## Siri Singh Sahib Corporation Khalsa Council Presentation

April 20, 2024

## Khalsa Council Agenda

#### SSSC Agenda:

- Board Co-Presidents' Address Sham Kaur
- Executive Director's Report Satwant Singh, Executive Director
- Ethics & Professional Standards Update Manjot Singh, Executive Director
- Human Rights Commission Update Guru Raj Singh, Project Manager
- BASEE and SSSC Project Update Sat Akal Kaur, Director of Operations
- SSSC Committees & Commissions update Sat Akal Kaur & Ananda Hargeet
- Information & Communication Committee update Ananda Hargeet, Meeting
   & Project Manager
- Office of Public Affairs Presentation Satwant Singh

## SSSC Role for For Profits and NonProfits

- Shareholder of KIIT (Khalsa International Industries & Trade)
- Member of the Non Profit Organizations:
  - LYB Foundation Legacy of Yogi Bhajan Foundation (same as SSSC Board)
  - SDI Sikh Dharma International
  - SDEI Sikh Dharma Education International
  - 3HO Happy, Healthy and Holy Foundation
  - 3HO Europe Happy, Healthy and Holy Foundation, Europe
  - KRI Kundalini Research Institute
  - SikhNet
- Appoints Board Members to the above entities
- Appoints the Board of LYF Management (property manager)

# SSSC Board Resignations & Election Update

The following SSSC board members resigned:

As of April 2, 2024

Amrit Singh Khalsa

MSS Guru Raj Kaur Khalsa

Hari Charn Kaur Khalsa

As of April 14, 2024

Ek Ong Kaar Kaur Michaud

## Legal Update

- Changing law firms from Lewis Roca to Husch Blackwell
  - Scott Browning & Jessica Fuller & team moved
- IHRP closure
- Litigation update
  - Two lawsuits
  - Other potential claims

## Constituent Board Appointments

#### The SSSC appointed new board members:

#### LYF

September 29, 2023
Sat Gurumukh Singh Khalsa, Albuquerque, NM

#### 3**HO**

October 26, 2023

Rupinder Kaur Khalsa, Ontario, Canada

## Constituent Board Appointments

#### SDI

January 17, 2024
Sukhdev Kaur Khalsa, Estonia
Kirti Kaur- Khalsa, Espoñola, NM
Charansev Kaur Khalsa, Viña del Mar, Chile
Gurutej Singh Khalsa, Singapore
Siri Pritam Kaur Khalsa (Chair), Yuba City, CA

#### SDEI

January 24, 2024

Dharamjot Kaur/ Chen Wei, Guangdong, China
Amrit Kaur Khalsa, Herndon, VA

Harimandir Kaur Khalsa, Santa Fe, NM

Sat Kartar Singh Bird, Santa Fe, NM

And reappointed:

Harimandir Singh Khalsa (Chair), Santa Cruz, NM Harjinder Ruby Kaur, Toronto, Canada Siri Sant Kaur Khalsa, France

## Constituent Board Appointments

#### **KRI**

February 29, 2024
Aman Jiwan Kaur/ Ellen Lenny-Pessagno, Matthews, NC
Dharam Dev Kaur Khalsa, Los Angeles, CA
Harimandir Kaur Khalsa (Chair), Santa Fe, NM
Jaap Kaur Khalsa, Mesa, AZ
Nam Kaur Khalsa, Santa Barbara, CA
Sat Kartar Singh Bird, Santa Fe, NM

## Constituent Board Changes

Constituent board members that resigned:

March 10, 2024 3HO

Simran Randeep Singh/Tim Mills

The SSSC removed board members:

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October 25, 2023

Linda Shottes-Bouchard

Shanti Preet Kaur

Anand Singh

Dr. Onna Lo Sat Darshan Kaur

The SSSC removed board members:

KRI

February 29, 2024

Nirvair Singh

Guru Sahai Singh

Gurucharan Singh

Gurujiwan Kaur

Dashmesh Kaur

Raj Karam Singh

Joanna Dunbar

### SSSC Motions

SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

The SSSC approves the Operating Protocols for the SSSC Committees, Commissions and Task Forces. PASSES

OCTOBER 18, 2023

The Siri Singh Sahib Corporation Board of Trustees, meeting as the member of 3HO International, approves and adopts the version of the 3HO bylaws given here as Attachment A.

Issues relating to the Director of Spiritual Trust will be resolved definitively by June 1, 2024.

We understand that the 3HO Bylaws are incomplete without the Director of Spiritual Trust being addressed within said bylaws.

PASSES

### SSSC Motions

#### FEBRUARY 14, 2024

Whereas, it has been requested that the SSSC Board approve an appointment to the position of Secretary General of Sikh Dharma International, and the SSSC Board has carefully considered this matter; and

Whereas, the SSSC Board believes that it is premature to approve an appointment of Prem Kaur Khalsa to the position of Secretary General of Sikh Dharma International until she has had the opportunity to serve SDI and demonstrate the skills necessary for this position;

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED that the SDI board create a new Officer position, such as "Acting Secretary General," which may fulfill all the responsibilities of the Secretary General position in the event that no Secretary General is in place. This position may provide an opportunity for Prem Kaur to gain experience in executing the tasks of the Secretary General and demonstrate her qualifications for the role.

