

## **SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHOREWOOD**

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### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board of Education encourages District community members to attend its meetings so they may become better acquainted with the operations and programs of the district and so that the Board may have an opportunity to hear public comments regarding district matters.

A period for public comments related to non-agenda items shall be scheduled at the each regular Board meeting. During the public comment period, the Board shall not consider or discuss complaints or grievances regarding District employees. Such concerns should be initially brought to the employee, the employee's immediate supervisor or submitted as a complaint in accordance with District complaint procedures. The Board shall listen to district community member's feedback but shall not act on any matter that was not specifically included in the public notice of the meeting.

The Board President shall recognize all speakers. Each person when called upon will be asked to provide his/her name and address however, no person shall be denied the opportunity to speak at the meeting if they do not share his/her personal information. Speakers shall be as brief as possible during the period for public comment. Discussion of any single item may be limited at the discretion of the Board President.

District community members wishing to speak to specific agenda items at regular Board meetings may be recognized at the discretion of the Board President when that item is being discussed. Should there be a large number of speakers planning to address an agenda item, the President may announce the total time for citizen comments and divide that time between speakers equally.

The Board President may terminate remarks of any individual who does not adhere to established rules for public participation at Board meetings, who speaks in a threatening or profane manner, or who is otherwise unable to conduct him/herself in a civilized manner.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 19.81 Wisconsin Statutes  
19.83(2)  
19.84(2)  
19.85

CROSS REF.: 171.2, Agenda Preparation and Dissemination

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