DEPAUW STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Resolution No. 1

A Resolution Concerning Future Environmentally Sustainable and Energy Efficiency Efforts

WHEREAS, DePauw University has recently received generous donations for a new dining hall, fitness center, soccer and lacrosse stadium, and the center for student engagement, and,

WHEREAS, DePauw University believes that “with improvements across all aspects of the University, DePauw can become, in a decade, one of the truly outstanding institutions in American higher education” and,

WHEREAS, “The University is committed to becoming more sustainable as it moves forward with planning for the future of the campus,” and,

WHEREAS, the DePauw Student Body recognizes that in order to become carbon neutral by 2040 as specified by the American College and University Presidents’ Climate Commitment, and,

WHEREAS, 75% of carbon emissions were the result of providing campus with electricity, heating, and cooling and,

WHEREAS, the carbon emissions from using fossil fuels as an energy source is an environmental degradation and contributes to the issue of global climate change and,

WHEREAS, energy efficiency measures and renewable energy will reduce our greenhouse gas emissions compared to our current energy portfolio and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that as DePauw continues toward carbon neutrality, solar power, wind power, geothermal heat pumps, and all other viable renewable energy and energy efficiency measures should be utilized to the greatest extent possible on the DePauw University campus.

Motion by: Senator van der Meulen ‘14                       Seconded by: Representative Rosario ‘13

Aye: 16

Aye: 12

Nay: 1

Nay: 1

Abstain: 0

Abstain: 1

The 9th day of December, 2012.
Presented to DSG Senators and Representatives on Sunday, December 9, 2012

Signed copy in Student Government Office
Sara Scully, President

Attest:

Signed copy in Student Government Office
Marjorie Daily, Parliamentarian