

July 21, 2021

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VIA EMAIL – slazansky@shawmedia.com

Re: FOIA request dated and received 7/19/21

Subject: Provide any and all documents of written and digital correspondence related to Item 8.8 from the July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Education.

This letter will serve as Oswego Community Unit School District 308's response to your FOIA request received on July 19, 2021 under the Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.), in which you asked for the above referenced information. The information regarding your request is being denied due to the following citations under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act as follows:

Section 7(1)(I) of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(I): Minutes of meetings of public bodies closed to the public as provided in the Open Meetings Act until the public body makes the minutes available to the public under Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act.

Section 7.5(r) of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/7.5(r): Information prohibited from being disclosed by the Illinois School Student Records Act.

The decision to withhold the redacted information was made by me consulting with our District legal counsel. You have a right to have the denial of your request reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). You can file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Public Access Counselor Office of the Attorney General 500 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Springfield, IL 62706

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this denial letter. Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter when filing a Request for Review with the PAC. You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the State circuit court. 5 ILCS 140/11.

To promote district transparency and assist others who may have a similar question, this responsive document will be posted online on the district's website. To access it, go to <a href="www.sd308.org">www.sd308.org</a> and select Our District > Freedom of Information Act Request > FOIA Request Responses > FOIA Requests Responses -2021 > then select FOIA ID #21-47

Please be advised that to comply with your FOIA request, the district incurred an expense that comprised of the cost of labor and resources used to search for records responsive to your request. Let me know if you have additional questions. Thank you.

Carrie Szambelan

Carrie Szambelan Freedom of Information Officer