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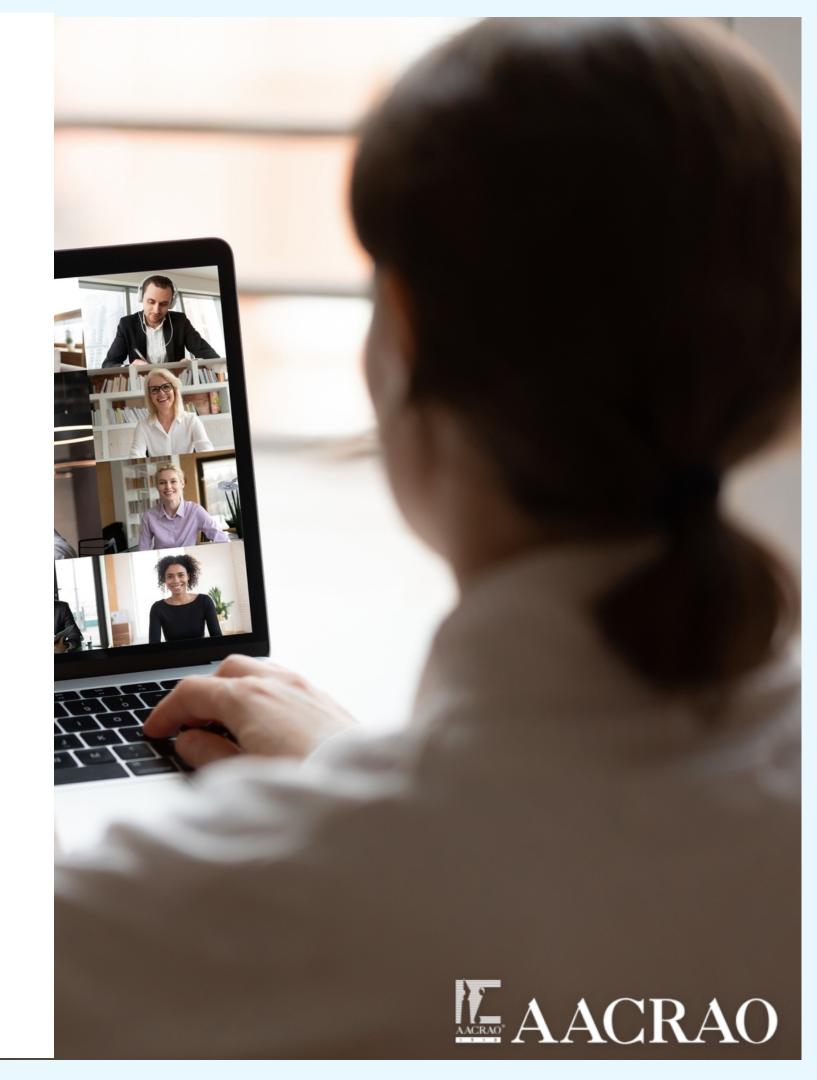
Chris Huang, Registrar/Dir. of Institutional Effectiveness,

