

Resolution

WHEREAS, the cities of Madison and Fitchburg, the County of Dane and other communities within the Madison Metropolitan School District service area have passed various resolutions and set goals in support of mitigating climate change; and

WHEREAS, students, faculty, administrators, and board members in the District have also expressed their support for an active role by the District in mitigating climate change; and

WHEREAS, increased energy efficiency in District buildings, and the increased use of renewable energy sources such as solar and wind, will not only increase the environmental sustainability of the District, but could be economically beneficial to the District:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District build into the 2019 Long Range Facility Plan consideration for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects to begin as soon as possible;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Building Services Department would continue to devote staff time to develop and implement a plan to meet this goal;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District identify grants and other external funding resources to assist in our efforts to install solar panels and implement major energy efficiency improvements beginning in 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District develop a strategy and timetable for additional energy efficiency and renewable energy projects based on the recommendations and use of area subject matter experts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Board establishes goals to meet 50 percent of all District operations energy needs with renewable energy by 2030, 75 percent by 2035, and 100 percent by 2040.

President, Board of Education