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**Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2020
Approved February 10, 2020**

Absent:

Josh March (sub), Nate Gurich, Michael Mayfield (sub), John Ludwick, Charles Allen, Ro Anne Royer Engle, Ruth Jefferson (sub), James Shimkus, Julie Borgmann

Guests: Diane Kallmeyer (sub for Michael Mayfield), Charlie Davis (sub for Josh March); Students Patty Salgado, Sarah Murray, Kalee Snorden, Phil Engle

Chair, Bob Koester, called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Bob welcomed everyone.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written. John Taylor noted that he did not attend the Statehouse Solar event.

Program Presentation

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Michael Burayidi's Urban Planning students presented a shortened version of their Muncie Resilience Study. During their study, the group found that Muncie has not updated its Disaster Preparedness Plan since 1963 and has no new plans in the works. The group presented their findings to the city leader of Muncie in December 2019 and hope to present to the I.D.E.A. conference on March 7, 2020.

Celebrate

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Updates on the Solar District Cup were discussed.

Red-tail Land Conservancy Conservation Awards were reviewed by the group.

Scheduled Member reports from Klaus Neumann and Chuck Allen were post-poned.

Ken Hall, Science and Humanities, reported on efforts by the Department of History to minimize its carbon footprint.

Melinda Messineo, Science and Humanities, reported on courses, research and grant efforts in the sociology and philosophy departments.

Ann Clevenger reported that not much was new at IU Health. The focus of IU Health is new construction scheduled to be completed 2022.

Facilitate

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Nurit Katz has been confirmed as the Bracken Lecture Series speaker for March 18, 7:30pm, Pruis Hall

Annette Rose discussed efforts to organize an Earth Day Celebration commemorating the 50th anniversary on April 22. Students Kalee Snorden and Phil Engle are interested and are working with groups to organize the event. They are looking for instructors interested in participating in a "teach-in". The SUST 250 class will be preparing exhibits for the Earth Day Event.

Anticipate

Unity Week will take place January 20 with Brown Bag Discussions with Dr. Beverly Tatum.

Neighborhood I.D.E.A Conference will take place March 7, 2020 at Ivy Tech's Fisher Building.

There will be a free screening of "The Reluctant Radical", Thursday, January 23 at the Unitarian Universalist Church, Muncie.

Call for session Proposals and abstracts for presentation is now open for the [14th ISCN Conference 2020, June 24-26 in Lausanne, Switzerland.](#)

Other

Jim Lowe announced that a new space committee was appointed and is currently organizing; more to follow.

Next meeting will be February 10, 2020

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.