June 7, 2011

VIA FACSIMILE & CERTIFIED MAIL

Dr. Christopher Koch  
Illinois State Board of Education  
100 North First Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62777

Re: Illinois Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Dr. Christopher Koch,

Please consider this correspondence a formal request for documents pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq. Pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/1.2, all records in the custody or possession of a public body are presumed to be open to inspection or copying. If any part of this request is denied, please reference the specific document denied and the legal basis upon which disclosure is being denied.

Pursuant to FOIA, please provide the following:

Any and all information including and related to any contracts between the Illinois State Board of Education ("ISBE"), and/or Chicago Public Schools ("CPS"), and the University of Chicago Charter School including, but not limited to, contracts, any and all addendums and/or amendments to the contract, charter school approval documents, correspondence by and between ISBE, CPS and the University of Chicago Charter School related to the charter school contract and the approval process for Illinois charter schools.

The principal purpose for this information request is to safeguard the interests and to protect the health, safety, welfare and legal rights of the general public. This request for information is not for the purpose of personal or commercial gain. Accordingly, pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/6(c), we request a waiver of all copying fees. Please be aware that FOIA requests require a response within five (5) working days of your receipt. We look forward to your timely compliance, since this correspondence is being received by you today by facsimile.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me.
Sincerely,

Brooke R. Whitted

cc: Mr. Mark Wancket, FOIA Coordinator
ISBE