A meeting of the board of directors of the above-named organization, hereinafter referred to as “CERF,” was held on the above date at 1:00 pm in the Macalester College Campus Center.

Attendees: Tom Welna, Roopali Phadke, Suzanne Savanick Hansen, Adil Imani, Ariel Herrod

Scheduling of Regular Meetings

The first matter to come before the table was that of scheduling a regular meeting time. As only a few board members were able to meet at 1:00 pm on Wednesdays, we discussed other possible times and it was:

AGREED, that meeting Tuesdays during the lunch hour, as was done the previous year, would be possible for all those present.

Accessibility of CERF

Since there are worries that CERF lacks the support to continue to play an active role in Macalester affairs, the question of how to make CERF more known and available to members of the campus community was raised and the group came to the following conclusions:

AGREED, that CERF would be a good starting point for implementing the energy efficiency projects promised in the Macalester College Sustainability Plan. It is a system already designed for executing energy projects, and this would increase CERF’s profile on campus. Thus, the group hoped to speak to David Wheaton about this prospect.

FURTHER AGREED, that there should be an online process for submitting ideas to CERF and that the board would hear students’ ideas at the next meeting.

Financing

Attendees also discussed methods for financing CERF projects and talked about accounting procedures for the next year. The group came to the following conclusions:
AGREED, that a potential method for voluntarily off-setting airline carbon emissions would be to give a certain amount, say $20, to CERF for every flight. This would ensure that money would go directly to energy projects.

FURTHER AGREED, that Ann Esson, Dave Bergmann, Zach McDade, and Ariel Herrod might work together to figure out a sensible method for keeping track of funds.

Charter

Since CERF may need restructuring, especially with regards to having two faculty members instead of one, the group briefly discussed reworking the charter and came to the following conclusion:

AGREED, that Ariel Herrod, with help from Suzanne Hansen, would annotate and edit the charter, which will then be brought before the board at the next meeting for approval.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous approval of the directors.

Ariel Herrod, Secretary of the Meeting