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Campus Natural Areas Committee:

Jill Baum (Student Representative)  
Jane Camerini (Academic Staff Representative)  
John Harrington (Faculty Representative), Chair  
Jason VanDriesche (Student Representative)  
Paul Zedler (Faculty Representative)

Ann Burgess (Academic Staff Representative)  
Robert Goodman (Faculty Representative)  
David Shiffert (Student Representative)  
Dan Wallace (Academic Staff Representative)

Dear Colleagues:

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve on the newly created joint governance Campus Natural Areas Committee (CNAC). Professor John Harrington has agreed to chair the committee.

Establishment of this committee is the result of much study and discussion, in particular the dedicated work of the Planning Task Force for the Campus Natural Areas appointed by the Arboretum Committee to review the status of campus natural areas and to make recommendations regarding their oversight and management. I am grateful to the members of that task force and the Arboretum Committee for their commitment to the welfare of these critical components of our physical environment. The campus natural areas help define the UW-Madison campus. They provide an essential visual and biological diversity to our urbanized landscape, without which our university - indeed all of us - would be impoverished. Their value to our sense of place is priceless, and, they provide valuable and innumerable opportunities for instruction and research.

Broadly stated, your committee's charge is to ensure the integrity of these cherished campus resources through the provision of necessary and appropriate oversight, policies, guidelines, stewardship and management. Part of the challenge that you face as you begin your work is how to establish and maintain mechanisms to communicate and keep in touch with the diverse constituencies and organizational units both on and off campus that have varied levels of interest in the campus natural areas. It is important that you make sure that no one is ever surprised regarding decisions that pertain to the campus natural areas.

You will need to work closely and collaboratively with many different university units and individuals as you address the needs of and the pressures and demands on these unique areas. Any and all activities proposed for or conducted in the campus natural areas, or those in close proximity to the campus natural areas that could affect them, should be of concern to your committee. One of your first tasks will be to develop, adopt and disseminate documentation that sets parameters for activities and conduct in the campus natural areas. These should include policy statements which provide procedures for the grant or denial of requests for exception to standard rules and guidelines, as well as a mechanism for appeal.

The attached document specifies the structural framework for the CNAC.

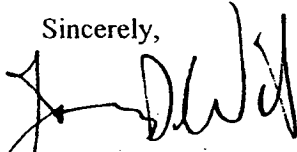
Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Thank you for agreeing to serve on this important committee.

Sincerely,



John D. Wiley  
Provost

**Attachments (2)**

c: Director Gregory Armstrong  
Assistant Vice Chancellor Bruce Braun  
Academic Staff Executive Committee  
✓ Arboretum Committee  
Associated Students of Madison  
University Committee

## Campus Natural Areas Committee

### **Membership:**

Joint governance committee with nine voting members: three faculty, three academic staff, and three students.

The director of the Arboretum and the assistant vice chancellor for Facilities Planning and Management, or their designees, shall serve ex-officio nonvoting members.

The committee may select other individuals to serve as nonvoting consultants.

### **Terms of Appointment:**

Faculty and academic staff appointments shall be for three-year staggered terms, with eligibility for reappointment to second three-year terms. Members will continue to serve until their replacements are appointed. Initial appointments will be for one, two, and three years in order to establish appropriate rotations. Eligibility for reappointment after service of two full terms requires a minimum three-year waiting period.

### **Appointing Authority:**

Appointments to the committee shall be made by the provost after consultation with and approval of the relevant governance body.

The chair shall be appointed by the provost from the faculty and academic staff members of the committee.

### **Reporting Requirements:**

The committee shall report to the provost in writing at least annually following the conclusion of each fiscal year. Copies of the report shall also be submitted to the University Committee, the Academic Staff Executive Committee, and the Associated Students of Madison.

### **Administrative and Logistical Support:**

Administrative support for the committee shall be provided by the Division of Facilities Planning and Management (FP&M). This shall include provision of both supplies and personnel, arrangements for which shall be negotiated and coordinated by the committee chair and the FP&M assistant vice chancellor. Mechanisms shall be developed to include the committee in the performance evaluation of those employees who are assigned to work with the CNAC.

### **Conflict Resolution:**

In the event that a conflict cannot otherwise be resolved, the provost will seek the advice of the Campus Planning Committee before determining a final resolution, decision, or settlement.

## CAMPUS NATURAL AREAS COMMITTEE

### Membership for 2000-2001

	<u>Department</u>	<u>Member Since</u>	<u>Term Ends</u>
<u>FACULTY</u>			
GOODMAN, ROBERT M	AG&LSCPLANT PATHOLOGY	09/01/2000	08/31/2002
HARRINGTON, JOHN A (CHAIR)	AG&LSCNR-LANDSCAP ARCH	09/01/2000	08/31/2003
ZEDLER, PAUL H	ENV STACADEMIC PROGS	09/01/2000	08/31/2001
<u>ACADEMIC STAFF</u>			
BURGESS, ANN B	L&S\INST-NATURAL SCI	09/01/2000	08/31/2003
CAMERINI, JANE R	L&S\HISTORY OF SCI	09/01/2000	08/31/2001
WALLACE, DANIEL J	GRAD\SYNCHR RAD CTR	09/01/2000	08/31/2002
<u>STUDENTS</u>			
BAUM, JILL MARIE		09/01/2000	08/31/2001
SHIFFERT, DAVID ROBERTS		09/01/2000	08/31/2001
VANDRIESCHE, JASON STUART		09/01/2000	08/31/2001
<u>EX OFFICIO</u>			
ARMSTRONG, GREGORY D	GRAD\ARBORETUM	09/01/2000	08/31/2001
BRAUN, BRUCE B	FP & MAVC OFFC	09/01/2000	08/31/2001

APPOINTING AUTHORITY(IES):  
PROVOST

ELECTING AUTHORITY(IES):