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1. Any Board of Education resolution, motion, vote, action, approval or authorization establishing, creating, reactivating, recognizing or continuing a Habersham County Schools or Board of Education police department. **The police department was created in the early 2000's. When SRO services were contracted with the Habersham County Sheriff's office, no vote was taken to deactivate or dissolve the Habersham County Schools Police Department, it merely had no employees for several years. Therefore, there was no need for a new vote to create or reactivate the same.**
2. Any Board meeting minutes, agendas, attachments, executive-session records subject to disclosure, meeting packets or other records documenting a Board vote or action concerning creation, reactivation, operation or authorization of the Habersham County Schools Police Department. **The police department was created in the early 2000's. When SRO services were contracted with the Habersham County Sheriff's office, no vote was taken to deactivate or dissolve the Habersham County Schools Police Department, it merely had no employees for several years. Therefore, there was no need for a new vote to create or reactivate the same.**
3. Any resolution, motion, vote, policy or other Board action authorizing Murray Kogod to exercise the law-enforcement powers provided under O.C.G.A. § 20-8-5. **Completed through the adoption by the Board of the Job Description for Director of School Safety. See attached. In addition, all Job Descriptions are adopted annually by the Board through approval of the budget. See Meeting Summary for June 19, 2023, June 17, 2024, June 16, 2025 and June 15, 2026. Attached and highlighted.**
4. Any resolution, motion, vote, policy or other Board action authorizing any other Habersham County Schools employee presently identified as a police officer, school police officer, school resource officer, school security officer, investigator, chief of police or similar law-enforcement position to exercise powers pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 20-8-5 **Completed through the adoption by the Board of the Job Description for School Resource Officer. Attached and highlighted. See attached. In addition, all Job Descriptions are adopted annually by the Board through approval of the budget. See Meeting Summary for June 19, 2023, June 17, 2024, June 16, 2025 and June 15, 2026. Attached and highlighted.**
5. Any record establishing the effective date upon which Murray Kogod was granted law-enforcement authority by the Habersham County Board of Education. **Completed through the adoption by the Board of the Job Description for Director of School Safety. See attached. In addition, all Job Descriptions are adopted annually by the Board through approval of the budget. See Meeting Summary for June 19, 2023, June 17, 2024, June 16, 2025 and June 15, 2026. Attached and highlighted.**
6. Any record establishing the effective date upon which any current Habersham County Schools police officer was granted law-enforcement authority by the Habersham County Board of Education. **Completed through the adoption by the Board of the Job Description for School Resource Officer. Attached and highlighted. See attached. In addition, all Job Descriptions are adopted annually by the Board through approval of the budget. See Meeting Summary for June 19, 2023, June 17, 2024, June 16, 2025 and June 15, 2026. Attached and highlighted.**
7. Any document defining the law-enforcement powers, duties, jurisdiction, territorial authority, arrest authority or investigative authority granted to the Habersham County Schools Police Department or its officers. **O. C.G.A. Section 20-8-2 Law Enforcement Powers. See attached.**
8. Any policy, charter, organizational document, general order, memorandum, directive or other record establishing the Habersham County Schools Police Department as a separate law-enforcement entity.
9. Any record designating Murray Kogod as "Chief of Police," "Police Chief," law-enforcement head or head of the Habersham County Schools Police Department, including the Board action authorizing or approving that designation. **Completed through the adoption by the Board of the Job Description for School Resource Officer. Attached and highlighted. See attached. In addition, all Job Descriptions are adopted annually by the Board through approval of the budget. See Meeting Summary for June 19, 2023, June 17, 2024, June 16, 2025 and June 15, 2026. Attached and highlighted.**
10. Any record showing when the title "Habersham County Schools Police Department," "Habersham County Board of Education Police Department," "HCSS Police Department," or similar designation was officially adopted or approved by the Board.
11. Any records concerning the status, continuation, dissolution, dormancy, reactivation or reestablishment of any Habersham County school-system police department that existed before Murray Kogod's appointment or employment. **No such records exist. No action was taken to dissolve or deactivate the police department, when SRO services were contracted with the Habersham County Sheriff's Office.**
12. Any records relied upon by Habersham County Schools in determining that a previously existing Habersham County school police department remained legally established, active, dormant, capable of reactivation or otherwise available for renewed operation. Any correspondence between Habersham County Schools or the Board of Education and the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council concerning the creation, existence, status, reactivation, recognition or authority of the Habersham County Schools Police Department.
13. Any correspondence between Habersham County Schools or the Board of Education and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Georgia Crime Information Center, Federal Bureau of Investigation or any other state or federal agency concerning recognition, classification or establishment of the Habersham County Schools Police Department as a law-enforcement or criminal-justice agency.
14. Any records identifying the statutory, charter, policy or other governmental authority relied upon by Habersham County Schools to represent the Habersham County Schools Police Department as a police department or law-enforcement agency.

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