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Board of Directors

MINUTES

8th December 2023

Online

Documents sent via email prior to meeting.

- Agenda
- Board Minutes 2023.11.10

PRESENT: Nelle Moffett, Flor Sassoli, Eveline Moor Züllig, Evelyn Fendler-Lee, Veronica Urioste, Catherine Torpey and Patrick Duffy

ABSENT: Darryl Commings (excused)

GUESTS: New Coordinators: Josep Santacreu (Spain); Sergio Lara (Chile) as translator for Josep.

TAKING MINUTES: Veronica Urioste

ATTUNEMENT: Patrick Duffy

- I. Approval of Minutes – Minutes from 2023.11.10 unanimously approved.
- II. Process for Board Advisory Member position – The intention of the Board Advisory Member is to make it possible for people who wouldn't otherwise be able to serve 3 years on the Board, and especially with an eye to increasing diversity. Patrick Duffy started as an Advisory Board Member in March 2023, and will be completing his one year term at the February meeting. The Board is grateful for his involvement, which has demonstrated that this model and intention of the Board has been a success. .
- III. International Focusing Conference – Austria 2026 – Eveline Moor Züllig will be the connection from the Board to support this conference. Eveline reported that she intends to attend meetings with the organizers, and to promote it while at the European Focusing Association meeting in September. When the dates are known, the event will be listed on the TIFI website.
- IV. ILC and Board interaction – Flor shared her experience of attending the ILC meeting on the 24th November. Veronica will be representing the Board at their next meeting on the 12th December. The attendance of Board Members to the ILC meetings is a way to continue to maintain connection between the Board and ILC .

- V. Executive Director Report – This month, there was not a written report. Catherine presented an oral report on the following topics:
- End of Year Fundraising – We are grateful for the yearly donations, large and small, that are given to TIFI. They range from a few dollars to \$50,000 and all add up to help us serve our mission.
 - TAE Academy is scheduled for January 2024.
 - Website views – good news that the website views keep going up. We are currently around 40,000 views a month.
 - Catherine will be spending the winter in Buenos Aires, Argentina and working from there, checking out venues for the Weeklong and connecting with Argentinian Focusers.
- VI. Brainstorming themes for “Focusing and ...” - The Board spent some time in conversation about developing new possibilities to bring innovative and new ways of engaging with Focusing. Exploring Felt Sensing And ...
- Work, Companies, Businesses
 - Organizations – including employees not limiting to Chief Executives
 - Creativity
 - Diversity
 - Young People

MEETING CLOSED

The next Board Meeting will be 12th January 2024 at 12:00 noon (U.S. Eastern time)