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Overview

What We Will Be Discussing

FERPA Questions/Cases
Your FERPA Questions During Q&A

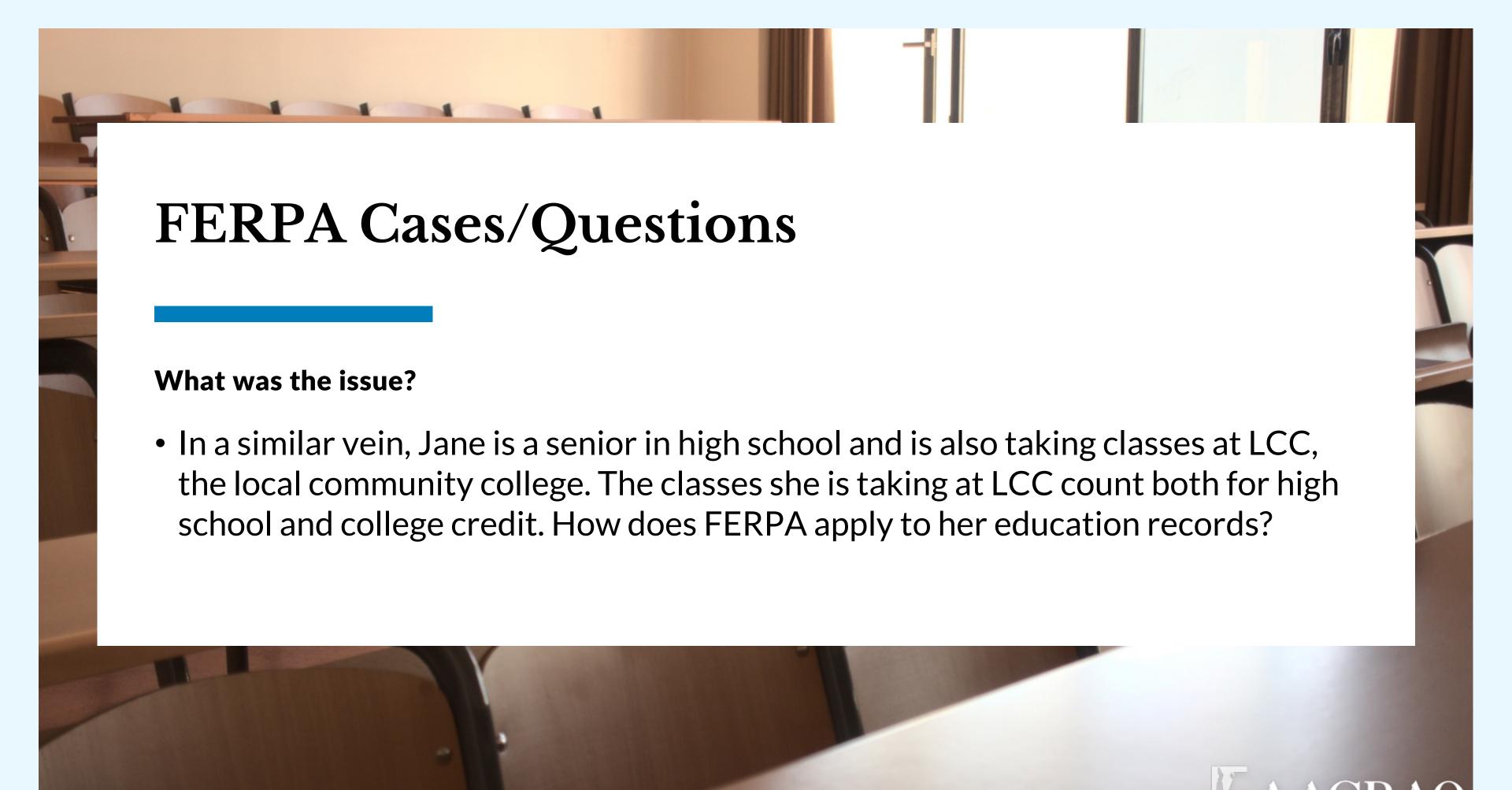




What was the issue?

• I have a parent who wants to know if her daughter is failing a class that she is taking for dual credit at the local high school. Mom says the high school would normally just give her this information, but (this time) they sent her to the Registrar's Office instead. Since the student is a minor and the high school is just going to give it to her any way can I tell her the student's grade?





FERPA Cases/Questions

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• How do you handle getting student record data to a faculty member who is writing a letter of recommendation for a former student?

