TITLE: A Resolution to promote professors adequately utilizing Blackboard so that students can have open communication with their professors in regards to their grade standing.

DATE OF INTRODUCTION: November 2, 2015

INTRODUCED BY: Jenna Adkins, Secretary of Academic Affairs and the Student Academic Advisory Board members: Darby Ebeling, Derek Bastian, Travis Smith, Colton Streefert, Michael Prentice, Busayo Apampa, Alyssa Maher, Ashley Gertman, and Olivia Rodriguez.

I. Purpose

This resolution will support and guide the regulation of grades being posted on Blackboard by professors.

II. Rationale

WHEREAS, Boise State University highly encourages professor and student communication, however there is uncertainty from students not knowing where they stand until the end of the semester.

WHEREAS, Allowing grades to be posted in a timely manner after an assignment is due will allow for students to not be uncertain with unclear communication from professors, and will allow for more opportunities for the student to be on track with their academics.

WHEREAS, Once grades are posted in a timely manner, students will have more time and opportunity to communicate with professors on where their grade is standing before the semester is over.

III. Provisions

A. This resolution would provide that each professor is responsible for providing easy access and open communication with their students on their grade standing. If a professor chooses to use a different grading source other than Blackboard, then they must make sure students have easy access to their grades and that grades are posted in a timely manner. This resolution will also provide that professors post grades to Blackboard or another grading source no later than two weeks after a submission of an assignment.

IV. Fiscal Impact

This resolution would require no fiscal impact.

TO BE COMMUNICATED TO:
University President, Dr. Bob Kustra; Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Martin E. Schimpf; Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Lisa Harris; Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Leslie Webb; Dean of Students, Dr. Chris Wuthrich; Assistant Vice President for Student Life, Dr. Jeremiah Shinn; Director for Student Diversity and Inclusion, Francisco Salinas; The Arbiter; Idaho Governor, C.J. “Butch” Otter; U.S. Senators Mike Crapo and Jim Risch, U.S. House Representatives Raul Labrador and Mike Simpson; The Idaho State Senate; The Idaho State House of Representatives; The Idaho Statesman, The Boise Weekly, The Spokesman Review: Bye on Boise

APPROVAL:

By the ASBSU Student Assembly on Dec 2nd by a vote of 16 (in favor) and 0 (opposed) and 2 (abstaining).

By the ASBSU Assembly Speaker

Rebecca Kopp

Date: 12/21/15

By the ASBSU President

Brian Garrison

Date: 12/7/15