

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title	Shambhala Board Meeting
Date/Time Start	Jan 15, 2020 at 6:00 PM
Date/Time Stop	Jan 15, 2020 at 8:00 PM
Location	Boston Center
Attendees	Dylan Bianchi, John Ranco, Judy Vreeland, Kate King, Mary Lang, Max Roberts-Zirker
Apologies	Sarah Kimball
Minutes by	Judy Vreeland

Item Notes

Board meetings - dates, retreat, time change

Meetings will be the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 6 PM (except where holidays conflict)

2/12
3/11
4/15
5/13
6/10

Retreat will be scheduled when we have new members

2020 budget update

No significant changes since review last week

Forecast is for a very small surplus

Vote to approve - unanimous

Bathroom signage

New signs were posted as a trial. No feedback thus far.

Mission statement - approve draft; next steps commitments/values

Mary will work on small changes following board discussion, including the addition of an aspiration to be inclusive

Mission will be shared with the community at the January 25th meeting

Also at the meeting, we will seek volunteers to work on what is now a very rough draft of principles and values

Email re: ED decision - approve

All approved email draft with minor edits

The email will be sent on Friday morning, January 17

January 25 community gathering

No registrations yet; will resend and post on FB page

No responses yet to email re: agenda

Format
11-12 potluck
12-3:30 meeting

May post times for topics so that people can come for what interests them

Start with updates on work of board; finances, questions, comments, opportunity to address anything on their mind re: board. Have an "ask it basket" available during the potluck so that people can submit questions to be addressed in the afternoon

Roll out the mission statement

Share the process Nick Kranz has gone through since stepping back, and the plan for his return to the community and to teaching

Letter from the Sakyong and announcement from the international board

Set the frame from the start that that the goal is not to come to a decision but to recognize and honor diversity of opinion

Timeline board search process; covering financial oversight role

Max and Mary will work on a timeline to be announced at the community meeting on the 25th; will share our need for someone who can fill the role of financial oversight.

Surmang Foundation talk

Surmang Clinic will give a talk about their work on a weekend evening in May; details to follow.

Shambhala online trauma course

We will offer the program as a course at the center, probably in the spring. All leaders will be strongly encouraged to participate.

Statement of accountability discussion

Max and Dylan will work on a draft of a local statement of accountability.