

ZPI – Colorado Peacemakers
Quarterly Meeting Minutes

Participants: Gyodo Sensei, Shishin Roshi, Karin Roshi, Billy Wynne, Yosi Lutwick, Grant Couch, David Loy, Amy Strickland, Greg Clark

Agenda

Sit

Introductions & Way of Council

Review of Recent Activities^[L]_[SEP]

Opportunities for Service over the Winter^[L]_[SEP] Aim for one opportunity per quarter^[P]_[SEP]

Gyodo Sensei started meeting at 4:00 PM

5 minute sit

Council

Suggested topic – how is Peacemaking showing up in our practice today.

ShiShin Roshi – Survival of Zen Centers. How to continue to function as a Sangha.

Others agree these ‘pilot lights’

Karin Roshi Dedication – Bodhisattva Vow – Liberate all beings

ShiShin Roshi – trying to find a sustainable way to practice and format a Zen Center’s business / teaching model. Moving from Retreat based to Residential based.

Recent Activities

Grant – Dedication Healing and Benefits to all those who don’t have the privilege we have. ZPI – moving council on 9/11. Has given two talks on politics. Shishin will hold council Friday after the election. ZPI screen has been traditionally very white. Has worked on diversity and inclusion.

Greg – coat drive through October 15.

David – gave talk last spring on zen peacemakers regarding eco dharma. Hasn’t had many responses on questionnaire regarding eco dharma.

Sensei noted that the political and racial crises have pre-empted climate crisis

Gyodo Sensei Shoun is now ZPI Exec Director and has announced each week. Perhaps Shishin and Karin Roshis could get the upcoming ZPI schedules and announce to sanghas.

Karin indicated that Billy and I could post ZPI upcoming events on ZCD Listserve.

Karin – some activity with people responding to needs of other members of the community.

Opportunities for Service over the Winter

Billy suggests quarterly service opportunity

Gyodo – because on-site retreats will not happen for 6 months or longer. How can we invite people in to practice together?

Karin – a continuing need is hunger and food around the holidays

Greg – will check out opportunities for service and will communicate to group.

Billy – vigil on election day.

Grant – maintain focus on non-attachment.

Gyodo Sensei concluded meeting at 5:37 PM