

Sangha Meeting Agenda | Dec 4, 2019

1) Brief Budget Report - using information from year to date

REGULAR EXPENSES

Rent: \$900

Heat & Electric: aprox \$100 a month
(water & trash paid by landlord)

Internet: \$100

Total Expenses: \$1100 per month

INCOME:

Membership: \$722 per month *(17 sangha members)*

Class fees: aprox \$68 per month *(\$814 per year)*

Cash Donations: \$95 per month *(\$1147 per year)*

Total Income: \$885 per month

Shortfall \$215

Ways to make us for shortfall:

End of year fund raising letter

Fundraising events in 2019

Membership campaign

***Bookstore???

***Renting out the extra room???

2) Thank you and Volunteer Needs

We have volunteers helping with Housekeeping, Shrine Keeping, Sangha Care and the Library. At this point our needs are for Office Assistance, Special Events and Sangha Care.

OFFICE ASSISTANCE & MARKETING TEAM

types of work:

Data entry on our Quickbooks online account 1x per week:

Filing: opening mail and filing appropriately

Send out hand written thank you notes to new donors.

Helping with the fundraising letters.

Helping putting up posters around town when needed.

SPECIAL EVENTS TEAM

types of work:

Helping with the brainstorming, planning & coordinating of events.

Help coordinate getting shrine room ready for the event

Help coordinate tea & meal service for the event

SANGHA CARE TEAM

Give rides to individuals without transportation

Be available to provide meals to sick or housebound members

Coordinate with Dayton sangha to learn abt about arrangements for death and dying

3) New Programs Announcement & Ideas

Mindfulness Meditation

In January we will offer a new Mindfulness meditation program led by Gabriela.

The class will run Jan 13-Feb 27 from 6-7pm. We will continue the Thursday evening meditation if there seems to be interest. As with Sat and Sun mornings, there will be no charge for this meditation.

Monthly Guru Rinpoche Practice

This practice will be offered according to the Tibetan Calendar. The next dates are January 5, 2020 and February 4, 2020.

Vajrakilaya Practice

***Should we offer this monthly on a Friday or Saturday evening?

***Other ideas???

4) Filling the Statue Announcement

Lama Abou has told me that it should take about 10 days to prepare the mantra rolls and other items and fill the statue. It will be wonderful if the sangha can participate in this process. Abou says that before he arrives he wants us to prepare the juniper stick - that will go in the middle of the statue.

Lama About is available in April to work on this project. It may be possible for Drupon Rinchen Dorje to come at the end of the 10 days and to be present for the consecration.

5) Proposed Teacher Visits for 2019 & Ideas

Ina Bieler - need to check availability
Lama Abou - can come in April
Drupon Rinchen Dorje - can come in April
Khenpo Samdup - can't come until summer
Bento Soares - will do a program for us in the community
Kunzang Khandro - can't come until summer

Other Lamas & teachers that can be invited:

Drupon Trinley Nyingpo (lives in Florida - coordinate with Chicago visits.)

Khenpo Tenzin

Tulku Orgyen

Lama Orgyen

*****Other ideas???**

6) Annual Report

Will be prepared in January and we will distribute it February 1.