



**RESOLUTION No.** 2014-15-24  
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**REFERRED TO:** AS COUNCIL  
**ACTION APPROVED:** May 8, 2015  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution in Support of a Preferred Name Policy

**WHEREAS**, the Mission of the Associated Students of Humboldt State University is to "assist in the protection of rights and interests of the individual student and the student body; and to "stimulate the educational, social, physical, and cultural well-being of the University community"; and,

**WHEREAS**, transgender students, or students who don't adhere to the gender binary are may be forced to "come out" to faculty, staff, and other students on campus due to their legal name being used for official University business, includes ID cards, email, rosters, Moodle; and,

**WHEREAS**, "coming out" should occur at the discretion of the individual, and the current policy subjects members of the transgender community to being "outed" without their consent; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Associated Students of Humboldt State University recognizes the transgender population as a cultural community on campus that is susceptible to harmful negative stereotypes that can create barriers for a safe learning environment; and,

**WHEREAS**, Many Universities including Indiana University, University of Montana, and CSU Northridge have adopted preferred name option that allows students that are known by their preferred name, instead by their legal, allow transgender students that are known by their preferred name and not be outed or feel uncomfortable to be call by their birth name; therefore, be it

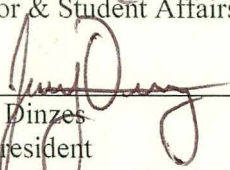
**RESOLVED**, the Associated Students recognizes that this is an issue facing the HSU transgender community as well as the need to increase the awareness of potential issues faced by members of the transgender community including transitioning, community building, and being subjected to violence and hate against the community; be it further,

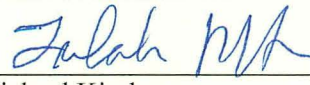
**RESOLVED**, that the Associated Students of Humboldt State calls on the University Senate, and the office of the President of Humboldt State to craft, and implement, a preferred name policy, and that this policy allow for preferred names to be used in the place of one's legal name in following places: ID cards, rosters, email addresses, account information, unofficial transcripts, the campus directory, and Moodle; and be it finally,

**RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to, but not limited to: CSU Chancellor Dr. Timothy White, HSU President Dr. Lisa Rossbacher, HSU Provost Jenny Zorn, Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs Dr. Peg Blake, Dean of Students Randi Darnall Burke, University Police Chief Donn Peterson, local Tribal Nations, The Lumberjack Newspaper, Mad River Union and other local media.

  
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