



Wet Mountain Sangha

Steering Committee Minutes

7-22-11, Cockrell Farms

In attendance: Merrilee Barnett, Kate Jarrett, Jan Meserve, Doug Mesner, Tracy Foltz, Kerry Kramer, Jim Wickers, David Cockrell

1. Financial and Business

- a. Merrilee has taken treasurer's responsibilities. She is so happy to be the treasurer; has kept the books for her business for a long time and is very comfortable with it. Current balance \$1,411.23 in checking and \$535 in scholarship fund. Merrilee presented a yearly accounting summary: Total income \$6,244.25. Expenses \$5,384.57.
- b. We decided to collect dana for teachers paid to the sangha, and then provide the teacher a check. Checks to teachers should be provided to them at the event in which they are present.
- c. Merrilee asks for receipts for all sangha expenses for the records, and we should notify her if we want records of charitable contributions for tax purposes.
- d. Savings account for scholarship assistance:
 - i. The balance was \$100.00 dollars, and is now increased to \$535.
 - ii. **Scholarship assistance format: Scholarship application review committee will be the treasurer, the SC chair, and the past chair. Scholarships will be for any Open Source activity, max of 50% of the cost of the event, and preference may be given to first-time requests if there is a shortage of funds. The Scholarship committee will contact applicants to discuss their request, then reach consensus on awards, and notify the applicants.**
 - iii. We talked about trying to set up automatic payments from sangha member bank accounts to the sangha.
- e. Kerry reported on insurance. We will not be able to add a rider on the CIP policy. Tracy will talk with her insurance agent about a renter's insurance policy for general liability and report back.

2. Program stream

- a. Ullambana retreat August 13th
 - i. A regular full day sitting. WITR, dharma talk, potluck lunch etc. Kids will be in the basement for some portion of the afternoon until the last hour. **Everyone should bring a food offering to go to the food pantry.** Kids will just come for the last hour. There may be an offering ceremony at the end of the day.

