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Subject: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request

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Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2022 4:34 PM

To: [REDACTED]

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Dear Ms. Deckard,

As a follow-up to our November 29, 2022 response to your [November 15, 2022 FOIA request](#), our IT department conducted searches for the public documents/emails associated with items #1, #3, and #4 of your request in order to fully determine the scope of work:

Item # 1

all:("book" OR "books")

AND

all:("challenge" OR "review" OR "97" OR "Deckard")

AND

Dates Nov 1-15

Search result: 20,922 emails

Item #3

all:("book" OR "books" OR "library")

AND

all:("challenge" OR "review")

AND

Dates August 15 - Nov15

Search result: 119,316 emails

Item #4

all:("IS-38.1" OR "PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING QUESTIONED OR CHALLENGED SCHOOL LIBRARY MATERIALS")

AND

Date June 1 - Nov 15

Search result: 315 emails

These searches have returned a total of 140,553 emails. In accordance with S.C. Code Ann. 30-4-30(B), the BCSD estimates search, retrieval, and redaction, if necessary, of documents to respond to your request will require 1,405 hours, for an estimated cost of \$63,193 plus 6 cents per copy for a total cost of \$71,626. Costs may increase or decrease. A 25% deposit of the total reasonably anticipated cost is required before work will begin on your request. Please make all checks out to the Beaufort County School District and send to my attention. As your request is extremely broad, in order to lower the cost you may wish to consider narrowing your request to be more specific to include information about each record sought, such as the date, title or

name, author, recipients, and subject matter of the records and resubmit your request. Please indicate the specific terms you wish for us to search as part of your request.

Kind regards,
Candace

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Good afternoon, Ms. Deckard:

The district is in receipt of your [November 15, 2022 FOIA request](#), which was hand-delivered to the District. For future reference, the District has an online form for submitting FOIA requests which can be found here: <https://www.beaufortschools.net/about-us/public-infofoia-request/foiafoia-requests/foia-online-request-form>. The online form process assists with tracking when requests are submitted and received by the District. As a professional courtesy, we are conducting searches for the public documents/emails associated with items #1, #3, and #4 of your request in order to fully determine the scope of work and will respond within the time allotted by South Carolina law pursuant to S.C. Code Section 30-4-30 (C).

Below are the Board of Education meeting agendas for the dates as requested in item #2:

- Oct. 18:
<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1666039030/beaufortk12scus/wipexshudclezyajw5c7/October182022BOEAgendaFinal.pdf>
- Oct. 26:
<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1666715409/beaufortk12scus/yn40pzgthrmxz6ukiie/October262022SpecialCalledExecutiveSessionMeetingAgenda.pdf>
- Nov. 1:
<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1667245564/beaufortk12scus/kisd3jrvvk7ngmfjx8ts/November12022BOEAgendafinal.pdf>

Responsive to item #5 of your request for the “written criteria for the review of the 97 challenged books” is Regulation 38.1 Procedures for Handling Questioned or Challenged School Library Materials: <https://boardpolicyonline.com/?b=beaufort&s=1303535>.

Additionally, the District does not have any documents that are responsive to item #6 in your request, which requests a “[c]opy of the projected cost of reviewing these 97 challenged books.”

Kind regards,
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