

Laughing Rivers Sangha CCC Meeting Minutes for June 3, 2014

**Members in Attendance:** Denys Candy, George Hoguet, Mike Milberger, Stephanie Miller, Aaron Teague

Minutes from CCC's last meeting were approved.

**Update on Committee Reports:**

- **Practice Committee** – no report
- **Finance** - Report attached. Checking account balance \$7045. Establishing a regular amount for Chan Huy's dana was discussed. An understanding was reached that the sangha would provide Chan Huy with \$2000 in dana per retreat; there is no contract or agreement between the sangha and Chan Huy. Requests for additional funds, through dana requests, will be made to the sangha ahead of the monastic visit.
- **Communication**- Laughing Rivers Sangha now has a facebook page, accessible via [www.facebook.com/laughingrivers](http://www.facebook.com/laughingrivers). This is an additional vehicle for outreach and promotion of events.
- **Retreat Committee** – George, although not a member of the Retreat Committee, did present a financial report – see attached. The spring commuter retreat was a success, with an average of 30 persons in attendance each day.

Old Business:

- **Dzogchen Sangha** – Denys will take care of delivering a gift from LRS to the Dzogchen Sangha.
- **LRS/Dharma Teacher Relationship** - report attached.
- **Vesak** – a number of LRS members attended the Vesak celebration, including our teacher Chan Huy. Nine members chanted as part of the ceremony after a procession to the river.
- **Blue Cliff Monastic Visit** – Six monastics will be visiting Pittsburgh from Blue Cliff Monastery. They will arrive Friday, August 29 and depart Tuesday, September 2. On Saturday, August 30, they will help to lead a public Day of Mindfulness, organized by Dawn Lehman and Stephanie Miller. On Sunday, August 31, they will attend and speak at the church service at First United Methodist Church, organized by George Hoguet and Denys Candy. Following the service, they will have lunch at Panera. Sangha members will be invited to attend lunch. On Monday, September 1, the monastics will go sightseeing, possibly led by Mike Millberger. On Tuesday, they will attend sangha, where we will recite the Five Mindfulness Trainings.

No new business.

**Next Meeting** – Tuesday, September 9 at 5:15 pm. Location TBD.

**Three reports attached:** Financial report, dharma teacher sharing report, and spring retreat financial report.