



Albion College

STUDENT SENATE

RESOLUTION

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**Whereas**, Albion College reasserts its “drive to help each other make meaningful and educated contributions to our world,” and;

**Whereas**, Albion College seeks “effective stewardship of all our resources—physical, intellectual, environmental, human, and financial”.

**Reaffirms**, That the Albion College Student Senate, in accordance with our Constitution, [is] charged with the promotion of the welfare, protection of the rights, and representation of the opinions and interests of the students, and thus wishes to ensure the long term sustainability of Albion College.

**Stressing**, That the College must take a leading role in ensuring its own environmental sustainability along with setting an example for other like-minded schools,

1. Create a college wide plan to cut carbon emissions by at least 26 to 28 percent below 2005 levels by 2025;
2. Report on how the College is meeting its carbon emission goals on a yearly basis;
3. Focus on the adaptation of renewable resources as a source of energy for the College;
4. Increase efficiency in water and energy usage;
5. Refine existing protocols in regards to the sustainability of grounds upkeep;
6. Cooperate with other GLCA schools to share techniques and information regarding environmental sustainability;
7. Produce a plan on how climate change will impact the College directly with regards to severe weather events, soil erosion, ecosystem changes, and other possible climate related effects;
8. Recommends that the College endowment be free of coal extraction companies by 2025.

**Urges**, That the College set up an advisory committee consisting of community leaders, scientific experts, staff members, students and other officials to establish and meet these goals.

**Resolved**, That the Albion College Student Senate wishes to ensure the long-term environmental viability of Albion College and desires that the College take appropriate steps to guarantee that this occurs.

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