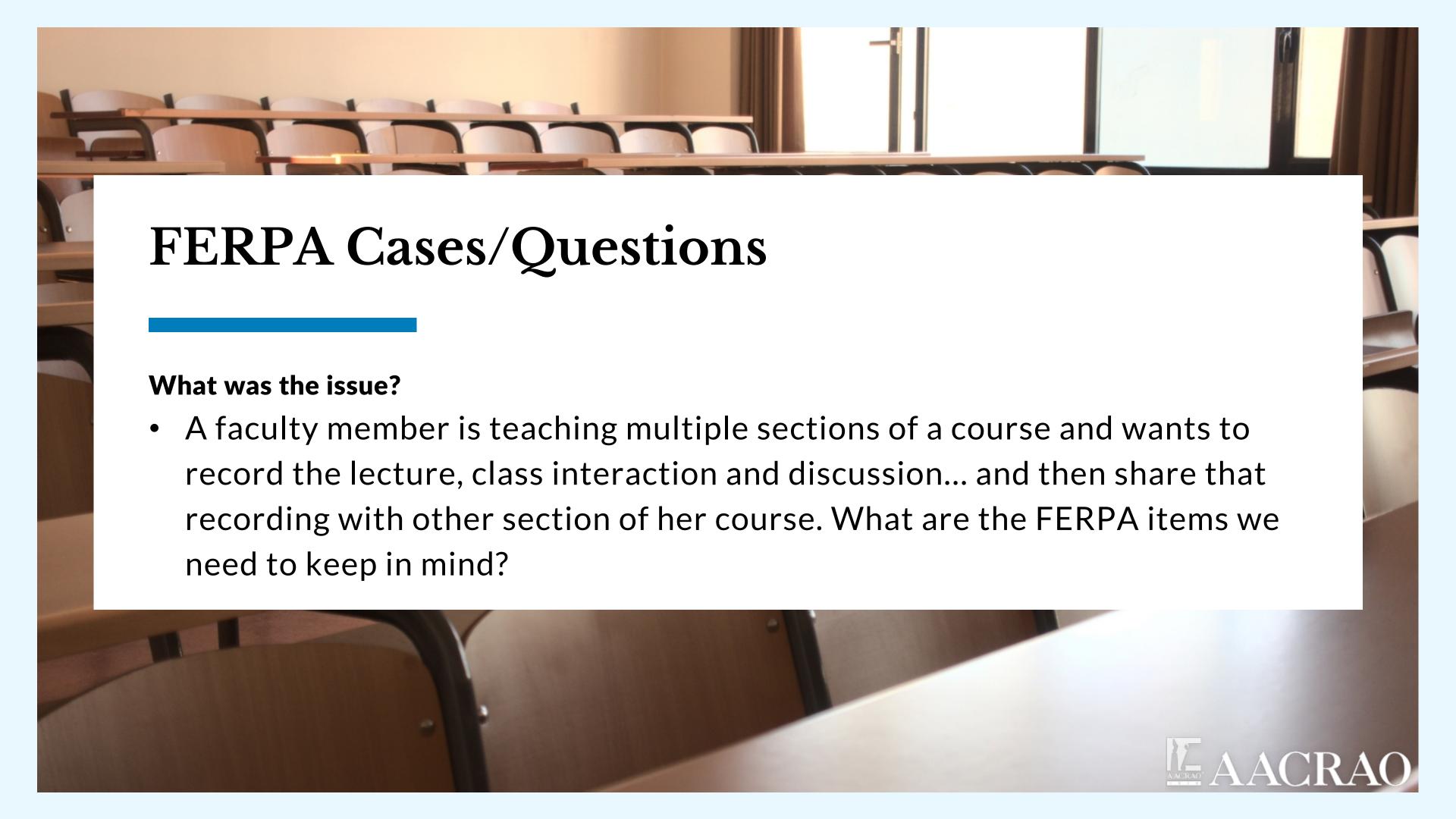


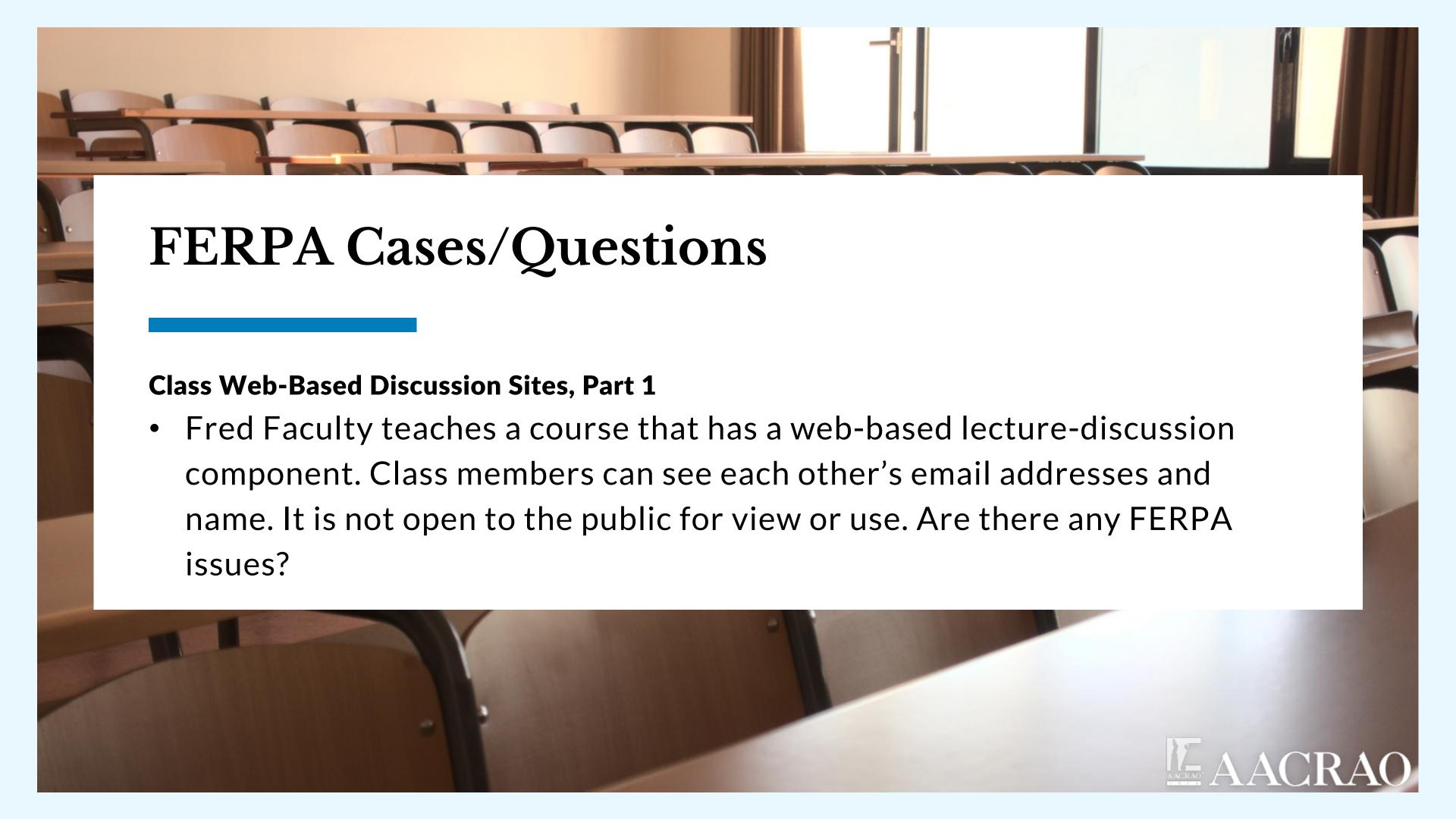
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