



STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION

First Reading: 2/13/24
Second Reading: 2/20/24
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Resolution 3-24-S. Resolution to encourage sustainability initiatives by charging a \$5.00 sustainability fee to students.

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to support an initiative that would fund sustainability projects by charging students a \$5.00 sustainability fee per semester.

(1)WHEREAS: Many schools have a “green fee” to fund sustainability projects on campus such as University of Kentucky, Northern Kentucky University, and University of Louisville, and

(2)WHEREAS: WKU has had inadequate funding to support our sustainability programs in the past, and

(3)WHEREAS: This has caused our progress to plateau over the years without funding to pursue new ventures, and

(4)WHEREAS: The money that is acquired from the fee will go directly to fund the Office of Sustainability, and

(5)WHEREAS: The purpose of the Sustainability Office is to promote equity, the environment and the economy of WKU. Any project funded through this fee would ultimately invest in student experience and/or result in long term cost savings to the university, and

(6)WHEREAS: For the price of a cup of coffee each semester, the students of WKU are able to reinvest in not only the campus, but specifically in the Office of Sustainability, and

(7)WHEREAS: This is one way that WKU and it’s scholars can demonstrate to state leaders that we are an institution that innovates when it comes to sustainability, and

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to support an initiative that would fund sustainability projects by charging students a \$5.00 sustainability fee per semester.

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