

**Subject:** RE: Apology to MSOE Right to Life from MSOE Libertarians  
**From:** "Kussman, Kip" <kussman@msoe.edu>  
**Date:** 5/11/2021, 5:13 PM  
**To:** "Bilkey, John" <bilkeyj@msoe.edu>

I am good with this.

Thanks John-

Kip



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**From:** Bilkey, John <bilkeyj@msoe.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 11, 2021 4:05 PM  
**To:** Kussman, Kip <kussman@msoe.edu>  
**Subject:** Re: Apology to MSOE Right to Life from MSOE Libertarians

Hi Kip,

I think I would email it to Riley and she can share it with the group as she sees fit. Would that make sense or did you have something else in mind?

John Bilkey

Sent from my BlackBerry

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Hi John-

I think this looks good.

What are your thoughts about how you will deliver this to Rylie and the rest of the group in a meaningful way?

Kip



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**From:** Bilkey, John <[bilkeyj@msoe.edu](mailto:bilkeyj@msoe.edu)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 11, 2021 3:54 PM  
**To:** Kussman, Kip <[kussman@msoe.edu](mailto:kussman@msoe.edu)>  
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Hi Kip,

I wrote this letter and received feedback from the executive board of MSOE Libertarians, I'd like to hear your thoughts on it and hopefully get it to Riley.

Thanks,  
John Bilkey

To Riley Gill and the members of MSOE Right to Life,


The executive board of MSOE Libertarians and I are reaching out to you with the hopes of reconciliation between our groups. We recognize the disrespect we showed when we applied our message to your sign, a piece of your property.

We want you to know that we saw your display as a good conversation starter on a controversial topic, and we are glad you chose to share your opinions on our campus.

Many people at this school disagree with the stances your organization holds, just like many people at MSOE would disagree with the viewpoints we hold. Only with the free discussion of ideas and challenging preconceived notions can people grow, and that is exactly what we love to see.

We could have encouraged discussion on the legality of abortion in a more productive way and did not mean to cause strife between our groups or show disrespect to your members. My grandparents have a sticker on their bumper that says "how you behave is more important than what you believe", and we dropped the ball this time.

We hope that we have made up for our behavior by owning up to what we did, and our organizations will return to a mutual relationship of comradery and respect.



John Bilkey

President of MSOE Libertarians