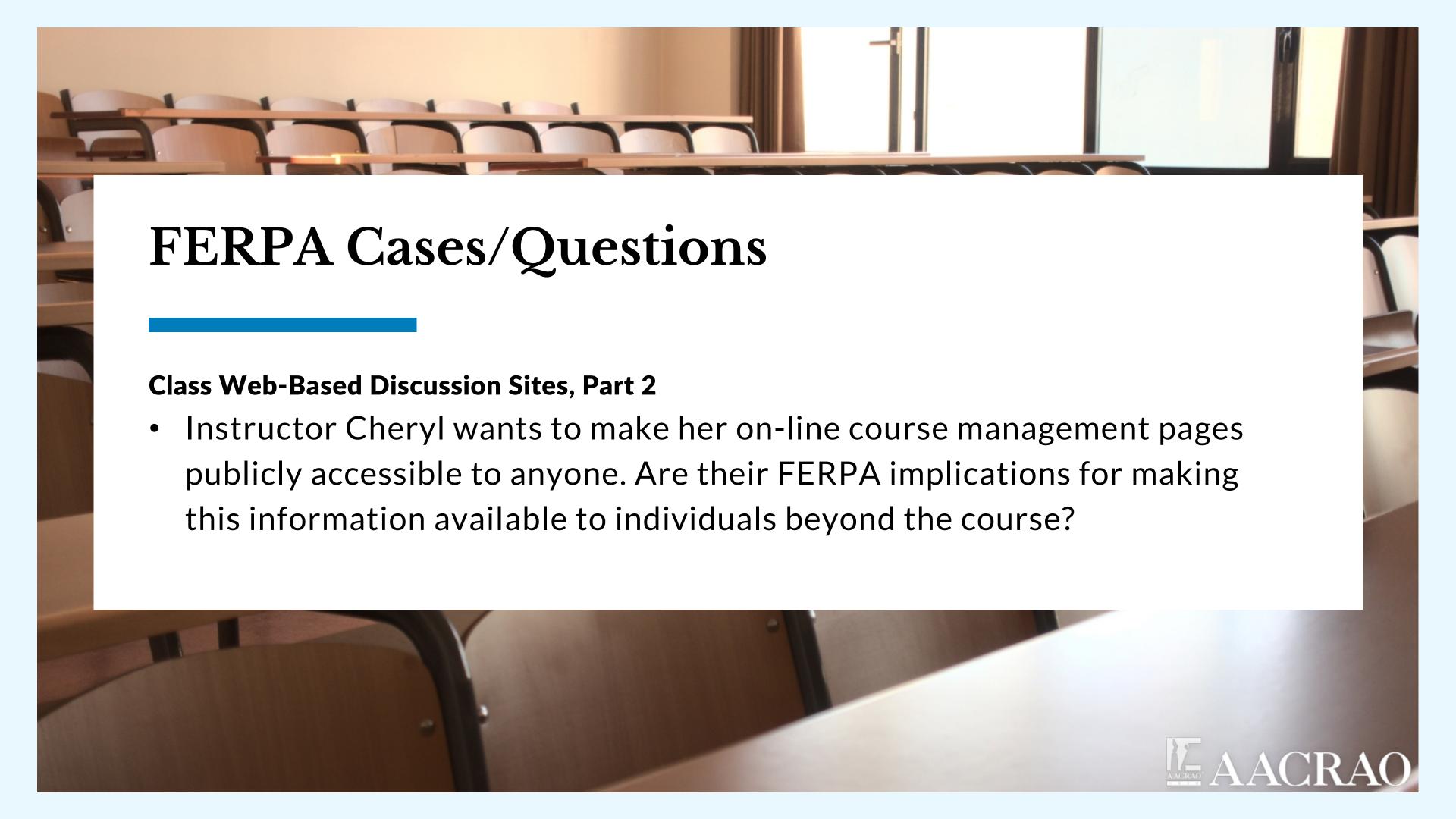
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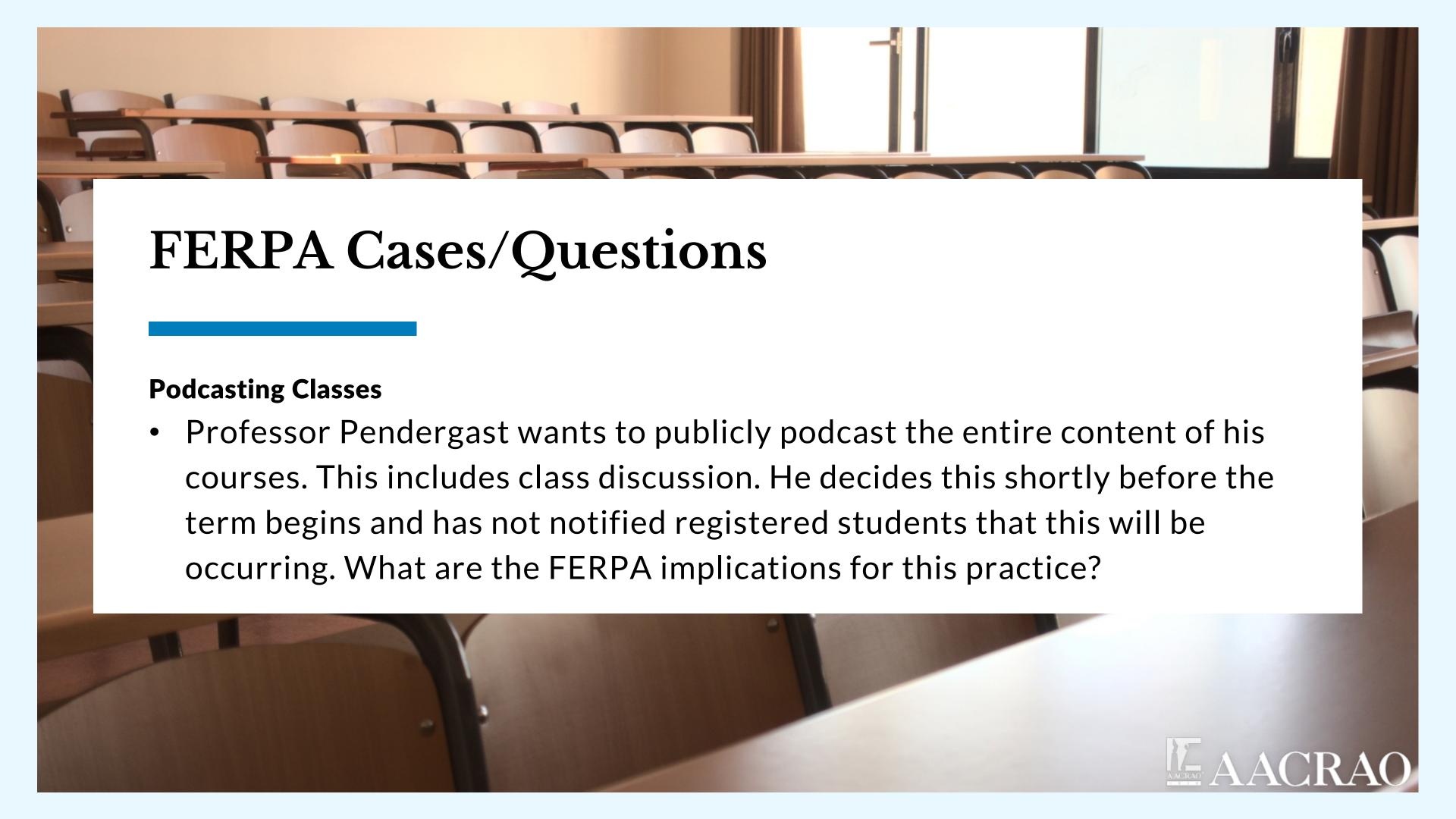
 Likewise, a former student of my college is applying for a job and needs a letter of recommendation. He reaches out to one of his favorite professors who still works at the college. The professor thought very highly of this student and is willing to write the letter of recommendation but asks me for advice.













