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Subject: November 9 Action by BOT

I can't believe that the Board didn't comprehend that in firing Joe when they did they would lend credence to all the wild, distorted, vindictive stories ginned up by the media; that in doing so they would destroy Coach Paterno's reputation as well as that of the whole football program if not the University. If the board would have just said they were putting him on administrative leave until this affair sorted itself out along with the statement that he had reported the incident according to Penn State guidelines, had not been indicted, was not under investigation, and had cooperated fully with the grand jury this might have saved a lot of consternation. Cowards that you are, you have not had the nerve to face the public, instead sending President Erickson to take the heat for your folly.

I have lost all faith in the BOT and their leadership. I will strongly support all activities related to replacement of all current members of the Board and the reorganization thereof. I am a lifetime member of the Alumni Association and my memory is long.

Fred Becker '54