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SB73-13/14a: Student Directory

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Whereas, the University of Montana currently interprets FERPA to include that the Student Directory lists the phone numbers of students;

Whereas, many students are unaware that their phone numbers are automatically listed under the Student Directory;

Whereas, students wishing to opt out of having their information removed from the Student Directory must request for their information to be removed;

Whereas, the online link to “Confidentiality- Student Request to Restrict Release of Directory Information” is currently disabled;

Whereas, the “Confidentiality- Student Request to Restrict Release of Directory Information” reads:

“The University considers a student to have consented to release of directory information if the student has not requested confidentiality by completing and submitting the Request to Restrict Release of Directory Information form. The form must be completed and submitted to the GRIZ Central Registration Counter (Emma Lommasson Center) prior to the end of the 3rd week of a term. Fax: 406-243-4087. Scan to a pdf and email to Registration@umontana.edu”;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that the Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) encourages the “Confidentiality- Student Request to Request Release of Directory Information” link be accessible to the public;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that ASUM encourages the University Registrar to investigate the feasibility of students opting into, rather than opting out, of the Student Directory information;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Rhondie Voorhees, Dean of Students of the University of Montana; Joseph Hickman, Interim Registrar; and Royce Engstrom, President of the University of Montana.

Passed by Committee: March 24, 2014

Passed by ASUM Senate: March 26, 2014

Final Vote: 12Y-11N

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