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3   **A Resolution to Increase Transparency Under Blue, the New SEI System**
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5   Chase Barnett (for himself, Kate Greer, Amraha Nadeem, and Nate Smith) introduced the
6   following legislation to the Steering Committee, where it passed.
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10 **Whereas** the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students
11 at The Ohio State University, and
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13 **Whereas** The Ohio State University's Registrar's Office, the University Senate SEI
14 Committee, and other administrative offices are updating the SEI database platform from
15 PeopleSoft to Blue within the next few months, and
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17 **Whereas** SEI stands for "Student Evaluations of Instruction," and
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19 **Whereas** PeopleSoft, the current SEI system in place, only displays the results for the
20 last question which is "What is your overall rating of this professor/class?" for students to
21 view, and
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23 **Whereas** Ohio State provides questions in the evaluation, which is standard across
24 colleges and departments, for students to assess their professors' teaching performances,
25 and
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27 **Whereas** the topics of inquiry in the ten SEI questions fall into three main categories of
28 organization, interest in students, and preparation, and
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30 **Whereas** these results are used by individual professors, departments, and administrative
31 bodies to evaluate the teaching styles and overall performance of Ohio State faculty
32 across colleges and departments, and
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34 **Whereas** the new SEI platform, Blue, will have exponentially more capabilities than
35 PeopleSoft in visual data analysis and viewing privileges for students and faculty alike;
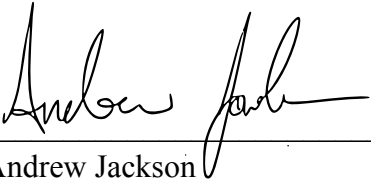36
37 **Therefore, Let it Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government supports the
38 addition of further SEI results to BuckeyeLink through Blue to increase transparency for
39 students, and
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41 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government encourages the
42 results from the SEIs in these three main categories to be available for students to view
43 on BuckeyeLink before they sign up to take a class with a certain professor, and
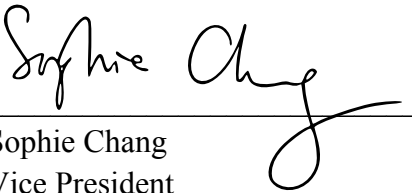44
45 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that a summative statistic be created for each of the three
46 categories to provide accurate results and information to students concerning
47 organization, interest in students, and preparation, and
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49 **Let it Further Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government supports
50 making the SEI results more readily available to students since it will increase the overall
51 transparency of SEI results and improve students' course scheduling processes by
52 ensuring that their future professors' teaching methods are compatible with their personal
53 learning styles.
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57 Floor Vote: Passed with unanimous consent
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63 Andrew Jackson   Sophie Chang
64 President   Vice President
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69 Date Adopted: November 29, 2017   Date Terminated: _____