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April 4, 2019

*Via electronic mail*

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Board of Education  
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RE: OMA Request for Review – 2019 PAC 57353

Dear Mr. Brannock:

The Public Access Bureau has received the enclosed Request for Review in which Mr. Josh Verbarg alleges that the Heyworth Community Unit School District #4 Board of Education (Board) violated the Open Meetings Act (OMA). Specifically, Mr. Verbarg alleges, among other things not relevant here, that the Board did not properly post the agenda for its March 20, 2019, meeting, which we construe as alleging a violation of sections 2.02(a) and 2.02(c) of OMA (5 ILCS 120/2.02(a), (c) (West 2016). This office needs additional information to review this alleged violation.

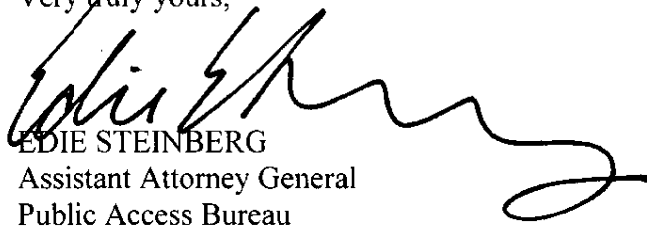
In order to further evaluate this matter, please provide a detailed written response to the allegations raised by Mr. Verbarg's Request for Review pertaining to posting the agenda for the March 20, 2019, meeting. In your response, please explain whether the Board posted agenda(s) for the March 20, 2019, meeting, and describe the location(s) of those postings, including physical locations and postings on its website, and the time and date those posting(s) were completed. Please also clarify whether the agenda was posted in a place that was continuously available for public review during the entire 48-hour period preceding the March 20, 2019, meeting. Additionally, please provide this office for our confidential review with copies of the agenda and minutes (draft form, if necessary) for the March 20, 2019, Board meeting.

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This information must be submitted to our office within seven (7) business days after receipt of this letter. 5 ILCS 120/3.5(b) (West 2016). As we review this matter, we will notify you if we require additional records or information. Please note that under OMA, "[t]he Public Access Counselor shall forward a copy of the answer or redacted answer, if furnished, to the person submitting the request for review. The requester may, but is not required to, respond in writing[.]" 5 ILCS 120/3.5(c) (West 2016). **If you claim that any portion of your written response is confidential, please send two versions of your response letter: a complete copy for this office's confidential review and a redacted version suitable for this office to forward to the requester.**

Please contact me at (312) 814-5201 if you have questions or would like to discuss this matter. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
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Enclosure

cc: *Via electronic mail*  
Mr. Josh Verbarg



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