

# Tsegyalgar East General Assembly Meeting Minutes Tsegyalgar East Schoolhouse Gonpa and via Videoconference Sunday, April 28, 2019 | 3:00pm (ET)

## Guru Yoga

- Moderator Introduction
- Yellow:

Presentation of 2018 Year End and 2019 Budget/Dzamling Gar update Community votes in favor of accepting the 2019 budget

### Blue:

Continues with commitment to present monthly public programs, transmission based programs, along with weekly practices. When possible, programs and practices will be made available via webcast or videoconference to distant members. A full summer schedule has been organized and features Yantra Yoga, Santi Maha Sangha, Vajra Dance and Khaita at Khandroling.

#### Red:

The Tsegyalgar East Gakyil formally calls for Red Gakyil candidates, and for assistance with seasonal repairs in preparation for a busy summer season ahead.

Due to winter storm damage, there is a destroyed shed that needs to be rebuilt on Lower Khandroling, by Rinpoche's house. The roof of the pond cabin storage shed also needs repair due to a large tree that fell on it.

Preparations for the upcoming summer season at Khandroling include the repair or replacing of the Vajra Dance/Yantra Yoga platform at the pond, and finishing repairs on the Stupa. There are also numerous other recurrent and stand alone tasks at Khandroling, Dark Cabin and the Tsegyalgar East Schoolhouse.

The roof of the pond cabin shed and the shed by Rinpoche's house will be the first projects to be tackled. Carpenters are needed for the pond cabin, as the work consists of framing and roofing. The shed at Rinpoche's house will need 4 or 5 hard working volunteers, knowing how to use a saw is of great use.

Other tasks will start by the middle or end of April and proceed into May. We are looking for volunteers who are able to share their time and expertise. Donations to help cover the various expenses associated with seasonal repairs and unexpected expenses are

gratefully accepted.

For Karma Yogis coming from afar, we would be happy to offer you lodgings in the schoolhouse dormitory in exchange for your help. Please let us know if you would be interested in this option, and what your availability may be during the end of April into May time period.

The Gakyil is also working on various longstanding projects, and could use your assistance with them. Below is a list of endeavors we are currently engaged in or we have recently completed.

Schoolhouse - Furnace Replacement (Completed)

Farmhouse Shed - Clean up & Replacement (Being planned)

Storage Shed by the Pond (Being planned)

Vajra Dance Platform - Replacement (Tabled for now)

Dark Retreat Cabin - Water Tank/Gravel (To be ordered)

Dorms - Upgrade (Planning to be organized)

Gönpa - Upgrade (Planning to be organized)

Rinpoche's Cabin - Solar (Gakyil approved, work to start soon)

Schoolhouse - Front Hall (Planning to be organized)

Members add other needed projects:

Tree removal needed around Rinpoche's Cabin

Road to Togal cabin is badly washed out and needs attention

The Road to the Togal cabin also needs landscaping with brush cut back. Chainsaw work is needed.

Member asks if switch backs would keep it from washing out. Gakyil responds that we will need a plan and then either raise money or find available money.

Shout out to the Geko for clearing the shed debris.
 And thanks to Vern Harrington for submitting the insurance claim on the shed with a payback of \$10,000.

#### General Discussion:

Membership Coordinator gives membership report of 112 Ordinary, 17 Sustaining, 3 Meritorious. Total = 132 as of this date.

Member addresses loss of two Red Gakyil members, that it's unfortunate and that whatever the circumstances that caused these two energetic members to leave that there can be some healing and reconciliation.

Gakyil responds that they also hope so.

Summary of Dzamling Gar IDC Annual General Meeting IG President Steven Lansberg - At this time no transmission can be offered and this is an issue we will hear more about after the period of mourning.

Opening Talk by Constantino Albini - Read full talk here

Member was at Dzamling Gar and listened to all 4.5 hours. Left Dzamling Gar feeling that the IDC is in capable hands. It's being handled responsibly with transparency and that people's intentions are in the right place.

Question was asked "What it the Atiyoga Foundation?" In general the Atiyoga Foundation is the public face of the Dzogchen Community. For information on the Atiyoga Foundation visit: <a href="https://atiyogafoundation.net">https://atiyogafoundation.net</a>

**Dedication of Merits** 

Short Ganapuja with Marme Monlam