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Ms. Kelsey Ryan
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Dear Ms. Ryan:

This correspondence is in response to your letter dated November 10, 2009 and delivered to my office November 12, 2009. There are several issues contained in your correspondence, which really are separate and unrelated items. Hopefully, the following will address each item in light of its separate and distinct nature.

First, let me begin by agreeing with you that The Bulletin is entirely free to develop its own editorial policies. Freedom of the press as guaranteed by the First Amendment is, and will continue to be, recognized at Emporia State University. With that said, I would like to thank you for providing information on the corrections your staff made.

Next, I did make inquiry about the status of the current Student Media Board Constitution. Subsequent to my request to review the current document, a signed Constitution has been retrieved. Therefore, I do not require any further information on the status of that document at this time.

On a separate issue, and in response to your inquiry and statements regarding The Bulletin Adviser, please understand that any issues related to Emporia State University employees are personnel matters and not subject to public discussion.

I hope the information above alleviates your concerns about the administration wanting more control or limiting the freedoms as guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.

Sincerely,

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