

Gakyil Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2026

Present: (online) Gakyil members Katya Kuzmitskaya, Ellen Halbert, and Al Daggett and Vern Harrington representing Gerard Miller; community members Cindy Thibeau and Will Shea

Guru Yoga

Agenda

- 1) Plans for an information table during the February retreat at Dzamlingar, featuring Tsegyalgar East and School of Tibetan Medicine were discussed. Three community members who will be in Tenerife have volunteered to help at the table. Ellen will prepare a one page summary of upcoming programs and activities at Tsegyalgar East and Khandroling; Katya will prepare a one page statement about upcoming programs at the School of Tibetan Medicine. Ellen will send her page to Katya for editing and graphics, including a possible QR code that opens our website. Cindy or Helena will print copies for the volunteers to present at Dzamlingar.
- 2) Plans for upcoming programs were discussed: • Katya will clarify July dates of Green Tara practice retreat with Phuntsog, for 7 full days and a half day on either end. Ellen will then contact Vajra Dance and Yantra Yoga teachers to see if they are available. • Migmar can mail the open stupa to US with assembly instructions and then come later himself to authenticate. Katya will arrange a call to plan for his visit and program. • Michael will provide Rushen of the Mind retreat April 4 and 5, from 10:00-12:00 and 1:30-3:30 each day, in person and via Zoom. Katya will discuss possible summer program with him of Purification of 6 Lokas practice or Chod. • Oliver's program January 31- February 1 needs clarification of content, and reminder announcement sent. Katya will ask Oliver to provide more details for the announcement.
- 3) Possibilities for restructuring of caretaker's position were discussed, focusing on the need to clarify terms that will be viable both for him and the community going forward. Vern will talk with caretaker about his needs and report back to the gakyil, and yellow gakyil will then suggest next steps.

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