Governing Board of Contemplative Outreach Zoom Meeting Minutes June 7, 2022 Approved

Governing Board Members Present: Jenny Adamson, Phil Jackson, Pat Johnson, Jim McElroy, Diane Ryan, and Carol Quest

Governing Board Member Not Present: Julie Saad

Also Present: Mary Jane Yates, administrator

1. Opening Reflection: Jenny

2. Approval of Minutes: Meeting minutes for both 5/3/2022 and 5/17/22 are approved.

3. 2023 Governing Board Meetings

- February 3-9, 2023 in St. Louis (beginning after 4pm, ending by 10am) was approved by consensus.
- —Snowmass Retreat with staff for five days in May or June 2023 is under consideration. Pat Johnson will check availability.
- 4. **Finance update**—Diane and Pat summarized the COL current financial status:

Checking and savings 281,647

Investments 1,071,669.70

Total cash and investments. 1,353,317.04

Total assets \$1,473,011.36 (previous year \$1,616,167.04)

Net income as of Apr 2022. -73,666 (\$49k is investment loss)

During current market volatility, funds will be closely managed.

- **5.** Governing Board Meeting on June 21 at 9:00 AM Mountain Time, 10:00 AM Central Time will focus on the Governing Board's Role/responsibilities. Prior to the meeting, members will review the Bi-Laws, the Vision, and Julie's summary statement "Who We Are." Related question: who has responsibility for updates to the Vision Statement?
- **6. GB role in international outreach:** Jim, Pat, Carol and Jenny will represent the Board at the monthly meetings with ECI and International representatives and report back to the Board. Participation and structure of these meetings continues to evolve. This is a time for listening to one another and discerning where and how the Spirit is moving.

- **7. September 11-16, 2022 staff/board meeting:** Julie and Phil from the Board will meet with Donna Cole Struck and Matt Scrimgeour from the staff to plan the schedule and structure of this meeting.
- **8. Administrator's Report:** the Board endorsed the decision to purchase the best translation app for the Website. Requests for support for travel costs to share Centering Prayer internationally generally are to come from people in those countries requesting support for a specific program.
- **9. Contemplative Outreach contributions to the 12th Principle Fund:** Mary Jane will draft a questionnaire for funding requests. The Governing Board's role in this process will be determined following the June 21 meeting.
- **10. 2023 Conference.** This item will be addressed at the July 1 meeting. In the meantime, we will consult with Marie Howard to understand the Board's historic role in Conference Oversight.
- 11. Next Board Zoom Call July 1, 2022, Friday, 12:00 Eastern Time
- 12. Volunteer for reflection for next call?

Respectfully submitted, Carol Quest, secretary