* Attendees: Lori Leff, Robyn Kinsey, Marit Cranmer, John Foster, Kathy McGrane, Paula Barry, Vern Harrington, John LaFrance, Harold Graves, Jacqueline Gens, Soledad Suarez

***Guru Yoga, Song of the Vajra***

* John LaFrance appointed Moderator
* Tabled Minutes Approval
* Next Gakyil meeting May 20th, Sunday @ 12:30 PM

**Staff Updates (3 minutes)**

* Secretary:
  + Membership Renewal/Retreats Breakdown
    - Total Members Processed to date: 271; of these, 4 are Meritorious, 35 are Sustaining,   
      133 are Ordinary, 99 are Reduced.
    - There are also 38 paid Retreat Registrations so far for the July Retreat.
  + Moving out of Rinpoche’s House by June 1st
* Geko:
  + Would like to have basement clear for silkscreen project, tee-shirts/papermaking

**Whole Gakyil (minutes)**

1. Presentations by Paula and Marit regarding the Retreat:
   1. Paula: $2,000 Budget for Farmhouse
      1. Discussion of beds for farmhouse
         1. Bed for Rosa
      2. Compile list of items to use for house
      3. $3,000 for food
         1. Family Meals, 7 people & entourage
            1. Breakdown:
            2. Farmhouse $2,000
            3. Initial Food: $1,000
            4. Ongoing Food: $3,000
         2. Housing for Egle : $1,000 for the month
      4. Discussion of Honorariums, spending money for teachers; Diamond Presentation (should it be given @ Tsegyalgar?)
      5. Gifts: TBD
   2. Marit: Budget for Decorating VH/Mohawk
      1. Wall Hangings
         1. Tigles
            1. $280 for each
            2. 54 inches printed
         2. White Tara Tanka
         3. A Total of 8 wall hangings for Lecture Hall
         4. Discussion of wall space in auditorium / vs. gymnasium
      2. Some Discussion Questions:
         1. Can we Borrow the Stupa place on Pedestal in Lecture Hall?
         2. Can we have more set-up time?
         3. Possible to have a Staging Area?
         4. How do we hang things in Cafeteria?
         5. Discussion of Vendor Location in the school, Access to Lobby
      3. Banners @ $12/Sq. Ft. are costly
      4. Easy-Ups [Tents] for Registration/Vendor Tables

**Whole Gakyil (minutes cont’d)**

* + 1. Plotter printer could be used to print banners 24” x 20 feet color
    2. Prayer Flag installation for Khandroling
       1. 12 flag poles along Pond
       2. 12 poles around Vajra Hall
    3. Costs are still being Developed
       1. $1,500 preliminary Budget

# Blue Gakyil (minutes)

1. Blue Report: Retreat Tasks
   1. Discussion of Posters & Brochures
      1. Brochure needs to be updated
      2. Registration Folder/Packet w/inserts
2. Sole to coordinate w/Naomi on Ganapuja Materials
3. Gonpa needs lighting work
   1. Red to get an electrician’s estimate
   2. Cleaning rugs in Gonpa/office [ServiceMaster hire to clean one day]
4. Discussion of a Master List of tasks and volunteers
5. Discussion of Work Study parameters
   1. Yellow to work with Diane Sievers on a printed waiver/compensations
   2. Yellow to follow up on disclaimer language for Work Study
6. June 21st to July 1st Jacqueline away

# Red Gakyil (minutes)

1. Swimming Pool Discussion
   1. Financing: Community Pays half , & half from the Health Fund
      1. $5,000: health fund
      2. $5,000: DCA
      3. $5,000: Finish Deck
2. School / Venue Discussion
   1. Auditorium or Gymnasium?
      1. Pro/Con Discussion ongoing, TBD
   2. Location of the Party in Gym?
      1. [The auditorium may not be comfortable for the Tibetan Party]
   3. How many people? 300 + ?
   4. Possible Screening of My Reincarnation Film at Auditorium discussed.
   5. Potential Security issues for the retreat Discussed.
   6. A Vote was taken for the Gym vs. Auditorium:
      1. Gym: 7.5
      2. Auditorium: .5

**Yellow Gakyil (minutes)**

1. Cost-per-meal: $12?
   1. Total Meal Cost is $10,000
2. Gifts:
   1. Discussion of Donation to Mohawk School
   2. Donation to Rinpoche
   3. Gift for Yantra Yoga Teachers
   4. Discussion of Vajra hall Donations
      1. $900,000 raised
      2. 182 Donors from all over the world
      3. French community is paying $12,000 for a red triangle for VH
3. My Reincarnation Film Financing Discussion
4. Breakdown of Retreat Related Expenses So Far:
   1. Farmhouse: $2,000
   2. Initial Food: $1,000
   3. Ongoing Food: $3,000
   4. Egle’s Housing: $1,000
   5. Teacher Per Diem: $\_\_\_\_\_
   6. Teacher Food: $\_\_\_\_
   7. Decorations: $1,500
   8. Printing: $3,000
   9. Postering: $1,500
   10. Travel Expenses: $10,000
   11. Mohawk Staff: $\_\_\_\_
   12. Rug Cleaning: $\_\_\_\_
   13. Lunches: $10,000
   14. Rinpoche Offering: $\_\_\_\_
   15. Mohawk Donation: $\_\_\_\_
   16. Local Teacher Gift: $\_\_\_\_
   17. Gift for Rosa: $\_\_\_\_