Divestment from Fossil Fuels

Whereas Bemidji State University (BSU) has a shared fundamental value of Environmental Stewardship, and a mission statement that states “we instill and promote service to others, preservation of the earth, and respect and appreciation for the diverse peoples of our region and world;” and

Whereas BSU’s fundamental values should be reflected in its investments; and

Whereas BSU has a commitment to be carbon-neutral by 2050;

Therefore be it resolved that Faculty Senate calls on BSU and the Foundation to divest from direct ownership and any commingled funds that include fossil-fuel public equities and corporate bonds as soon as feasible.