Focus the Nation Resolution
Adopted
December 3, 2007

Whereas a focal point of the Ball State University Strategic Plan is to promote environmental sustainability by taking a role of leadership in developing solutions to environmental problems; and

Whereas Ball State University is nationally known as a leader in sustainability, as shown by our listing as one of the top 50 environmentally conscious schools in the U.S. by Kiwi Magazine; and

Whereas it is beneficial for both our university and planet to continue our environmental stewardship; and

Whereas the national Focus the Nation event scheduled for January 31, 2008 will allow Ball State University to educate students, faculty, and the Muncie community about global warming, one of the largest environmental problems we have ever faced; now therefore be it

Resolved that the Council on the Environment requests:

That Ball State University through its administration endorse the Jan. 31st, 2008 Focus the Nation event.

This will be hosted at Ball State by students and to date over 40 faculty members have agreed to make presentations on how global climate change relates to their particular disciplines. These presentations will take place throughout the day and will be open to all campus organizations and the public.

This national teach-in on global warming solutions for America will help create a dialogue at over a thousand universities, directly engaging millions of students and citizens with the nation’s decision-makers concerning one of the most pressing issues of facing the current student generation.