Minutes of Japanese Garden Steering Committee Meeting
February 13, 2006

Present: Todd Lewis, Karen Turner, Mark Lincicome, Miyumi Lincicome, George Hoffmann, Josh Farrell, Bill Shea, Leila Philip, Sarah Rowe, Edmund A. Schofield

1. Welcome, introductions and acknowledgement of New Committee members.
Prof. Joshua Farrell, Assistant Professor of Chemistry (HC class of ’92)
Sarah Rowe, HC ’98, Tea Pottery Master
Edmund A. Schofield, Director of Education, Tower Hill Botanic Garden

Glen Pereira, Urasenke tea master based in Boston
Kim McElaney, Director, Chaplin’s office

2. Identification of Key Individuals with Expertise
Glen Pereiera, an Urasenke Tea master who lives in Boston
Douglas Roth/Tamao Goda, of Rockport, ME Pruning and Plant experts, Japanese Gardens
George Hoffmann will follow up

3. News and Discussion: College trustees have approved the Development Office sending out materials to prospective donors; discussion of what our task is: to identify any prospective donors and the expectation of turning over any leads to the Development Office

4. Discussion of the Jesuit Connection to Japanese Gardens in the Classical Era: Jiao Rodrigues and the logic of support for the garden in a Jesuit college

5. Future Work of the Steering Committee
Augmenting the web site (faculty letters, etc.) for potential donors
Tea Ceremony Workshop in late April/early May with Glen
(TL will announce date when fixed)

6. For future consideration:
Visiting other college tea gardens in NE (Smith, Amherst, Wesleyan)?
Planting some likely trees, bamboo, for future use, etc.?
Group trip to Japan (US Dept of Ed Grant?)