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[emailed to scottla@u4sd.org]

Laurie Scott Champaign CUSD #4

Dear Ms. Scott:

This letter is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act. Your request was received on Oct. 17, 2016.

You have requested reviewer's comments for Champaign CUSD4's FY16 NSLP Equipment Assistance Grant proposal for Kenwood Elementary schools submitted in June 2015. I am specifically interested in learning how our proposal was evaluated, ie the number of points scored per each review criteria listed in the original RFP.

The attached document (17-112-scott-doc.pdf) has been provided in response to your request.

Champaign CUSD #4 applied for the FY2016 NSLP Equipment Assistance Grant for Kenwood Elementary in June 2015 and received a score of 65. See attached for reviewer's score sheets.

Further explanation for not receiving maximum points in two areas:

- SFA did previously receive an equipment grant 0/25 (Champaign CUSD #4 received an equipment grant in FY10 for Booker T. Washington and Garden Hills Elementary. Booker claimed \$33,290 of the \$44,125 for reimbursement; no expenditures were claimed for Garden Hills.)
- School is self-operated and/or satellites meals to other NSLP schools 0/10 (although Kenwood desired to be self-operated through this grant, it was not at the time of review).

As outlined in the RFP, applications were ranked by score, from highest to lowest. Funding started with highest score and proceeded downward until all funds were exhausted. We were able to award down to scores of 85, and more recently due to unspent funds from original award, down to one school with a score of 80. With a score of 65, Kenmore Elementary was not funded.

If you have questions, please contact Megan Griffin at (217) 782-4648 or mgriffin@isbe.net.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Stevens Deputy General Counsel- Program Support

Attachment