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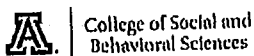
Subject: FW: Inappropriate lecture scheduled on UofA campus September 21st
Date: Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 5:56:42 PM Mountain Standard Time
From: Jones, John P - (jppjones) <jppjones@email.arizona.edu>
To: Schmitz, David J - (schmitz) <schmitz@email.arizona.edu>, david schmitz

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FYI. I didn't reply because she didn't write to me. Maybe she wrote to you or came to class.

Best JP

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From: Comrie, Andrew C - (comrie)
Sent: Thursday, September 21, 2017 8:36 AM
To: Jones, John P - (jppjones) <jppjones@email.arizona.edu>
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FYI

Begin forwarded message:

From: charharris@aol.com
Date: September 21, 2017 at 8:30:26 AM MST
To: comrie@email.arizona.edu
Subject: Re: Inappropriate lecture scheduled on UofA campus September 21st

Dear Provost Comrie:

Thank you for your prompt response which is appropriate to educating our university level students.

I am waiting for a response from the Social Sciences office to see if the lecture is open to the public.

And thank you for your continued work with the University of Arizona.

Go CATS,
Charlotte Harris

-----Original Message-----

From: Comrie, Andrew C - (comrie) (comrie) <comrie@email.arizona.edu>

To: charharris@aol.com

Sent: Thu, Sep 21, 2017 8:25 am

Subject: Re: Inappropriate lecture scheduled on UofA campus September 21st

Dear Ms. Harris,

The upcoming lecture by Dr. Anomaly has been problematic for some members of our community, and understandably so, given his provocative title. Yet, when they consider that the vigorous discussion of ideas is central to providing a superlative education for our students and stakeholders, it becomes less so.

It is central to the mission of a university to promote the free exchange of ideas, including those of Dr. Anomaly and those of the people who disagree with him. We are ultimately stronger as a university when we maintain our commitment to the robust exchange of ideas.

I hope you can attend, listen, reflect and rebut as you see fit. Adding your perspective to his would be important.

As for the Koch funding, we receive financial support from many quarters, but we have processes in place to safeguard our academic independence. That initial funding was used to support graduate students, none of whom were selected or directed by donors.

Sincerely,

Andrew Comrie

On Sep 20, 2017, at 9:43 PM, "charharris@aol.com" <charharris@aol.com> wrote:

Dear Provost Comrie:

I am in my third year as the chair of the National Advisory Board of the College of Education.

Yesterday, I was sent a copy of an announcement about an "Anti-Public School Lecture Set at Koch-Funded UofA Class in Tucson". It is being held Thursday, September 21st in Social Sciences 332 from 12:30-1:45 p.m. It is being presented by Assistant Professor Jonathan Anomaly who joined the UofA in 2017 from Duke University where he founded the Heterodox Academy website set up to fight a perceived liberal bias in universities.

My understanding is that Charles G. Koch foundation donated \$1 million to the UofA to create the "Center for the Philosophy of Freedom" which is a think tank designed to turn students into future lobbyists for the right-wing, anti-education foundation.

Please share with me the justification for accepting such a donation with the ties described. This appears to be a political propaganda lecture.

I look forward to your response. I hope to adjust my schedule so that I can attend this lecture, though it does not sound like friendly territory for someone who believes in the public school education, especially higher public education in Arizona.

Sincerely,
Charlotte Harris