

RESOLUTION 0008
STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD

University of Pittsburgh

30 March 2010

Introduced by Board Member Phil LaRue

Co-sponsored by Allocations Chairman Matt Grau, Board Member Zack Bombatch, Board Member Dave Gau, Board Member Ali Noorbaksh, Board Member Laura Paiewonsky, Board Member Dave Petrone, Board Member Sam Rezaeian, Board Member Molly Stieber

WHEREAS, The main initiative of the 2010 Student Government Board of the University of Pittsburgh is known as “On the Prowl To A Blue, Gold, and Green Campus,” demonstrating a commitment to improving environmental sustainability at the University of Pittsburgh.

WHEREAS, The University of Pittsburgh currently receives a “C” rating on the College Sustainability Report Card, including a “C” for student involvement.

WHEREAS, Universities and colleges across the United States have utilized collegiate green funds to bolster campus sustainability through such various projects as: energy efficiency improvements to campus buildings, energy conservation competitions among students, and sustainability education programs.

WHEREAS, Over 10% of the student body of the University of Pittsburgh has endorsed the creation of a University of Pittsburgh Green Fund through petition signatures (1,618 signatures exactly as of March 18, 2010).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, On this 30th of March, in the year 2010, that in response to growing student support for a University of Pittsburgh Green Fund program:

- (1) That Student Government Board will create a pilot program for Fiscal Year 2010-11 with the intent of demonstrating the viability of a University of Pittsburgh Green Fund to be used for the following stated purpose: “promoting sustainable growth, practices, and education at the University of Pittsburgh, with the express intent of improving the quality of life for all undergraduate students at the University.”

- (2) That Student Government Board will create a pilot program for a Student Sustainable Projects Committee (hereafter: SSPC) to manage allocation of the funds according to the rules and procedures set forth in the proposed charter of the SSPC and in accordance with all existing Student Affairs and Student Life policies.
- (3) That the pilot programs for the University of Pittsburgh Green Fund and SSPC will be geared toward the eventual implementation of a permanent SSPC.