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Subject: FOIA Request for Checkbook Response from D228  
Date: June 26, 2014 at 9:07:34 AM CDT  
To: illinois@openthebooks.com  
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**From:** [illinois@openthebooks.com](mailto:illinois@openthebooks.com)  
**Date:** June 24, 2014 at 10:57:21 AM EDT  
**To:** [illinois@openthebooks.com](mailto:illinois@openthebooks.com)  
**Subject:** FOIA Request for Checkbook (Sent on 06/24/2014)...

Dear Open Records Compliance Officer,

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act/Open Records Act, this is a request for a copy of the following records: an electronic copy of "any" and "all" vendor (transfer of property or services) payee payments for the years 2008-2013 broken down by year. Production shall include the vendor name; vendor address; vendor city; vendor state name; vendor zip code; Check Date/ ACH Date; Check Number/ACH code; Check Amount/ ACH Amount; department; agency; type of payment (i.e. contract, grant, etc.)and description of products or services/ purpose of payment.

The principal purpose of this is to make this information more accessible to the public and to access and disseminate information regarding the health, safety, and welfare of the general public. This request is not principally for personal or commercial benefit. Our agency is just exercising the general rights of the public. For these reasons we are requesting a waiver of fees. If there is a charge for this service please obtain my approval in writing prior to proceeding with request.

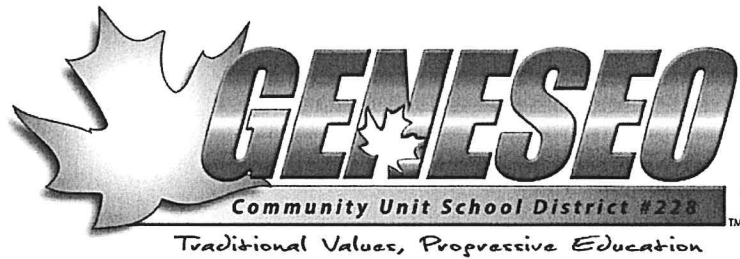
All documents can be e-mailed to [illinois@openthebooks.com](mailto:illinois@openthebooks.com) or mailed in electronic format (preferred format would be .csv or xls). If any documents are not provided in the format specified, please provide the state or federal statutes relied upon for that decision. If any record or portion of a record responsive to this request is contained in a record or portion of a record deemed unresponsive to the request, our agency would like to inspect the entire document. Under the Open Records Act/Freedom of Information Act, all non-exempt portions of any partially-exempt documents must be disclosed. If any records or portions of records are withheld, please state the exemption on which you rely, the basis on which the exemption is invoked, and the name of the individual responsible for

the decision.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of my request. If you have any questions, or if I can be of any assistance, please e-mail me at [illinois@OpenTheBooks.com](mailto:illinois@OpenTheBooks.com)

Sincerely,  
Adam Andrzejewski  
Chairman  
Data Collection Department  
email:illinois@[openthebooks.com](http://openthebooks.com)

**Natalie Haugse**  
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June 25, 2014

VIA E-MAIL TO [illinois@OpenTheBooks.com](mailto:illinois@OpenTheBooks.com)

Mr. Adam Andrzejewski  
Chairman  
Data Collection Department

Re: June 24, 2014 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request

Dear Mr. Andrzejewski:

This confirms our receipt on Friday, June 24, 2014 of your FOIA request, and serves as the District's first response to your request. You have asked to receive:

...an electronic copy of "any" and "all" vendor (transfer of property or services) payee payments for the years 2008-2013 broken down by year. Production shall include the vendor name; vendor address; vendor city; vendor state name; vendor zip code; Check Date/ACH Date; Check Number/ACH Code; Check Amount/ACH Amount; department; agency; type of payment (i.e. contract, grant, etc.) and description of products or services/purpose of payment.

You have asked that we send the records to you in electronic format, preferably .csv or .xls.

Please be advised that you can access PDF electronic copies of the bill listings submitted to the Board of Education for approval on the District's website. You can access the bill listings for each regular Board meeting as follows: [www.dist228.org](http://www.dist228.org); click on the link for "School Board"; click on the link for "Meeting Agenda/Minutes"; click on the link for any Regular Board meeting (e.g. "Regular May 8 Board of Education Meeting"); click on "Consent Agenda." A list of attachments will be at the bottom which include disbursements paid by the district. The Financial Reports for Rock River Cooperative Alternative School, of which Geneseo CUSD 228 is the administrative district, are also present under the "Consent Agenda." In approximately 2010, the formatting of the minutes changed slightly such that the user is not required to click "Consent Agenda" prior to opening the attached bill listings. However, all bill listings for the period you requested are available on the website. Please note that the District does not have this information in either .csv or .xls format, and it is not feasible to furnish the records in these formats. We are providing you with access to these records



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in the electronic format in which they are maintained by the District, as authorized by Section 6(a) of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140/6(a).

Although these records do not include information in all of the categories which you have specified, the electronic copies being provided via the District's website constitute the District's available records which are responsive to your request. The Illinois FOIA does not compel a public agency to provide answers to questions posed by the inquirer, or to create a new record. *Chicago Tribune Company v. Department of Financial and Professional Regulation*, 2014 IL App (4th), 8 N.E.3d 11.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Scott Kuffel".

Scott Kuffel

*Superintendent Geneseo CUSD #228 and Freedom of Information Officer*



July 9, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

This is in response to your request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140), dated 07/08/2014.

Response to Question Number:

1. NONE
2. NONE
3. See "Geneseo Community Unit School District #228 Payroll Check History Report of Deductions", dated 07/09/2014, attached.

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Tim Gronski  
Director of Support Services

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Tuesday, July 8, 2014

To whom it may concern.

This is a request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140).

Please provide any and all documents that contain the following:

1. *Any and all correspondence with current teachers regarding Hudson rights, Beck rights, "fair share" fees, or otherwise involving a reduction in the amount of union dues or agency fees paid by the teacher to reflect actual costs of representation.*

*In lieu of said correspondence, we will accept documentation showing the total number of current teachers who have invoked Hudson and/or Beck rights, or otherwise indicated their intention to have union dues reduced to an amount reflecting actual costs of representation. This may include those paying fair share fees.*

2. *Any and all documents referring to Hudson and/or Beck rights, "fair share" fees, or otherwise referring to legal means by which employees may limit their dues or agency fees to reflect actual costs of representation.*
3. *Any and all documents that state the total number of dues paying members of the teachers union (both reduced and full) currently working for your district.*

If any one part of this request is confusing or unduly burdensome, please consult us and do not disregard the remains aspects of the request.

If possible, please forward the requested document(s) to my attention by e-mail to: [pkersey@illinoispolicy.org](mailto:pkersey@illinoispolicy.org). The requested preferable format is digital. Documents may also be sent by regular mail to me at my office, 190 S. LaSalle St., Suite 1630, Chicago, IL 60603. As I am a researcher acting in the public interest, I ask that you waive any fees. Please notify me by telephone at 312-346-5700 or by email if you have any questions regarding my request or to make pick-up or delivery arrangements.

I will expect to receive your response within five business days, as required by the statute (5 ILCS 140/3(d)).

Thank you very much for your assistance.

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GEA DUES

Check Dates from 06/30/2014 through 06/30/2014

NUMBER EMPLOYEES		DEDUCTION		
<u>WITH DEDUCTIONS</u>	<u>DEDUCTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	
169	GEA GEN EDUC ASSOC	11,395.05	MISCELLANEOUS	
EMPLOYEES REPORTED:	169	11,395.05		

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