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Dear Ms. Martin:

You've heard of DEI, but have you ever come across ABIDE?

In a world where diversity and inclusion have become central to our shared values, it's time we shed light on initiatives that often go unnoticed. The Access, Belonging, Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity (ABIDE) Committee within the UNC Hussman School of Journalism and Media is precisely one of those initiatives. Their innovative efforts have created a lasting impact that deserves recognition not only in the confines of our university but also beyond.

ABIDE has implemented and supported numerous initiatives, such as the development of MEJO 142, a course about cultural competency in journalism. Moreover, ABIDE funds many diverse projects for the school's faculty, students, and staff through grants. However, oddly enough, we don't hear much about these accomplishments.

I propose a story that will encompass a detailed exploration of the recently launched committee. By spotlighting ABIDE, we aim not only to raise awareness of the incredible work it's doing, but also to inspire other organizations and clubs within the UNC community to collaborate on DEI initiatives.

The piece will be approximately 800- to 1,000- words, and I can provide many photographs of the ABIDE Committee and its key members. Drawing from my experiences as a content creator, I've exemplified strong writing skills through my internship with Independent Animal Rescue, a nonprofit in Durham. My passion for impactful storytelling is unwavering, and casting a well-deserved spotlight on ABIDE will motivate organizations beyond UNC-Chapel Hill to join in. I am excited about the prospect of sharing this story, and I hope to hear from you soon.

In health,

Angel Jin