

Denise Green

From: "Public Information" <publicinformation@gilbertschools.net>
Date: Thursday, July 06, 2017 4:49 PM
To: "Parents"
Subject: 02.13.07 Green PRR ~ Multiple Requests (3)

Hello Ms. Green,

I have copied your response to our recent fulfillment of your 02.13.07 public records request. I have responded to each section in red.

1. I requested information about all employees designated as coordinators. I note that Jeremy Betts, whose position description online is "SAIS Technology Coordinator," was not included in the W-2s or in the contracts that were produced. Please produce the information for Jeremy Betts, whose online resume shows that he was employed by GPS through August 2016. I may discover other discrepancies as I organize these files you produced. **Jeremy Betts' online resume is incorrect, he does not have a 2015-2016 contract. All other legally disclosable documents within the scope of your request have been provided to you.**
2. The requested information for former GPS employee Steve Smith, AKA Charles Stevin Smith or Charles S. Smith, former director or executive director of technology, was not included in the information provided. I had hoped you would take the hint that I already had received his contract, and I hoped you would then assure that his W-2 was produced, but I did not receive that requested document. I note that Smith was employed by GPS for at least the month of January 2016. Please produce Smith's W-2 for 2016. **We have provided you with all legally disclosable documents within the scope of your request.**
3. Please produce the W-2 for the same Steve Smith for 2015. I had asked for it in a public records request you logged as 2.17.16. I pointed out in November 2016 that the request was not completely filled, which followed a phone conversation with Suzanne Zentner about the excessive delay in fulfilling the request. Rachael Thornton acknowledged receiving my email about the incomplete production, but later stated "all legally disclosable public records have been provided to you within the scope of your request." Once again, I ask that you produce Steve Smith's 2015 IRS Form W-2. **We have provided you with all legally disclosable documents within the scope of your request.**
4. The W-2 documents are improperly redacted. Many individual records have redacted the year of the W-2 form, rendering it useless for any purpose; an example is Christina Kishimoto's W-2 form in the batch of files. I have attached an example of the W-2 forms GPS previously released, which provides appropriate information, properly redacted. As Suzanne Zentner's 2015 W-2 form shows, wages, Social Security wages, Medicare wages, and state wages can vary significantly. Please produce for inspection and perhaps copying properly redacted IRS Forms W-2 for each employee, as I requested, with the year visible on each form. **We have provided you with all legally disclosable documents within the scope of your request.**
5. The ploy of producing public records via links to Google Drive is just that: a ploy. Surely you all are aware that the documents stored on the district's Google Drive require an email address with "@gilbertschools.net." I cannot access those documents on Google Drive. The complaint that the records are too large to email is puzzling. If the records cannot be separated into smaller files, you could ask me to provide a larger email box to receive them (I doubt that's the problem, but if it is, we can solve it immediately). Perhaps you could assign me a district email address and any other required login information for the purpose of accessing the files you claim to have produced via Google Drive. **The attachments will be sent to you in separate emails. The technology department was able to work them down to a size that could be emailed individually.**
6. Is GPS seriously going to take months to respond to my public records requests? Other requestors receive more expeditious responses, as your own FOIA log shows. In the past two years, I have requested IRS Forms in February, fully cognizant that GPS was required to deliver W-2 forms to employees no later than January 31st. My request was reasonable and GPS could have responded in promptly, as Arizona law requires. Instead of transparency, I encountered delays and illegal refusals to produce requested records. I note that GPS has not provided other IRS forms I requested, such as 1099s. Do those records exist? If so, please produce them so we can be done with this controversy. **We have provided you with all legally disclosable documents within the scope of your request.**

We will now consider this public request closed.

Sincerely,

Rachael Thornton



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