

### *Current description of CEPC (2006)*

#### **Campus Environmental Policy Committee (CEPC)**

The Campus Environmental Policy Committee (CEPC) monitors the progress of Berea College toward ecological sustainability—the ability to meet current needs without degrading the natural systems and resources required to meet future needs—and recommends policies and actions that will promote progress toward ecological sustainability. The responsibilities of the CEPC also include:

- Developing a method for measuring the progress of Berea College toward ecological sustainability.
- Overseeing the preparation, at least bi-annually, of a report assessing the College's progress toward ecological sustainability.
- Identifying opportunities for linkages between actions taken to increase the ecological sustainability of the campus, and the efforts of the SENS Program and others to increase the awareness and understanding of students, faculty, and staff of environmental issues and pathways toward sustainability.

The CEPC will consist of: three elected College Faculty members, three elected General Faculty members who are not members of the College Faculty, two students appointed by SGA, and one ex officio member, the Vice President of Business and Administration. College and General Faculty members of the CEPC will serve staggered three-year terms.

### *Composition and reporting line of the CEPC as adopted Spring 2006*

#### **Proposal 4.3: Move the Campus Environmental Policy Committee (CEPC) to be a constituent committee of the Executive Council.**

**Discussion:** The CEPC monitors the progress of Berea College toward ecological sustainability (the ability to meet current needs without degrading the natural systems and resources required to meet future needs). It also prepares a report, at least bi-annually, assessing the College's progress toward ecological sustainability. These monitoring and reporting duties are a valuable and necessary service to the College and should be maintained. With the elimination of the GAC, the CEPC would report to the EC. As the CEPC brings forward recommendations, they will be directed to the appropriate channels – recommendations related to expenditure of funds would be directed to the Administrative Committee, recommendations related to curriculum would be directed to the Academic Program Council, etc.

#### **Proposal 4.4: Change the composition of the Campus Environmental Policy Committee**

The EC proposes that the composition of the committee be changed to reflect broader faculty and student representation. The CEPC will consist of: three elected College Faculty members, three elected General Faculty members who are not members of the College Faculty, two students appointed by SGA, and one ex officio member, the Vice President of Business and Administration. College and General Faculty members of the CEPC will serve staggered three-year terms.

Further note:

To provide continuity during transition to the new composition, the Director of the Sustainability and Environmental Studies Program will be replaced by one College Faculty member during the first year. In addition, another College Faculty member and two General Faculty members who are not members of the College Faculty will be elected. During the second year, the Compton Chair in Ecological Design and the Director of Facilities Management will be replaced by one College Faculty member and one General Faculty member who is not a member of the College Faculty.