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*Via electronic mail*

The Honorable Margaret Foiles  
President, Board of Education  
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RE: OMA Request for Review – 2025 PAC 85877

Dear Ms. Foiles:

The Public Access Bureau has received the attached Request for Review under section 3.5(a) of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) (5 ILCS 120/3.5(a) (West 2022)) from Mr. Fred Glover on behalf of the East Alton Education Association (Union). We have determined that further action is warranted.

In his Request for Review submitted on March 21, 2025, Mr. Glover alleges that the East Alton School District No. 13 Board of Education (Board) held an improper closed session discussion during its February 18, 2025, meeting. Specifically, Mr. Glover alleges that the Board improperly discussed the upcoming Board elections and the status of the Union interviewing incumbents for consideration of endorsement.

In order to further evaluate this matter, the Public Access Bureau asks the Board or its legal representative to provide this office with copies of the February 18, 2025, meeting agenda, minutes (both open and closed sessions, in draft form if necessary), and closed session verbatim recording. Please also provide a detailed written answer to the allegation that the Board improperly discussed the upcoming Board elections and the status of the Union interviewing incumbents for consideration of endorsement during closed session.

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As required by section 3.5(b) of OMA (5 ILCS 120/3.5(b) (West 2022)), please provide this information to this office within 7 business days after receipt of this letter. As we review this matter, we will notify you if we require additional records or information. You have the option under the OMA to provide a written response to these allegations in addition to the requested materials. That response may take the form of a letter, brief or memorandum. Please note that under OMA, this office is required to forward a copy of any response to the requester and to provide the requester with an opportunity to reply. 5 ILCS 120/3.5(c) (West 2022). The Act also permits the public body to provide a redacted version of its response for release to the requester. Accordingly, **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 [katherine.goldsmith@ilag.gov](mailto:katherine.goldsmith@ilag.gov) if you have questions or would like to discuss this matter. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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