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OR90-358

Dear Mr. Hutson:

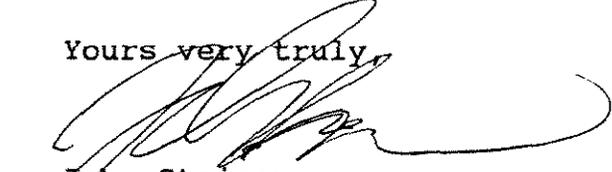
You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 8899. You seek to withhold agendas and minutes of the El Paso Independent School District Insurance Advisory Board. You state that this board is purely advisory.

We have considered the exception you claimed, specifically section 3(a)(11), and have reviewed the documents at issue. As you point out, Open Records Decision No. 461 (1987) has been overruled. The sample agenda and minutes submitted for our inspection are primarily factual recitations. The documents contain little advice, opinion, or recommendation. The items of the minutes entitled "Term Expiration" and "Summary of Questions and Answers" may be withheld if this information has not otherwise been made public. However, the balance of the documents submitted must be released. See Open Records Decision No. 563 (1990), copy enclosed. Accordingly, section 3(a)(11) cannot provide a blanket exception for agendas and meetings of the El Paso Insurance Advisory board. If you wish to withhold the balance of the requested information or portions thereof under section 3(a)(11) these documents must be submitted to this office within ten days for inspection, marked to show which portions contain advice, opinion, and recommendation protected by section 3(a)(11). If it is not apparent how section 3(a)(11) applies to specific information, please include an explanation of how the exception applies. Otherwise the information must be released.

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter

with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR90-358.

Yours very truly,



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Enclosure: Open Records Decision No. 563

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