
Sustainability Committee
Minutes of 24 September 2025

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Western Michigan University Faculty Senate Campus Planning and Finance Council Sustainability Committee was called to order at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 24 September 2025, in the Office for Sustainability by Steven Bertman, chair.

Members Present: Steven Bertman, Mia Breznau, Lynne Heasley, Valarian Kwigizile, Mitchell Luttermoser, Kate Martini, Timothy Palmer, Eleonora Philopoulos (substitute for Sara VanderVeen), Jeff Spoelstra

Advisory Member Present: Stephen Root

Ex Officio Present: LuMarie Guth

Quorum

A quorum was present with 11 members in attendance, of the 6 needed to establish a quorum.

Agenda

[MOTION] It was moved by Heasley, seconded by Bertman, to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

Officers were nominated. The election of the secretary has been postponed to the next meeting.

[MOTION] It was moved by Guth, seconded by Kwigizile, to elect the slate of Steven Bertman as chair and Jeff Spoelstra as vice-chair. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Potential charges were discussed. A workgroup was established to refine the proposed charges, consisting of Bertman, Guth, Kwigizile, Philopoulos, VanderVeen, and Martini. A list of 2025-26 committee charges will be provided to the Campus Planning and Finance Council at its 21 October meeting.

Adjournment

Chair Steven Bertman adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m. The Sustainability Committee will meet next on Wednesday, 8 October 2025, at 10 a.m. via Webex.

Approval

Submitted by LuMarie Guth, Ex Officio

Approved on 12 November 2025.