What was the issue?

• In FERPA, religion cannot be listed as part of directory information. As a religious school that receives support from the Denomination, we are asked to complete a report with a student's religious denomination. Do we need to get students permission to release this information?

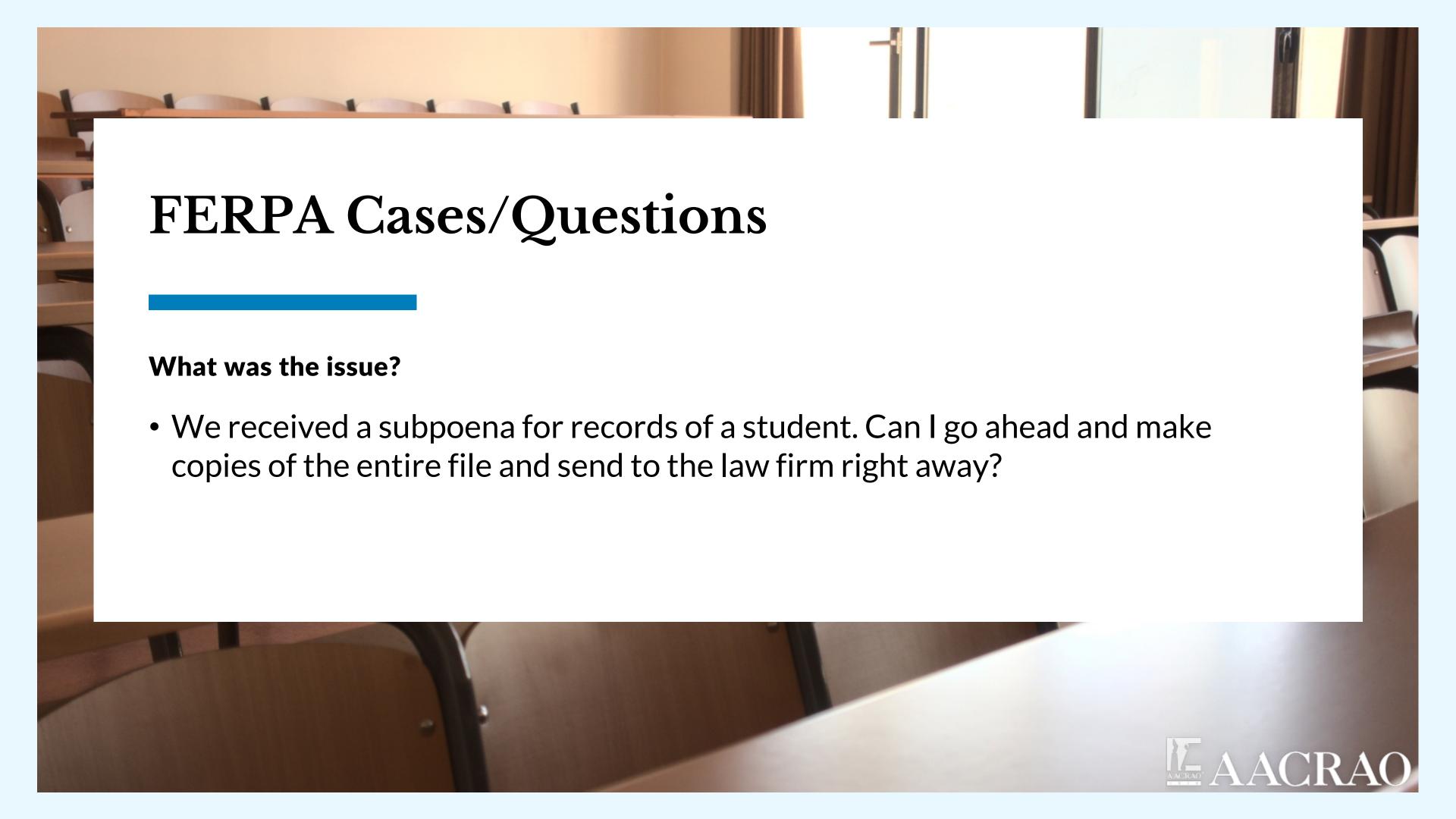




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• I have a federal agent in my office who has presented me with a request for student records as part of a background check. The student signature line has a typed signature with text about DOD, but I have no way to validate the signature. Can I release the student's record with this digital type signature?





FERPA Cases/Questions

What was the issue?

• In 2017 Texas passed SB 4 relating to sanctuary cities in Texas. This law covers compliance of campus police and so extends to those in charge of immigration data such as Registrars. One of my vice presidents asked if we could just add "immigration status" to our directory information to bypass issues with FERPA when these requests arise. Does FERPA allow institutions to include immigration status in their directory information?



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Thanks for joining

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