

Rebuttal to my Removal from the board:

Dear Threshold Members,

I agree that this board has been consumed with infighting, placating the landlord, and trying to monopolize/wrangle power.

When I decided to run for the board, it was after the 77-day closure. No one was running for Corporate Secretary, and I really wanted to help Threshold. I wanted to help make Threshold an inclusive space.

A welcoming space to everyone. Since I assumed my position, there have been orchestrated attacks on members of Threshold, due to them trying to inform the community. Rampant acts of cronyism to anyone who is willing to be a sycophant to the majority of the board. Or whomever is willing to assist their accumulation of clout.

Their constant condescension, paired with their attempts to humiliate and harass me, never stopped. Their constant demands for my resignation started after my vote for the hearing. They only changed their votes to follow public demand. They also thought that an apology to membership would make them seem weak.

Frequently, there were board members harassing me at my parties and encouraging their chairs to do the same. (Ex. the gatekeeper chair insisted that they had permission from the CFO to drop cash from a party, when only a member from the Board of Directors is insured to do so.) Also, under the CFO's care, there is close to nine thousand dollars unaccounted for.

I have no defense for myself. I tried to do what I thought was right and tried to fight for what I thought would benefit the club and defend any of the staff that were my subordinates. I am accepting of whatever membership decides.

The only board member whom I think is worth saving is JJ. He genuinely cares for the club. He has navigated all of the horrendous slights that the other board members have thrown his way with grace and ease. He can rally membership to come to the club's aide. He is a contractor who can make the necessary repairs. He is honest, kind and loyal. The face he gives the public is true to his nature.

The one board member that I vehemently plead with membership not to renew is the 5th board member. He has been a social chameleon, saying whatever he thinks will get him votes. He has tried to dictate everyone's role at the club and that is not his position. He has bent the rules to favor his cronies and himself. He has taken credit for one of my parties. He is planning on overturning the tier membership decision, Which he stated in email. I cannot ascribe motives to his behavior, but it appears that he is only concerned about how he looks and what the club can do for him.

Thank you for your time.

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