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No, the passage you referenced below is not what I am concerned about. It has to do with the paragraph, specifically the first sentence, at the BOTTOM of the page of your flyer/invitation ("Affirmative Action: Pro & Con"); that is too unbalanced for me. That paragraph (first sentence) needs to reflect both sides of the debate for and against affirmative action.

----- Original Message -----
From: C. M. Allen
To: Curtis Stokes
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2006 3:53 PM
Subject: Re: Publicity materials for the TAFM Debate on 10/19

Good afternoon, Prof. Stokes,

Sorry - I think I confused matters with the wording of my request to you, which seemed to invite a general review of the publicity. What I really intended to request was that you review the biographical materials that pertain to you -- which is what I ask of every speaker at the TAFM debates.

As best I can tell from your message to me, it is the following paragraph that you find problematic:

TAFM aims to further understanding of equal opportunity issues involved in guaranteeing civil rights for all citizens, to preserve Michigan's tradition of progressively affirming civil rights for all, and to provide a forum for the fair and open exchange of views on the question of affirmative action. For more information on TAFM, visit www.towardafairmichigan.org.

That is actually TAFM's mission statement and, of course, we do not want to change that. I am sure that is understandable.

Thanks.

Carol