ARTICLE VI  COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SENATE

2. Standing Committees

O. Committee on Sustainability

(1) Purpose of the Committee.

The Committee shall provide leadership for sustainability issues on the UIS campus and in other communities. Sustainability refers to practices designed to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It encompasses teaching, research, and practice in a variety of areas including but not limited to policy development, building design and construction, waste management and recycling, energy production and use, water use, and transportation.

(2) Duties and Responsibilities of the Committee

a. The Committee shall serve as a resource to faculty wishing to teach, undertake research, or to propose curriculum or extra-curricular activities in sustainability.

b. The Committee shall provide educational outreach to the campus and other communities on issues of sustainability.

c. The Committee shall study sustainability issues related to the campus and make recommendations to the appropriate body (the administration and/or the Campus Senate) to improve sustainable practices.
d. The Committee shall receive and study the reports and policies of the University of Illinois, and other governmental bodies (state, federal and international) and report on them and make recommendations for their implementation to the appropriate body (the administration and/or the Campus Senate).

e. The Committee shall coordinate with the other Campus Senate Committees such as the Planning and Budget Committee, the General Education Committee, as well as the UIS campus offices such as Purchasing, Facilities Services, Food Services, Environmental Health and Safety, Housing to ensure that sustainability is taken into consideration in the deliberations of those bodies or units.

f. The Committee will make an annual report on its work to the Campus Senate.

(3) Membership and Terms

The Committee shall consist of five at-large faculty representatives, no more than two of whom may be from the same college; one academic professional selected by APAC; one civil service staff member selected by CSAC; two students selected by the UIS Student Government Association; the Associate Vice-Chancellor for Undergraduate Education or designee; the Director of Facilities Service. Serving ex-officio, without a vote, are the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs or designee, and the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Administrative Services or designee.

Faculty shall serve three-year, staggered terms (initially 2 terms to expire the first year, 2 terms the second year, and 1 term the third year). Students shall serve one year terms.