

Resolution Calling for Emergency and Helpline Numbers to be Added to Faculty/Staff Wiscards

Whereas, the Associate Students of Madison's Student Council passed the Wiscard Emergency Contact Resolution (26-1002-02) on October 13th, 2019, which called for emergency and helpline numbers to be added to Student Wiscards,

Whereas, the Academic Staff Assembly endorsed a resolution supporting the Associate Students of Madison's Student Council Wiscard Emergency Contact Resolution (ASA Document #720) on November 11th, 2019,

Whereas, emergency and helpline numbers will be added to student Wiscards from the start of the next academic year,

Whereas, some of those numbers will be relevant only to students,

Whereas, the Wiscard office has the ability to add different numbers to Faculty/Staff Cards,

Whereas, the Employee Assistance Office reports that the top concerns for University employees include factors such as, anxiety, stress, depression and grief,

Whereas, adding emergency and helpline numbers to "Faculty/Staff" Wiscards would potentially benefit Academic Staff in times of need,

Whereas, 911 oftentimes is not the most effective or appropriate number to call in emergencies, such as during a mental health crisis,

Therefore be it resolved, that the Academic Staff Assembly calls on Mark Guthier to convene the Identity Management Leadership Group to add emergency and helpline numbers of the following organizations: UWPD, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, the Rape Crisis Center, Domestic Abuse Intervention Services, and the Employee Assistance Office to all newly issued faculty/staff cards before the start of the next academic year.