

Minutes of the Center for Communal Studies Advisory Board Luncheon Meeting
Wednesday, May 8, 2019, 11:00 am – 1:30 pm
USI University Center 226-227

Members Present: Gregory Brown, Jason Hardgrave, Casey Harison, Marna Hostetler, Jane Johansen, Joshua Lockyer, Susan Matarese, Graham Perry, Donald Pitzer, Silvia Rode, Michael Strezewski

Members Absent: James Beeby, Wendy Bredhold, Jennifer Greene, Donald Janzen, Carol Medlicott, Leslie Townsend

Guests: Franziska Bechtel (Frankfurt, Germany), Alex Dandy (USI student), Melinda Roberts (Assistant Dean of USI College of Liberal Arts)

Administrative Assistant: Marilyn Thielman

1. Greeting and Introductions: Director Casey Harison greeted all, noting those who traveled some distance to attend. Harison introduced guests Alex Dandy, Franzi Bechtel and Melinda Roberts (sitting in for Dean James Beeby).

2. Minutes from Fall 2019 Board Meeting: Harison asked for corrections or additions to the Minutes from the Fall 2018 Board meeting. Greg Brown moved that the Minutes; be accepted; seconded by Graham Perry

the 13th triennial meeting of the International Communal Studies Association in and around Hudson, New York (17-19 July 2019), where the conference theme was the Camphill Communities movement. The 46th annual meeting of the Communal Studies Association takes place 18-20 October 2019 at Dupont Estate in Winterthur, Delaware. Pitzer noted the passing of two important figures in communal studies: Jean Vanier

Graham Perry noted that Fort Negley in Tennessee may be designated a UNESCO World Historic Site.

Thielman and Harison will contact individual Board members whose terms are expiring.

Discussion of public events and activities for the Center in the coming year.

These include publicizing annual prizes and travel grant; publicizing new Communal Studies minor; creating new required class for the minor ("Roots of Communalism"); and continuation of a variety of projects on Marilyn's desk.

Special thanks to Marilyn Thielman for her work in organizing this meeting.

Harison thanked all who were able to come to today's Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Casey Harison, Director
Marilyn Thielman, Administrative Assistant