

Saturday 01/21/23 Quarterly Intersangha Meeting 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Purpose: Quarterly meeting

Format: Agenda, check-in and status reports by meeting secretaries/proxies, old business and new business for discussion and/or voting

Present: Heather (Chair), Stuart (Secretary), Bryan (Communications), Scott (Treasurer)

Meetings: Every 3 months

Introductions

Meditation

Census to Establish Quorum (10 of 16 meetings represented is the requirement)

Present (10):

1. Sun 10:00 AM - Queer Paths (ONLINE) - (Andrine)
2. Sun 1:00 PM - Exploring Recovery from Disordered Eating (ONLINE) - (Michael)
3. Mon 7:00 AM - Dawn Metta (ONLINE) - (Duane)
4. Mon 6:30 PM - Awakening Minds - RD Mental Health (ONLINE) - (Ezra)
5. Mon 7:00 PM - Dharma Rain (ONLINE) - (Bryan)
6. Wed 5:00 PM - RD Academy: Ethics & the Precepts (Eleanor)
7. Thu 12:00 PM - Alano Meeting - (IN-PERSON) - (Tom)
8. Sat 9:00 AM - Metta-Morphosis (ONLINE) - (Scott)
9. Sat 11:30 AM - Womens, Trans, and Non-Binary In-Person Sangha - (Anna)
10. Sat 7:00 PM - Meditation Sandwich (IN-PERSON) - (Gordon)

Non-voting - Hiatus:

1. Sun 6:30 PM - 3 Jewels: Mindful Movement
2. Mon 7:00 PM - Heart of Wisdom (IN-PERSON)
3. Wed 7:00 PM - Women, Trans, Non-Binary Meeting (ONLINE)
4. Thu 7:00 PM - Vancouver Vipassana - (ONLINE)

Absent Q1 2023 (A Q1 Absence Influences Quorum Count):

1. Sun 4:00 PM - Middle Way on MLK (IN-PERSON)
2. Mon 5:30 PM - Three Jewels Recovery Dharma Meditation
3. Tue 8:00 PM - Men's Candlelight Meeting (ONLINE)
4. Wed 7:00 PM - Kaiser Sunnyside - (ONLINE)
5. Fri 5:15 PM - Queerly Beloved - (HYBRID) - (Asa)
6. Fri 6:00 PM - Forest Grove Recovery Club (IN-PERSON)
7. Fri 9:00 PM - Moonlight Meditation (ONLINE)
8. Sat 7:00 PM - Virtual Sandwich (ONLINE)
9. Sat 9:00 PM - Disco Dharma - (ONLINE)

Non-voting - Inquiry Circle and Support: Open Call for Support

Sangha Check-in and Status Reports [Secretaries/Proxies]

- Sun 10:00 AM - Queer Paths (ONLINE) - (Andrine)
 - Healthy meeting, 4-12 people
 - Building Leadership – 3 facilitators

- Sun 1:00 PM - Exploring Recovery from Disordered Eating (ONLINE) - (Michael)
 - Very healthy 15-25 people
 - Lots of new people
 - Developing new leadership

- Mon 7:00 AM - Dawn Metta (ONLINE) - (Duane)
 - 3 facilitators rotate
 - 8-15 regularly attend
 - Changed meeting to 7am most days

- Mon 6:30 PM - Awakening Minds - RD Mental Health (ONLINE) - (Ezra)
 - Healthy turnout most weeks, about 10 people
 - Have about 4 facilitators

- Mon 7:00 PM - Dharma Rain (ONLINE) - (Bryan)
 - Members vary from season to season, usually around 10-15 people
 - Lots of folks come and go
 - Split facilitating btw Bryan and Stuart- trying to find more people to participate
 - Consistent and maintainable

- Wed 5:00 PM - RD Academy: Ethics & the Precepts (Eleanor)
 - Changing Sangha – may alter listing of meeting, and voting status
 - Participation varies 4-18 people per week
 - Really needs a co-host
 - PDX intersangha will continue posting the meeting for her, and the meeting will be removed from voting quorum

- Thu 12:00 PM - Alano Meeting - (IN-PERSON) - (Tom)
 - 12-16 people regularly, sometimes less. Not back to pre-covid numbers.
 - 3 co-facilitators
 - Looking to try some new ideas to change it up a little bit

- Sat 9:00 AM - Metta-Morphosis (ONLINE) - (Scott)
 - 9-12 people regularly
 - Healthy meeting – people stepping up to participate
 - Bybee Lakes joins the meeting frequently

- Sat 11:30 AM - Womens, Trans, and Non-Binary In-Person Sangha - (Anna)
 - Meeting doing well participant wise
 - 7-15 people regularly attend
 - Down to 2 facilitators, from 4 – making things challenging, i.e. unlocking doors
 - Needs books

- o Difficult to attend meeting when quarterly and working group meetings occur at the same time as the meeting
- Sat 7:00 PM - Meditation Sandwich (IN-PERSON) - (Gordon)
 - o Slimmed down from prior meetings
 - o 14-20 people attend regularly
 - o Gordon is the only facilitator – hoping to get some more people involved

Treasurer Report [Scott]

- Accounts
 - o Checking - \$651.18
 - o PayPal - \$2312.33
 - o Total - \$2963.51
- Global Donation - \$352.70 (20% of balance above prudent reserve of \$1200)
- Expenses (Year to Date)
 - o Online Support - \$473.13 (15%)
 - o Books - \$422.45 (13%)
 - o Unity - \$104 (3%)
 - o Global Donations - \$841.27 (26%)
 - o Summit - \$1382.60 (43%)
 - o Total - \$3223.45
- Total Dana In - \$4603.16
- Summit is the largest expense
- Huge spike in expense in May for Summit

Committee/Position Position Descriptions

- Chair – Heather/Bryan
- Treasury - Scott
- Secretary - Stuart
- Communications – Heather/Bryan

Nominations and Elections

- Co-Chair
- Co-Treasurer
- Co-Secretary – Ezra (voted in unanimously)
- Communications
- Co-Communication -Anna (voted in unanimously)
- Brining back more nominations at the next intersangha working group meeting next month (Feb 11) to be ratified at next quarterly

Committee Recruiting

- Wise Friends – Michael taking chair back, Scott as co-chair
 - Combine w programs
 - Workshop in April – Boundaries (Eleanor)
 - Probably last weekend in April
 - Would like a co-host for a difference in perspective
 - Consult w Meetings – development
 - Inviting local teachers – deeper dive in different aspect of Buddhism
- Unity – Robin looking for more members of the Unity Committee to help out
 - Voted to allow Unity \$100 maximum expense per month for events
- Summit
 - email intersangha to express interest in joining committee to help organize Summit
 - looking to have monthly meetings, like Wise Friends group
 - Eleanor and Stuart both volunteered for the Summit Committee

Service

- Bybee Lakes currently attending 9am Saturday meeting. Looking to start their own meeting. Could be hybrid of online and in-person.
- Need facilitator for Kaiser Brookside – 2x/month over Zoom. 7pm, days TBD.

New Business

- Anna created FB events – any changes, let Anna know

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