March 13, 2015

Julie Wurth
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Re: FOIA #15-146

Dear Ms. Wurth:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request of February 23, 2015, and received in my office on that date, in which you requested:

“…copies of the calendars (for daily schedules, appointments, meetings, travel, etc.) for Chancellor Phyllis Wise and President Robert Easter for 2014.”

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 106 pages.

Portions of these documents have been redacted or withheld pursuant to the following section(s) of the Act:

• 140/7(1)(a) that exempts from disclosure “Information specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or State law or rules and regulations implementing adopted under federal or State law.” This includes information required to remain confidential under state law, including, without limitation, the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct.

• 140/7(1)(b) that exempts from disclosure “Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order.” This includes private medical information, cell and home phone numbers, and home and private office addresses.

• 140/7(1)(c) that exempts from disclosure “Personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information.” This includes family event information, private travel information, names of private citizens and donor information, and meetings unrelated to university business.

• 140/7(1)(m) that exempts from disclosure “Communications between a public body and an attorney or auditor representing the public body that would not be subject to discovery in litigation, and materials prepared or compiled by or for a public body in anticipation of a criminal, civil or administrative proceeding upon the request of an attorney advising the public body…” Pursuant to this exemption, information covered
under the attorney client privilege and/or the work product doctrine that would not be subject to discovery was redacted from the responsive records.

Should you wish to inspect or receive a physical copy of these documents, please call Melanie Kuehn at the phone number below and she will provide you with all necessary details.

You have a right, under the law, to seek a review of this response by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) in the Office of the Attorney General. The PAC may be reached by phone at 217-782-1396, by email to publicaccess@atg.state.il.us, or by postal mail at the Public Access Bureau, 500 S. 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706. You also have the right to seek judicial review under section 11 of this Act.

If you have questions for our office, please contact 217-333-6400.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Hardy
Executive Director
and Chief Records Officer