Capital Fundraising Campaign

\$11,400.

Ongoing projects for Khandroling, Vajra Hall, and Rinpoche's House need to be looked at.

Bret referred to a document that he has provided to us that documents his expenses to date.

Bret has spent less than the \$5000 for the schoolhouse.

In addition, he has bought a new lawnmower, air conditioner, picnic table as capital expenses, for a total of less than a grand.

There was a discussion of what constitutes a capital expense.

Bret is defining capital expense in "typical" industry terms: buying new property or improving existing property to increase revenue as opposed to repairing existing items.

Al: Any expense that is not in the general operating budget is a capital expense.

Yellow will come up with an amount that Red has to spend on the Schoolhouse.

Red is given latitude to communicate with the community and in collaboration with Blue, as it always has, including weekly calls for karma yoga.

Donate Page:

The Capital Campaign language will be taken off the donate page.

We might use language from a brochure that John is writing about planned giving.

Repairs are being discussed for Cathedral windows at Rinpoche's House. \$1,400?

Bret: There is a general assumption that \$6,000 has been raised for the specific purpose of Rinpoche's Cabin.

Al: The \$6,000 amount is the Khandroling account, not just Rinpoche's Cabin.

Yearly tune-up of heating system in the Fall.

Ed will talk with Town Administrator regarding the roof grant.

Bret asked that we get information to him on what amounts from the Capital Campaign are to be allocated to Repairs and Renovations items respectively.

Blue will communicate to Dominik the choice of Kyu.

Dedication of Merits