

Conservation Council Working Group for Planning for Carbon Neutrality in Response to the
Presidents Climate Commitment

Membership:

Co-Chairs: Ben Dixon (Coordinator of Regional Development and Sustainability – Member of Conservation Council) and Jeff Chiarenzelli (Geology – Member of Faculty Council and ISAC);

Conservation Council: Carrie Johns (Environmental Studies), Karl McKnight (Biology), Eric Williams-Bergen (Science Librarian), Katie Craig (Associate Director of the Outdoor Program), Louise Gava (Coordinator of Campus Sustainability), and Erin Griffin '09 (Student);

Additional members: Jon Rosales (Environmental Studies – Fall 2008), Amanda Lavigne (Environmental Studies), Brad Baldwin (Biology), Tom Greene (Psychology), Catherine Boulatoff (Economics), Rick Scott (Assistant Director of HVAC and Utilities), Dan Seaman (Director of Facilities and Construction Planning), Karl Schoenberg (Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs), and Tom Coakley (Vice President for Administrative Operations).

Charge:

This working group will plan how the university will achieve carbon neutrality in response to the Presidents Climate Commitment which was signed by President Sullivan and agreed to by the Board of Trustees. The working group will seek advice from other relevant university committees and people both inside and outside of the university to achieve the broadest possible input for the development of the plan. The working group shall make its recommendations regarding how the university can achieve carbon neutrality with enough time so that the plan can be vetted and receive approval by all relevant committees, the Faculty, the President, and the Board of Trustees prior to its submission to the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment in September of 2009. It is most important that this plan be accepted and understood with respect to its impact and co-existence within the overall plan and direction of the University.