

## **Minutes of 11/13/18 Gakyil Meeting**

**Moderator:** Miranda

**Minutes Taker:** Ed Matheny

**Present:** Nancy Paris, Miranda Shannon, Ed Matheny, Al Daggett, Bret Bourman, Sarale Lizdas, David Hayes

Guru Yoga

Approved October 16 Gakyil meeting minutes

### **Geko Report:**

Wood that was cut for Gompa has been re-tarped and thorns cut. The wood is reaching the end of its useful life. It was estimated that the wood is worth \$2,000 to \$3,000. If we can use it, that would be great, as it is from the sacred land. But we do not want it to go to waste if we cannot use it.

The fallen tree at the pond cabin has been cleaned up. Other surrounding trees do not look that healthy.

The trees around Rinpoche's cabin need to come down. Not sure whether a professional is needed; if not, it would require getting a number of people together to do this.

Geko will send an email around listing high priority tree items.

Bret winterized Rinpoche's cabin.

A concern was expressed that offseason prices for cabins are a little low. This is an action item for Yellow to consider.

### **Blue Report:**

Dr. Phuntsog is ok with us using her office space. Blue will coordinate with her. Her office will need to be arranged in a way that we can use it. Red and Geko will look into how to set this space up for winter practice and webcasts of same.

Bret is going to meet with Dr. Phuntsog, so he can ask her if there is anything she doesn't want moved. He will also find out when we can start to use her office. Once these conversations have occurred, Blue will see what practices can be done there.

We need to make sure restroom facilities in the schoolhouse are ok for people from outside the community to use; there was a problem with people outside the community using the restroom at a recent program. David will look into this.

The community needs to look into how it can help David with the many tasks he has. Maybe have days designated to general housekeeping.

Debris in the foyer needs to be cleaned up.

Zoom meetings are being recorded going forward.

**Yellow Report:**

Text has been written for the first email blast of our year-end fundraising appeal and sent around to Gakyil. The suggested revisions have been made.

It was agreed that the Tuesday after Thanksgiving is the time to send out the first email blast of the year-end fundraising appeal.

The treasurer has been working with John Shannon and Mike Leete, our accountant, on completing our annual Form 990, which is the return filed by a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. It will be filed on the deadline, November 15.

Member Rates for 2019: Yellow will discuss and get back to Gakyil. Web membership page will need to be changed to refer to 2019.

**Red Report:**

Red will speak to Helena (SSI USA bookstore) about whether *lungta* flags are needed.