

ANN ARBOR SANGHA COUNCIL MINUTES

3-8-16

Submitted by Colleen Retherford

- 1) In Attendance: Akiko, Wendy, Cathy, Bobbie, Deb, Barb Sloat and Colleen Retherford; also Diane and Rose for first 30 minutes
- 2) Opened with 4 Immeasurables
- 3) February Bake Sale - \$460 – Discussion about labeling donated foods for bake sales and brunches. Resolved to ask for labeling, but accept donations that are not labeled, also. For baked goods, labeling regarding nuts or gluten free especially important. Only about 5 folks baked, so Wendy will put out feelers through announcements.
- 4) March 13th Irish Brunch – Wendy reviewed items that will be brought. For brunches, general categories will be listed, as well as a few suggested specific items, on Sign-up Genius. Cathy will talk with Jonas about sound for this event.
- 5) All Sangha Meeting – April 22nd – Topic: Community (general)
 - a. After singing the 4 Immeasurables together, Akiko will open the meeting, as well as review last year's meeting content.
 - b. Wendy will review fundraising and volunteer activities from the past year
 - c. Colleen will present 'success story' of Dan Hamburger's meditation group at EMU, which came out of last year's meeting
 - d. Barb Sloat will review our outreach program
 - e. Barb Sloat to moderate, along with another person, the discussion period, using the following three questions to stimulate discussion:
 1. What makes you feel most connected to your community?
 2. How is the sangha supporting your practice, as discussed by Rimpoche at last year's meeting, and how can we strengthen that support for each other?
 3. When Rimpoche is not at Jewel Heart on Sundays, what motivates you to come to the center anyway?
- 6) Building Cleaning
 - a. Organizing the building cleaning is a big task, and Bob could use help in his role as organizer, finding volunteers and getting the email request out on time. Perhaps a co-organizer would be helpful. Susan Cooley's name was suggested. Cathy will feel her out at class on Thursday.
 - b. Deb requested that cleaning occur every 3 weeks instead of once a month. Colleen Suggested that we should set cleaning dates in advance and post them on the calendar and around the center. Dates are: March 26, April 16, April 30, May 21, June 11, July 2, July 23, August 13.
- 7) Next meeting April 5 at 6:30 pm.