

KCC Board Meeting minutes – January 16, 2005

Present- Ephraim Miller, Jeff Alworth, Jim Kimball, Peter Wood, Lydia Maddux

December 2004 Board Meeting minutes were posted on line and approved

Annual Leadership Retreat Update given by Jeff Alworth

- Jeff, Sally, Michael and Program Council have met and started looking at the agenda. A few items discussed:
- Where are we with fundraising
- Long term use of retreat land at SCOL with possible discussion for residential and community use.
- 1 year retreat – what does it look like?
- Flexibility of building usage
- How will we manage the facility after 3 year retreat?

Sally Alworth will call those attending the retreat in advance to gather agenda and then post it for pre-discussion.

Jeff asked to off-load the agenda for the “board” portion of the retreat (board will gather by 12 noon on Friday and spend that time checking in with one another). Peter and Lydia volunteered to work on this topic together.

NW Dharma Association – Board approved for the \$50 renewal for subscription in their newsletter and online post of events.

. Jeff will forward the expense to the Finance Committee and information regarding the yearly conference, a board member may attend but not decided who at this meeting.

EQIP - Ongoing discussion regarding the topic of tree thinning and grant money with Dora and CCLC. Board wants to approve the recommendations from the CCLC before final contract signing.

Morgue Building – Jeff and Jim gave updates on the tour and ongoing email discussion.

- What does the county want to do with the building?
- Environmental concerns due to usage of chemicals since the building was used as a morgue and medical examinations.
- Seismic retro fit?
- How will this building be paid for?

Jan. 20, 2005 a construction walk through with contractor is scheduled and our letter of intended usage to the county by Jan. 24,2005

Board Re-Pop – Roger Edwards has declined to rejoin the Board at this time and has sent two concerns to the Board he would like to address this year:

- Communication Comm. Concerns – We noted that the committee now has a point person – Kathleen Benz. It is our hope that the VSC, Board, Kathleen and Roger all can work together to improve our communication at KCC. Kathleen will be given the opportunity to put in place her ideas of how that will look in 2005.
- Regarding the strategic planning committee - we opted to discuss at a future date due to our full agenda. Jeff will place it on our carry over agenda to discuss after the leadership retreat.

Jeff will send thank you to Roger and also will respond directly to his email communication.

Bruce Abrahamson joining Board - Full approval from Board members and Lama Michael.

Jeff will announce Bruce's appointment to the Board to the sangha

Assistant President - Jeff spent some time via phone talking with Peter Wood and asked him to assist him, Peter has accepted.

Membership - After much discussion, we decided to delay approval of the proposal from the Membership Committee until we have a special meeting with the members (due to weather we had to re-schedule the Board meeting and Membership couldn't attend this Board meeting).

Jeff will contact Membership Committee and set up meeting asap