



Sky Creek Dharma Center

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

Sky Creek Dharma Center

January 16, 2008

5:30 – 7:00 PM at Sky Creek Dharma Center

Board Members Present:

Jasper Lerch, President

Ann Ponzio, Co-Secretary

Jessica Mackenzie, Treasurer

Bob Egert

Joanne Hamilton

Others Present:

Stephen Burgess (Rocky)

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Acting Chair, Jasper Lerch

This meeting is a continuation of the meeting of January 10th to complete Agenda items.

Old Business:

Dharma Center Income:

1. A formal Treasurer's report will be submitted monthly. All December bills are paid, with an account balance of approximately \$500. Approximately \$850 per month in ongoing monthly pledges have been made. The Center is being charged \$105/month for late rent.
2. Rental income. Rocky is paying \$100 every ten days, but may be gone in February and March. A discussion of rental options followed. Renting the South end of the building to individuals not connected with the Center is a less preferred option. Renting the North end of the building to a M-F 9 to 5 business/professional service, compatible with the Dharma Center, is a more preferred option.

The ethics of a Dharma Center renting to a business was discussed. Motion was made by Jessica to allow rental to a professional tenant. Second: Jasper. Vote: Approved: unanimous.

The Board acknowledges that there has been prior discussion and some potential renters contacted, but does not know if this was ever advertised. This will be advertised in the Enterprise Record, Craigslist, on bulletin boards around town at \$400/mo.

3. Events. This is the most preferred method of generating income. The Board set rates for site rental to be posted on the website, as follows: All-day \$75-125; Weekend \$100-200; half day \$40. Motion to accept these rates was made by Ann, seconded by Jessica. Vote: Approved: unanimous.

Fundraising:

Promotions committee was formed: Jessica, Ann, and Kate Transchel.

NVC School:

The founders of the proposed NVC school would like a decision from the Board as to our involvement. It was felt that we did not have enough information, or were not in a position to make a commitment. A further meeting with the NVC founders was proposed.

Lobsang Retreat:

Jessica just got the contact information from Amos and has made contact but has had no response.

New Business:

1. Website. Transition from Amos to the Center needs to be made. A designated person will be identified to keep up the website and calendar.
2. All-Sangha sit is proposed for Sunday to represent all to the traditions practiced at the Center.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 30th 5:00-7:00 PM at Sky Creek Dharma Center.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m by Jasper Lerch, President.

Minutes respectfully submitted by

Ann Ponzio,
Co-Secretary to the Board