

University of Montana

ScholarWorks at University of Montana

Senate Resolutions, 2007-Present

ASUM Student Government

Spring 2010

SB26-09/10: The University of Montana Climate Action Plan

Zack Porter

Patrick Rhea

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarworks.umt.edu/asum_resolutions

Let us know how access to this document benefits you.

Recommended Citation

Porter, Zack and Rhea, Patrick, "SB26-09/10: The University of Montana Climate Action Plan" (2010).

Senate Resolutions, 2007-Present. 269.

https://scholarworks.umt.edu/asum_resolutions/269

This Institutional Document is brought to you for free and open access by the ASUM Student Government at ScholarWorks at University of Montana. It has been accepted for inclusion in Senate Resolutions, 2007-Present by an authorized administrator of ScholarWorks at University of Montana. For more information, please contact scholarworks@mso.umt.edu.

1 **Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Regarding The University of Montana Climate Action Plan**
3 **March 21st, 2010**

4 **Senate Bill Number SB26-09/10**

5 **Authored by: Zack Porter, UM Climate Action Now**
6 **Patrick Rhea, ASUM Senator**

7 **Sponsored by: Emily May, ASUM Vice President**
8

9 Whereas, University of Montana President, George M. Dennison, approved the University of
10 Montana Climate Action Plan (CAP) on January 26th, 2010;

11
12 Whereas, the approval of the CAP marks the completion of the third and final phase of the
13 American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment (ACUPCC), of which UM
14 became a signatory in 2007;

15
16 Whereas, 677 secondary schools, nationwide, have become signatories of the ACUPCC in
17 recognition of the challenges and opportunities presented by climate change;

18
19 Whereas, as stated in the text of the ACUPCC, the University of Montana “[recognizes] the
20 scientific consensus that global warming is real and is largely being caused by humans,” and
21 therefore, UM “[recognizes] the need to reduce the global emission of greenhouse gases by 80%
22 by mid-century at the latest, in order to avert the worst impacts of global warming...”;

23
24 Whereas, the University of Montana recognizes the economic benefits of becoming a national
25 leader in sustainability education, as demonstrated by UM’s establishment of the first degree
26 granting program in climate change studies in the US;

27
28 Whereas, the CAP calls for UM to be carbon neutral by 2020, making our plan among the most
29 aggressive in the nation;

30
31 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of the University Montana (ASUM)
32 endorse the University of Montana Climate Action Plan;

33
34 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that a letter of support along with a copy of this resolution
35 will be sent to University of Montana President George Dennison and the Sustainability
36 Coordinator for the University of Montana, Cherie Peacock.

37
38
39 Passed by Committee: _____, 2010

40
41 Passed by Senate: _____, 2010

42
43
44 _____
45 Andrew Dusek,
46 Relations and Affairs Chair

44 _____
45 Emily May,
46 Chair of the Senate