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Board of Trustees

MINUTES

February 11, 2022

Online

Documents sent via email prior to meeting

From Nelle:

- Annual Calendar for Board meetings for 2022
- Direction Setting for 2022 draft
- 2021 ED Performance Review-Board Requests
- TIFI BoD 2022.02 Agenda

From Catherine:

- 2021 actuals and draft 2022 budget for final approval
- Narrative report on 2021 actuals and draft 2022 budget
- ED report to TIFI board 2022.02
- Goals and Plans for 2022
- Draft minutes 2022.01

PRESENT

Nelle Moffett, Florentina Sassoli, Darryl Commings, Evelyn Fendler-Lee, Peter Afford, Catherine Torpey

We welcomed new Coordinator, Ria van Hage from The Netherlands.

I. ATTUNEMENT

Attunement was led by Darryl, who also took minutes for the meeting.

II. MINUTES

The minutes of the January meeting were approved with some minor changes.

III. TAE PROFICIENCY AWARD PROCESS

Evelyn presented an outline of a proposed process for receiving a TAE Proficiency Award. This new award process is modeled after the Certification process. Next steps included identifying current teachers and obtaining from them feedback on the proposed process.

The Board agreed in principle with the proposed process, understanding that edits are likely once we receive feedback from TAE stakeholders.

IV. GENDLIN CENTER UPDATE

Evelyn reported that the first recipient (in 2018) of the Gendlin Grant has published the findings of his research in the Journal of Person-Centered and Experiential Psychotherapies. The name of the article is "Focusing, the Felt Sense, and the Meaning of Life" by Siebrecht Vanhooren, PhD.

V. NOMINATIONS

Following the new process that members of the Nominating Committee must be approved by the Board, Flor presented two names of people who have been asked to join the Nominating Committee: Amona Buechler and Astrid Schillings, both of Germany. Both were approved by the Board to be new members of the Nominating Committee.

Meeting adjourned to closed session for the purpose of reviewing ED's 2021 performance appraisal.

The next Board meeting will be on Friday March 11, 2022 at 12noon (U.S. Eastern time)