A Resolution to Improve the Public Access Website

WHEREAS Texas State University strives to promote academic excellence and conduct effective student reviews of faculty, and

WHEREAS The time spent issuing each class’ end of course evaluation takes time out of the learning process utilized by both students and faculty alike, and

WHEREAS House Bill 2504 (HB 2504) permits students to access course information, professional credentials of each professor at the university, and prior student evaluations of the professors’ classes, and

WHEREAS The cost of printing, issuing, and processing class evaluations is approximately $250,000 per semester, and

WHEREAS The evaluations taken by students are generally slanted by a positive inflation which can be seen as potentially inaccurate due to many students wishing to quickly leave class or not understanding the importance of the end of course evaluation in context of departments and
professional development, and

WHEREAS The campus wide consumption of paper to print surveys can be reduced by offering these evaluations online rather than through valuable paper resources, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED That the Associated Student Government supports a reevaluation of where the HB2504 link is located on the Texas State homepage, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the HB2504 site be modified to allow student evaluations to be done through online access, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a comment section be added to each professors feedback page to further illustrate the quality of the professor’s work through clean expressions of students’ opinions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the HB2504 page and associated pages be reorganized for more intuitive navigation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That access to HB2504 be made available on Catsweb for students while registering for classes, and

Be it further resolved: that access to HB2504 also be made available to the public through the “2010 compliance
report” on the Texas State University page, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** That, if passed, this bill be forwarded to ASG Advisor Kathy Weiser, Dean of Students Dr. Margarita Arellano, Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Joanne Smith, and University President Dr. Denise Trauth upon passage.