

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE CHARTER

PREAMBLE

1. The Committee is advisory to the Board of Trustees.
2. The Committee is open to all members in good standing and will be composed of a chairperson, volunteer members with an interest in this particular area, and a board liaison. (CG By-Laws, Article VI, #6, Committees of the Board.)
3. The Committee Chairperson is approved by the Board and will serve for a two year time period beginning after the August Board Meeting.
4. The Committee shall address environmental concerns including, but not limited to, (1) preservation of native plant, animal, bird, and sea life by fostering conditions that allow them to thrive, (2) development and protection of common areas, (3) gathering information and doing research regarding safety, quality of life, and good environmental policies, and (4) recommending best practice policies that will enhance environmental quality and advance community interest.

DUTIES

1. Keep written minutes of all meetings and present oral and written reports to the Board of Trustees when appropriate. The Committee chairperson or designee will submit an annual written and oral report at the CG Annual Membership meeting.
2. Protect and preserve all common areas.
3. Suggest environmental projects for community action.
4. Prepare educational presentations for the benefit of the community, club members and the environment.
5. Research information about environmental issues and recommend policies to benefit the community and the environment.
6. Create a reference library about environmental issues for community members to consult.
7. Be available for environmental consultation to the extent of our expertise or to refer people to community experts, e.g. Native Plant Society, WSU, Jefferson County Health Department, etc.

8. Arrange for environmental and horticultural experts to supplement the Cape George maintenance crew when necessary.
9. Facilitate the Cape George Road Clean up Project from Discover Road to Cape George Colony Entrance.
10. The Committee will meet a minimum of two times each calendar year. Usually, the Committee meets on a monthly basis.
11. Be available for environmental consultation to the extent of our expertise or to refer people.