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED that the SSSC Board revisit the appointment of a new Secretary General of SDI at such time that Prem Kaur Khalsa has had experience fulfilling these responsibilities and can demonstrate her readiness for the position.

**PASSES** 

# Office of Ethics & Professional Standards Update

# SSSC Human Rights Commission Update

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### 3. Onboarding New Members

What is the training process for new Board members?

#### 2. Board Appointment

Process of appointing new Board members. This includes the interview process and the SSSC Approval Process.

#### 1. Board Solicitation

How do boards choose candidates and communicate their wants and requirements for new Board Members.



#### 4. Assessing Boards

How do current Boards function?
What are the strengths and challenges of the Board?

#### 5. Board Education

Based o the challenges, what education can the board undertake to improve their dynamics?

#### 6. Board Renewal Process

How can Board members continue to serve? What is the process for leaving?

## SSSC Projects & Highlights

- Save Our Songs Fundraiser, December 2023
- Launched the SSSC Sangat Newsletter December 2023
- SSSC adds communitywide meditation on Mondays, October 9, 2023
- Shakti Parwha Kaur global memorial event, December 2, 2024
- Added Board Updates to the Sangat Newsletter February 2024
- Trip to India (MPA), March 6, 2024
- SSSC Website updates: new colors, new Feedback Loop, Sangat newsletter archive, community meditation, March 2024
- Election Report, completed March 2024

## Newsletters



#### Kundalini Yoga & Sikh Dharma Newsletter January 2024

Blessings in the New Year! The monthly Kundalini Yoga & Sikh Dharma Newsletter keeps you updated on important SSSC announcements and events as well as those of SSSC constituent organizations.

What's happening at 3HO Europe?

Walcome 2021 Integrate Polarity

#### Announcements

White Tantric Yoga ® 2024



White Tantric Yoga ® 2024 is starting in February with a workshop every weekend.

Click here to view the 2024 schedule:

#### Read the 2023 SSSC End of Year Report here:

CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE REPORT: 2023 SSSC End of Year Report.pdf

2023 SSSC END OF YEAR REPORT JANUARY - DECEMBER 2023



#### Kundalini Yoga & Sikh Dharma Newsletter April 2024

Sat Nam,

Happy Spring! We are excited to bring you all the news from the SSSC Legacy organizations.

Blessings,

SSSC Administration

## Trip to India





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#### **Communication Committee topics & tasks**

- 1. Revise 3HO Europe Board Member Job Description
- 2. Revise SDI Board Member Job Description
- 3. Review Sangat & Intra-organization Newsletters for January
- 4. New SSSC Board Update section of Newsletter
- 5. Review Organization description page on website
- 6. Revise SDEI Board Member Job Description
- 7. Draft Process for approved communications
- 8. Review February Sangat Newsletter
- 9. Review 2023 End of Year Report
- 10. Draft Thank you letter to outgoing constituent Board Members
- 11. Review Feedback Loop responses from Sangat
- 12. Draft response to emails to the SSSC regarding KRI Board member removal
- 13. Review April Newsletter
- 14. Review Board Member Job Description template

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#### Governance Committee topics & tasks

- 1. Changes to the BASEE process
- 2. Motion to reinstate Tim Mills (Simran Randeep Singh)
- 3. Director of Spiritual Trust (ongoing issue)
- 4. Exit Interviews
- 5. Election Report
- 6. New Governance Committee Chairperson
- 7. Face to Face meeting for the Board
- 8. Operating Protocols for SSSC Committees, Commissions, and Task Forces
- 9. SSSC Board Member requirements
- 10. SDEI new & reappointed Board Members
- 11. Social Media Policy
- 12. Approve members for SDI Board
- 13. KRI Interview Commission
- 14. Appointment of the Secretary General of SDI
- 15. New Election Process
- 16. Approval of 3HO Europe board members

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#### **SSSC Finance Committee topics**

- 1. CCC Grants
- 2. Tax Compliance
- 3. KIIT
- 4. OPA
- 5. Khalsa Family Farm
- 6. 990
- 7. SSSC Cash Flow

# SSSC Committee & Commission Update Oct. 1, 2023 - April 1, 2024

#### **SSSC Legal Committee topics**

- 1. Lewis Roca (Lawyers) and Litigation updates
- 2. KIIT
- 3. Legal Decision making

# Information & Communication Committee Update

Oct. 1, 2023 - April 1, 2024

#### Information & Communication Commission topics & tasks

- 1. Organization updates
- 2. Guru Ram Das Ashram LA
- 3. Prioritization of topics
- 4. Election Process
- 5. Commission participation from all the organizations
- 6. Multilingual capacities to reach the sangat
- 7. Commission to focus on promoting yoga to reach more people

## Office of Public Affairs

## Time for Q & A