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To
The CALS Representatives to the UA Faculty Senate

Senators,

The following Members of the CALS Faculty Council respectfully request that you share our “Expression of Concern” with Dr. Lynn Nadel, Chair, UA Faculty Senate; this is in regard to the Email with the subject “Chair Talk 4.7- In Case You Were Wondering”, which was distributed on 01/23/2018.

We, as representatives of CALS faculty, find it regrettable and inappropriate that Prof. Nadel, in his official capacity as the leader of all UA faculty, chose to:

1. Comment on an ongoing investigation
2. Share a personal opinion prejudicial to one individual, when both Principals in the case were/are UA faculty members
3. Disseminate the above to UA faculty who, at this time, have no other knowledge or information (appropriately so) about this issue due to the early stage of any formal proceedings about this case.

We fully acknowledge that Dr. Nadel has since apologized for the above communication (email dated 01.24.2018). However, through the past two days, we have received comments from faculty throughout CALS, who have expressed concerns similar to those above, and who have urged us to convey to Dr. Nadel and the Faculty Senate their sincere hope that no detriment to either Personnel or due process results from his communication.

Please let me know if you have any questions, and thank you for your attention to this important matter. The CALS Faculty Council stands ready to work with you at all times.

Best regards,

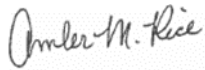
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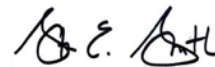
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