Resolution 1.35: Resolution on the Student Accounts Spending Limit

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In response to the call of the Student Accounts Office to limit charges to student accounts to $200 per day,

Acknowledging the problem posed by unpaid student debts to the University,

Positing that the University has at its disposal existing (and potential) mechanisms to ensure that students pay their debts,

Supporting the University’s development of innovative and situationally aware strategies to ensure debt collection,

Highlighting the fact that many students lack credit cards, checkbooks, or other mechanisms of payment for large sums,

Concerned that the proposed policy change might render many students unable to obtain textbooks, technology, and other resources essential to the Wesleyan education,

In objection to the fact that student representatives were indirectly notified of this policy change rather than consulted about it,

In further objection to the inhibition of community discussion posed by the short timeline for this policy change,

The Wesleyan Student Assembly (WSA),

1. Calls upon the Office of Student Accounts to continue permitting the full usage of the student account as a payment option for large sums,
2. Resolves to remain actively seized of the matter.

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