

DCC Board Meeting – March 15, 2023

Present: Karen, Robin, Sarah, Christine, Mark, David, Filippa

Guests: Bill Rolphe, Rab Wilkie

Adoption of agenda: Moved— David; seconded — Mark; passed unanimously

Adoption of Feb 15, 2023 Minutes as amended: Moved — Christine; seconded David; passed unanimously

President's Report – Robin

Brief report. Winter retreat program small but successful. Hill House roof not leaking since last month. David H has been monitoring, trying to keep ice build-up off roof. Robin will follow-up with roofer. Only maintenance problem has been propane delivery at Temple because of ice.

Motion to accept President's Report –Moved – Mark; Filippa --seconded, passed unanimously

Treasurer's Report – Filippa

Has been transitioning with Monique. Will defer 2023 statements until next month, since not much happening. Hope 2022 statements will be ready then. Talked with possible new accountant that Filippa knows who has spent time in Nepal. Likely going with Quick books on-line. Checking compatability with Square space. Still investigating event software with Barney. Because we get donations may have to do audit. \$8K and up for audit. Federal regulations require doing an audit if revenue (including donations) over \$250K .

Motion: To accept Treasurer's report; Moved – Robin ; seconded – Mark. Passed unanimously

Dharma Centre Archives Committee Report – Bill and Rab

Donation from Jotidhammo of ten boxes of books, ritual instruments and monks' robes have been packed and shipped to Toronto from Vancouver by Brian Harris. Bill hopes to be in Toronto when shipment arrives and bring to DCC. Originally freight was to be covered by donation but now funds not available. Christine will contact Brian Harris to facilitate shipping of donation when she goes through Vancouver next week. Filippa requests donations be made directly to the DCC, so tax receipts can be issued.

HR Report – Mark

Major issue has been immigration application by Nepalese couple. Wife now pregnant. Speaking with Dawn became clear will be more complicated than anticipated. Put them directly in touch with Dawn to work out. Numerous meetings with applicants for server-meditators, etc. Have plans for short-term cooks until get permanent chef.

Renewal Report -- David

Very little money since last meeting. Registrants for retreat asked if want to add donation to Renewal fund, so steady trickle. Need to get out fund-raising letter. Waiting for Temple Team to decide what can say people about relationship with Tom Payne, architect, and vision. Also need to give progress report on Tara and vision. David will contact SJ about doing some research on Foundations. Floating pad for Len's cabin was approved last fall. Now need to get concrete truck in to pour slab – maybe in May.

Marketing report -- Sarah (Karen subbed)

Kaleisha volunteered to do some publicity material for Children's Festival.

Programming Report – Karen

Programming going well. Offshoot committee for solo retreats– Core teachers acting as guides for solo retreatants. (Jack, Karen, Kim, Shelane with Terry and Mala joining now that they're back from India.) Will start soon on 2024. Now have a kind of map about who wants to teach when. Once Len's cabin ready, may be able to have two teachers at one time.

In Camera session start 12:15; ended 12:20

AGM

May 28 – 1:30pm at DCC and on Zoom

Tarot banners

Tarot banner chest is now locked. Karen has talked with various people about history of Tarot banners, storage, etc. (Senge, Gaia, Tryg, Trudy) Will come up with application protocol when someone wants to use the banners at DCC. Will communicate with Doug and Katherine after group meets.

Staff Report – Noon

In Camera – 12:55; out 1:05

Having big retreat with Lama Linda – 50 people. Good registration #s for other upcoming retreats.

Date of next meeting: at April 21st, 1pm EDT