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The Zen Studies Society Board of Trustees Meeting Tuesday, January 26, 1982 - The New York Zendo Shobo-ji

Present: Eido Tai Shimano Roshi, Aiho Yasuko Shimano, Jochi George Zournas, Korin Sylvan Busch, Rinko Peggy Crawford, Jikei Jean Bankier, Mushin Frank LoCicero

Also Present: Bugyo David Schneyer, Zenrin Bob Lewis, Genro Lee Milton, Kogen Mike Raftery

Financial reports were made by the three treasurers as follows:

For the Zen Studies Society, Aiho said that as of January 26, the savings account balance was \$5,421.58, the checking account balance \$2,872.12, and the value of Nomura Securities stood at \$114,247.73.

For Dai Bosatsu, Bugyo reported that the total income in 1981 was \$107,972.28, and total expenditures were \$100,330.42. The savings account balance stood at \$10,008.02; the checking account at \$1,100, and cash on hand at \$300.

For New York Zendo, Mushin said that as at December 31, the savings account balance was \$3,541; petty cash savings was \$1,318; the checking account was \$7,015, and cash on hand was \$81. The total gross income for the past year was \$52,702, and total expenses were \$51,966.

Roshi said that effective January 27, 1982, Mushin would become treasurer of the New York Zendo, Genro assistant treasurer and Jikei and Korin advisors. By way of thanking Jikei for her help, the Zen Studies Society presented her with a Seiko watch.

Jochi read aloud a letter dated January 13 from Koshin Harvey Ussery in which he submitted his resignation from the boar

The subject then was addressed as to how to operate the two Zendos with especial reference to Dai Bosatsu.

Roshi said that the original intention of establishing a country Zendo had been to have a permanent place of our own for sesshins. The monastic aspect, kesseis and so on, evolved later, and when it did, demanded an inordinate amount of Roshi's time and energy. Since March of 1981, the state of his health has precluded his spending as much time as formerly at DBZ. For various reasons, some monks and residents have left. After considerable discussion, the board decided that for the time being, the following measures would be taken:

Cancel the "spring" and "fall" kesseis, but make it a yearround kessei;

Continue to hold the usual number of sesshins with the exception of January, 1983--to be led, health permitting, by Roshi;

Open the doors of DBZ to everyone during an extended summer period, and to anyone with some sitting experience at sesshins;

Aside from sesshins, limit DBZ during off-season months to male resident-students and the remaining monks;

Stiffen acceptance standards for off-season periods, and limit stays of first-time acceptees to two or three weeks.

The Roshi appointed Bugyo resident director of DBZ and Zenrin assistant director. He then asked Jochi to continue as president of the Zen Studies Society and Korin as vice president. Aiho will continue as treasurer of the Zen Studies Society, and Jikei as secretary of the Society. Rinko will be Roshi's secretary and responsible for the newsletter.

Bugyo David Schneyer and Genro Lee Milton were named to the board of trustees of the Zen Studies Society.

There being no further business on the agenda, the meeting was concluded.

Dikei Dem Bankier

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