## Santa Cruz Zen Center Board of Trustees Meeting Tuesday, August 27, 2013 6:35pm to 8:30pm - Zendo

**Present**: Edie Brown, President, Chuck Overley, Vice President, Michael Bashista, Treasurer, Liz Milazzo, Secretary; Nanette Overley, Administrator; at large: Sally Aguirre, Jeff Sherman, Chris Davidson, Brian Corser (arrived late)

Absent: Rob Hoogner

On Leave: Lisa Noble, member at large

Leaders in Attendance: Patrick

**Book Project (Report by Dana Tagaki):** Edited collection of Katherine's teachings. Small group met in January (group: Natalie Goldberg, Beth MacCanlies, Bill Anelli, Dana Takagi, John Light, Patrick Teverbaugh, Cathi Toldi) and 2x since then (last in early August).

We need a written agreement with Natalie Goldberg to clarify intellectual property ownership. It is anticipated that Natalie will pursue a book contract. A book contract usually specifies advances, share agreement with the author, copyright, future editions, hardback sales, etc. **Patrick will assist in identifying an attorney interested in working with SCZC to draft an agreement with Natalie Goldberg and clarify intellectual property rights.** Dana will continue as Board Liaison to this book project group and report back to the Board. 60 talks have been edited so far. Source documents for this book project are Katherine's talks at SCZC (tapes and CD's) as well as SCZC newsletters written by Katherine. Edie will work with Dana and an attorney **to develop a written agreement with Natalie and clarify intellectual property rights.** 

## **Community Comments: none**

New and Continuing Items

## Treasurer's Report:

- Capital campaign so far \$8866 (includes checks received by Edie but not yet transferred to Savings).
- Maryann, RBC financial advisor, recommended 40% in CD's rather than bonds due to market changes. This has been approved by the board financial sub-committee and implemented.
- Michael will re-contact Claudia at Assessor's office to see if tax exemptions can be reinstated for 119 School Street
- Reserve study recommends spending \$25,000 in next year for property upkeep
- Income ytd a little behind budgeted, expenses also below budgeted.
- Membership at about 70% of projected for year