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IOWA PUBLIC INFORMATION BOARD MEETING — AUGUST 2024

Meeting. The Iowa Public Information Board met on August 15, 2024, at the Wallace State Office Building in Des Moines.

The Board took the following actions:

- **Approved Minutes.** The Board approved the meeting minutes from the Iowa Public Information Board meeting held on July 18, 2024.
- **Adopted Advisory Opinions.** The Board adopted the following three advisory opinions:
 - The Board adopted an advisory opinion regarding whether Iowa law requires a government body to provide a record that must be pulled from a database or other electronic version of public record. The case included whether Iowa law requires a government body to perform a customized search and manipulation of data when it chooses to utilize a database or other electronic version of public records.
 - The Board adopted an advisory opinion regarding whether a video from a personal device containing government business is a public record.
 - The Board adopted an advisory opinion regarding whether a charitable foundation that is associated with a public institution of higher education in Iowa is a government body and subject to Iowa Code chapter [22](#).
- **Accepted Probable Cause Report.** The Board accepted one probable cause report. The Board found probable cause exists that the South Central Regional Airport Agency violated Iowa Code chapter [21](#), alleging it held two separate meetings in private. The complaint allegation was dismissed as a matter of administrative discretion.
- **Accepted Final Reports.** The Board accepted the following three final reports:
 - The Board accepted a final report for a complaint alleging the City of Swan city council violated Iowa Code chapter 21, alleging the city council held a closed meeting. The complaint allegation was dismissed as successfully resolved.
 - The Board accepted a final report for a complaint alleging the City of Silver City city council violated Iowa Code chapter 21, alleging the city council improperly posted an agenda. The complaint allegation was dismissed as successfully resolved.
 - The Board accepted a final report for a complaint alleging the City of Leland violated Iowa Code chapter 22, alleging the city charged an unreasonable fee for a records request. The complaint allegation was dismissed as successfully resolved.
- **Tabled Case.** The Board tabled one case for future discussion.
- **Dismissed Cases.** The Board dismissed five complaint allegations. The Board found that the dismissed cases did not fall under the Board's jurisdiction, were legally insufficient, or did not have merit pursuant to Iowa Code section [23.8\(2\)](#).
- **Accepted Case.** The Board accepted one complaint allegation. The complaint was filed against the City of Eldora for failure to provide a record request pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 22.

Next meeting. The next Board meeting will be held on September 19, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the Wallace State Office Building in Des Moines.

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