# **Global Warming Subcommittee:**

#### Preamble:

Over a long period of time global warming, and the related climate changes, are an existential threat to the survival of the human species. In the shorter term global warming will cause a reduction in our quality of life, taking a particularly heavy toll on our most vulnerable communities. We are focused on mitigation rather than adaptation. Geographically our global warming focus is on Minnesota with a particular interest in greater Minnesota (outside of the Twin Cities metropolitan area).

#### Purpose:

To develop and implement, subject to Board approval, grantmaking and possible related activity to address the Morgan Family Foundation's interest in mitigating global warming. The initial geographic focus for this work is the state of Minnesota.

# Membership:

The subcommittee shall be comprised of at least three members: at least two members of the board, and may include up to three others. This is considered a subcommittee of the Grants Policy Committee. The term of subcommittee service is one year, and members may serve successive terms without limitation. It is encouraged that membership on the subcommittee include multiple generations and at least two family (lineal and/or extended) members. The executive director and/or relevant program officer will serve as ex-officio non-voting members of the subcommittee.

## Meetings:

The subcommittee shall meet at least four times per year or additionally as called by the chairperson of the subcommittee. As the work is getting started or grant interests change, meetings will likely occur more frequently, but no more often than monthly.

## Key Responsibilities

- 1. Facilitate education of subcommittee members about global warming issues, and the rest of the MFF Board and staff as appropriate.
- 2. Develop and recommend to the MFF Board the proposed global warming grant program scope and priorities.
- 3. Develop and recommend the global warming grantmaking process to the Grants Policy Committee; execute the process and present grant recommendations to the MFF Board for approval.
- 4. Share information and insight about the global warming grantmaking results and impact with the Grants Policy Committee and/or MFF Board.
- 5. Expedite global warming grant decisions on occasion as authorized by the Board, which generally is limited to funding or inviting abbreviated applications of grant requests of \$10,000 or less.