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US Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis said it best — “*Sunlight is said to be the best of disinfectants*”.

If the board does not reverse itself, and restore access to *all* communications by public employees, then that lack of transparency might lead to abuse of power and behavior that is not in the interests of the citizens of Wisconsin. Even when there is not wrongdoing, the misguided restriction will expose all public employees to accusations of impropriety that will gain credibility due to some communications being secret. It is much better for all public servants to know that citizens might be reviewing their work, and that they should behave accordingly.

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