



# POUGHKEEPSIE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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June 8, 2016

Ms. Nina Schutzman  
Poughkeepsie Journal  
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Dear Ms. Schutzman,

I am in receipt of your electronic mail correspondence dated June 1, 2016, requesting the following District records pursuant to the New York State Freedom of Information Law:

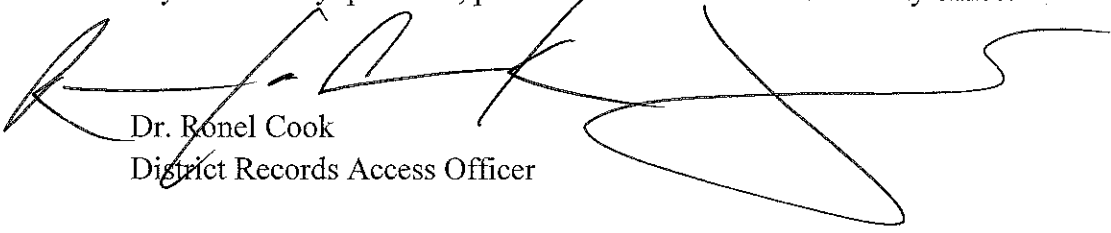
- 1) The number of absentee ballots counted in the final Poughkeepsie City School District tally for the May 2016 budget election and board vote
- 2) The number of absentee ballots not counted in the final Poughkeepsie City School District tally for the May 2016 budget election and board vote

In response to your request identified by the number "1" above, relevant existing District records which contain requested information have been attached. For the May 17, 2016 Board Election and Budget Vote there were 77 of absentee ballots counted and there were 79 which were marked void and were not counted.

If you wish to appeal this determination, pursuant to Public Officers Law, Article 6, the guidelines for appeal are as follows: an appeal should be in writing and directed to the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Nicole Williams, 11 College Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12603, (845) 451-4950. The time for deciding an appeal by the Superintendent shall commence upon receipt of written appeal identifying: a) the date and location of a request for records; b) the records that were denied; and c) the name and return address of the appellant. The Superintendent will transmit to the Committee on Open Government copies of all appeals upon receipt. Such copies shall be addressed to, Committee on Open Government, NYS Committee on Open Government, Department of State, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, Suite 650, Albany, NY 12231.

The Superintendent will inform you and the Committee on Open Government of her determination in writing within seven (7) business days of receipt of an appeal. The determination shall be transmitted to the Committee on Open Government. A final denial of access to a requested record will be subject to court review, as provided for in Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.



Dr. Ronel Cook  
District Records Access Officer

cc: NYS Committee on Open Government