(b) Advisory committee requests to close all or part of a meeting or a series of meetings are to include the reasons for proposed closure, citing specific exceptions involved under subsection (c) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code. Such requests are submitted by the AID Advisory Committee Representative, through the Advisory Committee Management Officer and the General Counsel to the Administrator at least forty (40) days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

(c) The Administrator’s determination is to be in writing and is to contain a brief statement of the reasons for closing the meeting (or portion thereof). The determination itself is to be made available to the public on request.

(d) When all or part of an advisory committee meeting is closed and detailed minutes are not to be made available in their entirety to the public, the Committee shall prepare and make available to the public within thirty (30) days of the close of the meeting a summary of its activities and related matters which are informative to the public consistent with the policy of 5 U.S.C. 552(b). Notice of availability of such a summary shall be incorporated in the notice of the meeting published in the Federal Register.

(e) To facilitate public participation in advisory committee meetings which are to be open or partially open to the public:

1. Meetings are to be held at a reasonable time and at a place that is accessible to members of the public.
2. The size of the meeting room is to be large enough to accommodate the Advisory Committee, its staff, and those members of the public who might be expected to attend.
3. Any member of the public is permitted to file a written statement with the committee, before or after the meeting.
4. Interested persons may be permitted to present oral statements at the meeting in accordance with procedures established by the committee, and to the extent time available for the meeting permits.
5. Other participation by members of the public is not permitted, except in accordance with procedures established by the committee.

§ 214.35 Minutes of meetings.

(a) Minutes are to be kept of each meeting of each advisory committee and its formal and informal sub-groups.

(b) The chairman or presiding officer designates a member or other person to keep the minutes.

(c) The minutes are to include:

1. The time and place of the meeting;
2. A list of members, staff, and A.I.D. employees attending;
3. A complete summary of matters discussed and conclusions reached;
4. Copies of all reports received, issued, or approved;
5. The extent to which the meeting was open to the public; and
6. The extent of public participation, including a list of those who presented oral or written statements and an estimate of the number of those who attended the meeting.

(d) The chairman or presiding officer of the advisory committee is to certify to the accuracy of the minutes. The certification is to indicate that “the minutes are an accurate and complete summary of the matters discussed and conclusions reached at the meeting held on (date(s)).”

§ 214.36 Records of advisory committees.

(a) The A.I.D. Advisory Committee Representative is to maintain the records of the advisory committee in a location known to the A.I.D. Advisory Committee Management Officer.

(b) Such records are to include the reports, transcripts, minutes, appendices, working papers, drafts, studies, agenda, and other documents which were made available to, or prepared for or by, the advisory committee.

(c) Advisory committee records are maintained and disposed of according to procedures prescribed in the Agency’s Handbook 21—Communications, Part III, Records Filing and Disposition Manual.