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Actually Nancy reminded me why I had what I put in there. The last thing the press reported was that the Dean recommended my dismissal. They will jump on that if I do not address it.. If I don't have anything in there not only will I will be asked about it but the statement simply looks like I had a choice between dismissal and retirement..

SO, here is my proposed revised press statement. Purely factual

Today the University closed their pending employment review process against me, and contemporaneously I announced my intention to retire from my position as Professor in the School of Earth and Space Exploration and the Physics Department at ASU, at the end of this academic year, May 16, 2019. I feel vindicated that the University has accepted my retirement request and agreed to settle the employment process with no admission of wrongdoing. It is worth stressing that following the University Investigation it remains true that none of my students, faculty colleagues, postdoctoral research associates, or participants in the Origins events I led over the the past decade at ASU has issued any complaints to the University regarding my behavior. The Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences had recommended my dismissal on July 31 following the completion of investigations by the Office of Equity and Inclusion. I then appealed the Dean's decision and I presented new evidence and information that undermined the credibility of the claims, and a number of the claimants. Subsequent to that the Dean and I met for Conciliation. I am gratified by this result. I look forward to continuing my writing, research, and public outreach activities elsewhere after retiring from ASU.

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On Oct 12, 2018, at 8:49 AM, Lawrence Krauss <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I could take out.. **I do not know if this factored into the University's decision to settle this matter with no admission of wrongdoing but I am gratified by this result.**  
and simply say. "The University and I then met for conciliation. I am gratified by the result.

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On Oct 12, 2018, at 8:02 AM, Lawrence Krauss <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Ah. But I think it may be brilliant. If they don't respond, I win. If they do, it goes to the disparagement clause and they will be the first to show that voluntary release of potentially disparaging facts is acceptable. :)

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Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 12, 2018, at 6:00 AM, Justin Dillon <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I would take out the bolded language—it will only prompt them to respond, and I worry it is spiking the football a little too much.

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On Oct 12, 2018, at 12:55 AM, Lawrence Krauss <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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