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Dear Mr. Lukianoff:

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Chancellor Donald J. Mash has asked that I respond to your letter of December 16, 2004 concerning the University's service learning program, and an application for student fee support by *The Flipside*, a student newspaper.

With respect to the service learning program, the Chancellor has appointed an *ad hoc* committee to review the guidelines for service learning, and it is anticipated that the committee will complete its work in the coming semester. The committee's work will focus principally on the academic aspects of service learning, but will also likely include guidance designed to avoid any violation of the Establishment Clause on the part of the University.

No decision has yet been made on the application for student fee funding submitted by *The Flipside*. Again, however, the University is committed to assisting the student government in evaluating the application in a manner consistent with *Board of Regents v. Southworth*, 529 U.S. 217(2000), a case with which we are very familiar here.

I hope this information will be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Brady
General Counsel

cc: Chancellor Mash
Vice Chancellor Andrew Soll