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Request for meeting

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Subject : Request for meeting**To** : E.Jeanne Durr <durre@uwplatt.edu>

Jeanne,

May I please meet with you at your earliest convenience? Ever since the sexual harassment complaint by a student against a faculty member that I reported I feel attacked in my department chair. At our recent department meeting on Thursday he brought up that someone "made a big deal out of a student complaint and before notifying him took it all the way to the provost" (paraphrased by me). This is inaccurate information and obviously about me. At least 3 people in our department know that the chair was referring to me and the others have probably figured it out by now too. I feel retaliated against and was very uncomfortable at the meeting.

I request a full investigation into my report of the student complaint. If Dr. Caywood believes I acted poorly he should report it so my actions can be evaluated by a neutral third party. If I acted poorly I owe him an apology and I will certainly do so and accept the consequences such as an entry in my file and that should then be the end of it. I am entitled to due process just as the department member in question of the student complaint. If I acted correctly then I want to be fully vindicated in my department and get a commitment from the chair that I will be treated fairly and professionally. Either way I cannot accept the ongoing bitterness I have been experiencing from Dr. Caywood.

I always had the best interests of the student and the department in mind. I don't want to work for a department that retaliates against a member who reports a concern.

Thank you,

Sabina
