

relations with older men and open jokes about pedophilia at meetings in his own positive spin on things. This type of sexual abuse and verbal harassment has become a common part of *OUT* and its advisors and youth members – almost like a mutual joke shared by everyone, but making many if not most of the youth very uncomfortable and distressed. It especially concerns me now because the meetings are being held 3 times a week in the private home of Ed and Virginia Slawson.

To summarize some of the experiences of other youth members at *OUT* meetings and events, I will list the following for the purpose of simplicity, and then finish with a final, more personal note.

- [REDACTED], a youth member, continually and repeatedly sexually harassing other youth members with advances and lies about his sexual relations, which according to him, were with every member of *OUT*. Even our coordinator (advisor) Lis Clark joked about how pathetic his constant lies were, and yet when myself and other youth members complained of the sexual harassment, Lis simply scoffed it off as immaturity.
- Another youth member, [REDACTED] threatened suicide online and blamed it on myself, because he looked up to me and was jealous of my relationship with Josh Lowell. The youth member [REDACTED] discovered [REDACTED]'s online post while browsing a gay porn hookup site (www.gaywatch.com) during an *OUT* meeting. It caused a lot of distress to all of us, knowing he was out on the streets attempting suicide while we are at our meeting.
- Suicide threats and attempts have been a common part of our organization. We once invited a counselor to speak at one of our meetings, and 3 of the members just ran out of the building crying because they couldn't handle the situation.