February 16, 2012

Maria Bernasconi

Dear Ms. Bernasconi:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Feb. 9.

You have requested information compiled for a previous FOIA request, file number 11-313. Our response is as follows:


Response 1 – Our agency has a hard copy of this document, totaling 45 pages.

Request 2 - A "memoranda of law submitted by District 33 in G.I.S. Venture ".

Response 2 – Our agency has a hard copy of this document, totaling 34 pages.

Request 3 - A "transcript of July 31, 2007 proceedings".

Response 3 – Our agency has a hard copy of this document, totaling 35 pages.

Request 4 – “ALL communications between the ISBE and Ms. Katz and/or her law firm (Robbins Schwartz) from August 20, 2007 (circuit court judgment) to present that relate to Article 20 of the School Code in general and the G.I.S. Ventures case in particular. This would include the 1 page mentioned above and any subsequent public records generated to date.”

Response 4 – Our agency has a hard copy of the one-page document referenced. There are no additional communications.

The paper documents referenced in our responses may be examined in ISBE’s Springfield office. If you wish to receive paper copies of these materials, which do not exist in electronic formats, the duplication cost is $9.75 (65 pages x .15 per page). Note that there is no charge for the first 50 pages. Please direct a check to the attention of Amanda Simhauser – made payable to the Illinois State Board of Education. The agency’s FOIA guidelines can be found at the following location: http://www.isbe.net/ihmls/foia.htm.
If you have questions or would like to schedule a time to review these documents on site, please contact Amanda Simhauser at (217) 782-4648 or asimhaus@isbe.net

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Director of Public Information