August 12, 2015

Chris Webb

Re: FOIA Request 15-477

Dear Mr. Webb:

I write to respond to your Freedom of Information request dated July 30, in which you requested:

“The last five financial reports of the athletic department's equity in athletics data analysis (EADA).
The current and previous contract of head coach Dan Hartleb, and any relevant extensions or amendments to.
Correspondence to and from director of athletics Mike Thomas which Illinois Field renovations, upgrades and/or construction is addressed.”

Information responsive to your request is available and attached. These are public documents numbering 148 pages.

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

• 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 employment identification numbers, account numbers and other unique identifiers.

• 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 the names and identifying information of private citizens and donors.

• 140/7(1)(f) that exempts from disclosure “Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda, and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body.” This includes communications containing opinions, evaluations and recommendations and documents concerning the formulation of an action or policy.

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• 140/7(1)(g) that exempts from disclosure “trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person or business where the trade secrets or commercial or financial information are furnished under a claim that they are proprietary, privileged or confidential, and that disclosure of the trade secrets or commercial or financial information would cause competitive harm to the person or business.” The redacted portions are trade secrets or commercial information that has been determined to be proprietary, privileged, or confidential and disclosure of the same would cause competitive harm.

• 140/7(1)(i) exempts from production “Valuable formulae, computer geographic systems, designs, drawings and research data obtained or produced by any public body when disclosure could reasonably be expected to produce private gain or public loss.” This includes information that could lead to public loss if disclosed.

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