
From: Lawrence Krauss <lawkrauss@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 25, 2018 10:50 PM
To: jeffrey E.
Subject: Re: Statement Request

I got a call from the reporter, who was the same one who interviewed me nicely over the doomsday clock.. so he is simply doing a story.. I don't think he has an agenda. His deadline is now an hour, according to his editors. and I told him I would try to get him something.. Here is my proposed statement.. worked through once with one advisor.. They want me to comment on the buzzfeed story and its allegations, and on ASU's statement.. So here is what I am sending them.. quick comment?

I will be making a longer statement about the slanderous and factually incorrect story in due course. I realize that some ASU students may be shocked and dismayed and interested in some comment from me at this time. I appreciate the supportive statement from ASU and also the professional procedures that ASU applies to these issues. I can assure students that I have always worked hard throughout my career, inside and outside the University, to build and maintain an atmosphere of trust and respect in all of my interactions, and to create an environment where open communication is encouraged. I also encourage students and members of the general public to think critically and to use evidence as the basis of making decisions and policies. As many are already aware, Buzzfeed is not a reliable news source. Unsubstantiated allegations from such a source should be viewed skeptically.

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On Feb 25, 2018, at 12:44 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

they were not asking for a comment as you told me. they were asking to SPEAK. taking advice from nancy or your waitress neither has any experience in this arena it is like asking your wife to look at your x-ray and give you her opinion on whether you need a stent. this is dangerous. if female students read it the wrong way. . and five decide

to tell a story that they =ere fearful of bringing their past complaints BLAH =LAH BLAH, we have trouble. . if you make = positive bullshit statement , some women might feel you are =gnoring them ! , if you choose not to =peak, it must be done very respectfully, its =he same story i gave you the last. time. when your =rain trust said there is a deadline you must respond. = It was your responses that got your events =anceled. . it made the story.

On Sun, =eb 25, 2018 at 3:29 PM, Lawrence Krauss <lawkrauss@gmail.com <mailto:lawkrauss@gmail.com> > wrote:

Yes.

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On Feb 25, 2018, at 12:25 PM, jeffrey E. =lt;jeevacation@gmail.com <mailto:jeevacation@gmail.com> > wrote:

no statment better than positive one.

On Sun, Feb 25, 2018 at 3:03 PM, Lawrence Krauss =span dir="ltr"
class=""><lawkrauss@gmail.com <mailto:lawkrauss@gmail.com> > =rote:

I just lost you. Let's talk in an hour or =o.

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On Feb 25, 2018, at 11:55 AM, jeffrey E. =lt;jeevacation@gmail.com>
<mailto:jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

Ask for questions in =riting

On Sun, Feb 25, 2018 at 2:19 PM jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:

Tricky , very tricky

On =un, Feb 25, 2018 at 1:43 PM Lawrence Krauss <lawkrauss@gmail.com>
wrote:

This is the student paper at ASU. I am assuming I should give =o statement but
just checking for your advice. (See last proposal, =hich is growing on me)

Asu has already made a statement already pointing out that =here have been no
complaints of sexual harassment against me by faculty =taff or students at ASU.

I could reiterate that and add =hat I have never been accused or found in
violation of sexual =arassment codes at any institution I have been affiliated =ith.

Or = could just reiterate ASU's statement and say something =ositive like I am
very proud to be working at ASU, it is the most =xciting university i have been affiliated with and thrilled to lead the
=fantastic team at origins project, one of the most exciting programs st =ny university in the world, and be working with
great colleagues and =students in physics and SESE.

I =m leaning toward the latter.

Lmk.=

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From: Christopher Scragg <ccscragg@asu.edu>
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To: Lawrence Krauss <lkrauss@asu.edu <mailto:lkrauss@asu.edu>>
Subject: Statement Request

Hello Professor Krauss.

The State Press is working on a story regarding the recent allegations published in a BuzzFeed story on Feb. 2.

We are hoping to speak with you about the article, the allegations and the university's response. We are aiming to publish the evening of Feb. 25, so please let us know if you or someone from your office is willing to talk prior to then.

Thank you.

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Chris Scragg
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