

*Gay
Liberation*

November 14, 1973

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THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE
KNOXVILLE 37916
OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

October 22, 1971

Mr. Kyle McDaniel
GLF Representative
821 Volunteer Boulevard
Campus

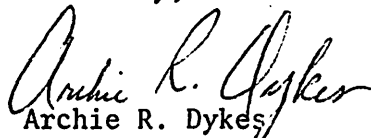
Dear Mr. McDaniel:

Since receipt of your letter of October 8, I have reviewed the efforts of the Gay Liberation Front to achieve University recognition as a student organization. This review included scrutiny of minutes of the Administrative Council and consultation with Dr. Aldmon and others who were involved in the deliberations.

I agree with Dr. Aldmon that the creation of a Gay Liberation Board within the Student Senate is inappropriate. To permit the GLF to function as such a Board of the Student Senate after it has been denied recognition would negate current University policies requiring procedural due process and ignore actions taken last year by the Administrative Council and the previous Chancellor. Since the matter of recognition is not before me at this time, it would be inappropriate to respond further.

Please let me know if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,


Archie R. Dykes
Chancellor

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JUNE 2, 1971

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Mr. Baxter C. Davis
280 South Crest Road
Chattanooga, Tennessee 37404

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 4 expressing your concern about the status of the Gay Liberation Front at the University of Tennessee.

I am enclosing a copy of my statement to the news media on June 2, 1971, which expresses the University's position in this matter. I believe the statement is self-explanatory.

I appreciate your interest in the University of Tennessee. It is always a pleasure to hear from our alumni.

Yours very truly,

C. H. Weaver
Chancellor

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Enclosure