



THE INTERNATIONAL FOCUSING INSTITUTE

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Board of Trustees

MINUTES

December 10, 2021

Online

Documents sent via email prior to meeting

From Nelle:

- Annual Calendar for Board meetings
- November minutes
- Direction Setting for 2022 draft
- Diversity Portfolio for Draft letter
- Agenda

From Catherine:

12 year financial snapshot 2008 to 2020

Sources of funding 2014-2020

TIFI ED report to BoD

Website update for board 2021.12

PRESENT

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

I. ATTUNEMENT

II. MINUTES

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

III. RESIGNATIONS

Catherine announced that she'd received a phone call from Paula Nowick, who must resign from the board after five and a half years of faithful service.

Flor announced that Nada Lou has resigned from the Nominating Committee. She had served for 3 years.

IV. DIVERSITY & INCLUSION STATEMENT (Evelyn)

Evelyn presented a draft of the "Diversity and Inclusion Statement", and a number of suggestions of edits were made. This is a separate statement from the Diversity of Approaches statement, and this is the first time the board discussed it. Catherine and Evelyn took notes on the suggested changes and will send a

revision to the board. Next, the ILC and Membership Committee will be consulted before inviting comments from members, in accordance with the timeline presented in November.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORTING

A written report was submitted in advance, as well as a website report. The following items were discussed:

- the budget
- the 3 new lower price levels of membership, which will be implemented in January
- the successful receipt of \$3,000 in royalties from Guilford Press
- the Facets of Focusing Online Summit
- the website, especially the online store and streaming videos; a decision needs to be made as to whether it makes sense to continue to try to create the store on our site or to choose a service such as Shopify
- the Felt Sense Conference with the theme of Embodied Justice was a success, it got excellent opinions, 163 participants, 33 people presenting, and 10 volunteers.

VI. DIRECTION SETTING FOR 2022

Nelle went through the Direction Setting document, which was approved.

Meeting closed

The next Board meeting will be on Friday January 14, 2022 at 12noon (U.S. Eastern time)