



# Sacramento Insight Meditation

## FINAL

### Sacramento Insight Meditation Board Meeting Minutes March 13, 2023

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Sacramento Insight Meditation (SIM) Board of Directors was convened at 6:00 PM on Monday, March 13, 2023 via teleconferencing.

#### Attendance

<b>President</b>	Jon Siiteri	<b>Member-At-Large</b>	Amy Kovak
<b>Vice President</b>	Absent	<b>YPS Rep</b>	Absent
<b>Treasurer</b>	Greg Gollihur	<b>Faculty Rep</b>	Diane Wilde
<b>Secretary</b>	Alice Carney	<b>SDC Rep</b>	Greg Gollihur
<b>Recorder</b>	Absent	<b>Member-At-Large</b>	Karen Tercho

#### Beginnings (6:00-6:20)

Sitting and Reading of Board Participation Guidelines

Personal Check-In

## **Minutes**

Board Minutes for February 13, 2023 were reviewed and approved.

### **1.0. Fiscal**

#### **1.1 February Financial Reports**

Greg reported SIM's finances are in the black, no major changes. Financial reports are on Google drive below [February financial statement](#)

After discussion, it was agreed that longitudinal data would be useful. Greg reported that Sabitre has a plug-in that will show the trend of dana donations. He will ask her to make the information available to the Board.

#### **1.2 Proposal to change BofA SIM Account Signatories**

Jon presented for vote Resolution —2023-001 (Changes to Bank of America Signatories). Passed unanimously.

Alice, as Secretary, will sign the proposal, get the signed copy to Jon. Jon, Greg and Sara will take the document to BofA on Friday March 17th to formally complete the changes.

#### **1.3 Legacy Project Evaluation**

Jon led a discussion on the need for clarity of the Board's role in fundraising and out-reach for the Legacy Project. Greg suggested that in June or July we look at how SIM is doing financially and address what we can and cannot do. He will share the SDC fundraising report with the Board.

### **2.0. Board-Faculty Communication**

#### **2.1 Faculty Report**

Diane reported that the Noble Eightfold Path course is full. She also reported that Diane Clark is interested in joining the Legacy Project.

## 2.2 April Mini-Retreat

Alice reported that the retreat was announced at last Thursday's sit and fliers are ready for distribution. She suggested that the six teachers of the retreat share the information with their followers. Karen will email the teachers on this and also contact YPS. Diane will contact East Bay Sangha; Alice will ask Dennis for a contact in Benicia.

## 2.3 Teacher Liaison Committee (Karen)

Karen and Jennifer Powers will be Zoom hosts for the April retreat. Jon will be a back-up host.

## **3.0. Operations Issues**

### 3.1 Board member activities

Jon will create a narrative of Board member activity based on the responses to the questions he sent out.

### 3.2 Website Committee Report

Alice, Amy, and Karen agreed to set a specific date for the launch of the website.

### 3.3 Discuss change to earlier start or length of Thursday Program.

A discussion was held in response to requests from sangha members to end the Thursday night sessions earlier. The Board agreed to propose starting at 7 PM (with a very short announcement segment); having a short break (five minutes?) and ending the second half by 8:30 PM. There was a suggestion that social time be offered at the end of the session from 8:30 to

9:00 PM. Diane will share the idea with the Faculty and report back to the Board.

### 3.4 Action Item List

Jon asked the Board to review the action items on Google Drive.

## **4.0. Community Outreach**

### 4.1 YPS Update

Karen reported that YPS continues to meet regularly.

### 4.2 Community Outreach Committee

Because the duties and purpose of this committee were not clear, a discussion concluded that we need

- a) a committee to organize for fund-raising
- b) a way —or person—to determine who our members are and to compile a contact list
- c) determine how we develop a sense of community.

Jon suggested another (similar to February’s meeting) Board/Faculty meeting to discuss the issues and develop a plan. Jon will create a Doodle poll for the Board/Faculty to determine a date for a joint meeting.

## **5.0. Retreat and Class Updates**

### 5.1 Residential retreat 2023

Jon and Greg both committed to “knocking on doors” to find a retreat manager. They will also serve a liaison with Robin at the Mercy Retreat Center.

### 5.2 Class Updates

Amy reported no new Beginning Meditation Course until the Fall. Dennis has a Fall schedule; the registrar's duties are quiet right now.

## **6.0. Volunteer Updates**

### 6.1 Volunteer Update

Jon reported that Jennifer Powers is on the TLC and working with Margaret. Simon A. will volunteer on an as-needed basis.

Jon volunteered to work on a generic statement for the website and newsletter in the event of the need to hold a sit only on Zoom in the case of bad weather.

## **7.0. SDC**

### 7.1 SDC Report

Both Diane Wilde and Barbara Colton will be leaving the SDC Board this year, therefore at least one more representative, in addition to Greg Gollihur, from SIM is needed.

Meeting ended at 8:14 pm

## **8.0. Next Board Meeting**

**April 10, 2023 @ 6pm - 8:30pm**

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**Respectfully Submitted,  
Alice Carney, Secretary**