

**Governing Board of Contemplative Outreach**  
**Zoom Meeting Minutes October 18, 2022**  
**Approved**

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

**Also Present:** Tom Carr, Leslie Geer, Sharon Junn

**1. Opening Reflection:** “If I hope to find You, I need to let go of all I think I need to know, turning from what I desire to become the emptiness You cannot resist.” (Meister Eckhart)

**2. Welcome and Orientation of New Board Members:** Tom Carr, Leslie Geer, Sharon Junn. The current members of the Board and those officially joining the Board in January 2023 introduced themselves to one another.

In response to a question about the HUB (the platform that stores the Board’s communication and documents), Julie will set up a meeting with Tom, Leslie and Sharon to explore the resources there.

**3. Minutes:** Jenny and Jim will review Sept 12-16, 2022 minutes for clarity and brevity.

**4. November 15 meeting:** Continuing the collaboration with the Staff, Julie and Matt Scrimgeour will co-facilitate this meeting with the Board and Staff. The purpose of this meeting is to compare budget priorities to identify areas of overlap and address differences.

**5 Budget related topics the Board may address at some time**

A preliminary agenda is:

- Budgets from service teams
- The Lectio Divina team request for fundsture to reprint “The Transforming Power of *Lectio Divina*” by Maria Tasto.
- 2024 conference budget (keeping in mind the current status of reserve funds)
  - Determine the need for a conference coordinator and then who hires.
  - Who determines the in-person site: investigate possibilities (set criteria: cost, attendance, accessibility for ECI)
- Circle of Friends development

**5. Next Board Zoom Call** – November 15, 12:00 PM Eastern Time

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Quest, Secretary