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Dear Bob:

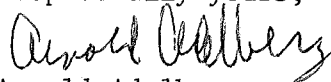
Thanks again for the opportunity to appear before the Board, and for your courtesy.

I was saddened by the outcome of the conversation. It appears that our long-standing arrangement, which has been mutually beneficial, is about to terminate. I was surprised by the apparent hostility of some Board members. I hope that I did not contribute to this by my introductory remarks. I was trying to show that the MAA is different from the sections of the Academy, so I was surprised and disappointed by the questions about why the "math section is different from any other section." I was also personally and professionally affronted by the remark of one Board member to the effect that "individuals and organizations are only interested in getting benefits from the Academy, without incurring any costs." I thought that your ideas about affiliate status and reimbursement were both worth exploring, but the negative tenor of the discussion incline me to favor separation at this point, at least until cooler heads prevail.

If the Academy wishes to propose something along the lines of your proposal or whatever, I would be glad to present it to the MAA this Spring at our business meeting. If there is a registration fee obligation recognized by the MAA, I would expect all participants meet this obligation. For this year, however, we will try to meet at the same time and place as the Academy, but otherwise have no formal relationship.

In light of the fact that it is unlikely that the Academy's math section will be organized by this Spring, would you object to our reserving a couple of rooms at Coe? Please let me know as soon as you can, so that I can make alternate arrangements, if necessary.

Respectfully yours,

  
Arnold Adelberg

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