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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Andrew Ericson, Convenor, Joint Committee on Environmental Sustainability (JCES)  
FROM: James M. Beeby, Chancellor *JMB*  
SUBJECT: Committee Charge for 2025-2026 Academic Year  
DATE: September 10, 2025

Please convey my gratitude to the committee members for their willingness to serve on JCES for the 2025-2026 academic year.

After a chairperson has been named, please be advised that their primary responsibilities in reference to my office are as follows:

- Inform the Chancellor's Office of any changes in committee membership.
- Organize and conduct meetings.
- Promptly sending meeting minutes to Bobbi Webster ([bwebster@uwlax.edu](mailto:bwebster@uwlax.edu)) so that the minutes can be posted on the Joint Committees website. Minutes can be produced by the committee's recorder according to the appropriate by-laws.
- Complete a year-end report on the committee's activities to be submitted to the Chancellor's Office no later than May 22, 2026.

The Chancellor's website contains an archive of past minutes and year-end reports (when available): <https://www.uwlax.edu/chancellor/joint-committees/general-information-on-jointcommittees/>

After consultation with colleagues, I ask the committee to enact the following special charge in addition to the traditional work of the committee:

- Continue work on a carbon emissions reduction goal for UWL and provide a formal recommendation to the Chancellor regarding a campus carbon reduction commitment.
- Identify opportunities and needs related to the 2024 Climate Implementation Plan, and act where possible to advance its goals.
- Review Green Fund processes to ensure efficiency and ease of use for applicants. This should include the review of the applications, approval process and standard procedures. JCES should make any formal recommendations to the Green Fund Coordinators and Green Fund Advisor.
- Continue to explore additional avenues for progress on sustainability, including but not limited to those items outlined in the 2023-24 and 24-25 annual report's "ideas for continued work," and in alignment with any goals that are part of the 2025-2030 UWL Strategic Plan.
- Provide input to current or future planning efforts at UWL, including the Strategic Plan, and the long-range facilities plan.

Throughout the process, I expect individual committee members to consult with their respective governance groups for input and agreement to issues.

If you have any questions about the charges, please feel free to contact me or Chief of Staff Stacy Twite.

CC: Chancellor's Cabinet  
Faculty Senate Chair  
Academic Staff Council Leadership  
University Staff Council Leadership  
Student Association Leadership