

~~It is the desire of the Board that interested citizens attend their regularly scheduled meetings or any special meeting where school business is transacted provided the meeting is not closed for reasons permitted by statute.~~

**Limit on
Participation**

Audience ~~Public~~ participation **at a Board Meeting** is limited to the **portion of** ~~regular meeting and to~~ **the meeting designated to receive public comment in accordance with this policy** ~~time allotted for those individuals who have requested that an item be placed on the agenda and to address an agenda item according to the procedures listed below.~~ At all other times during a Board meeting, the audience shall not enter into discussion or debate on matters being considered by the Board, unless **requested by the presiding officer** ~~recognized by the President.~~

Public Comment

At all Board meetings, public comment shall be limited to items on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting.

Procedures

Individuals who wish to participate during the portion of the meeting designated for public comment shall sign up with the presiding officer or designee before the meeting begins as specified in the Board's procedures on public comment and shall indicate the agenda item on which they wish to address the Board.

Public comment shall occur at the beginning of the meeting.

Except as permitted by this policy and the Board's procedures on public comment, an individual's comments to the Board shall not exceed three minutes per meeting.

Meeting Management

When necessary for effective meeting management or to accommodate large numbers of individuals wishing to address the Board, the presiding officer may make adjustments to public comment procedures, including adjusting when public comment will occur during the meeting, reordering agenda items, continuing agenda items to a later meeting, providing expanded opportunity for public comment, or establishing an overall time limit for public comment and adjusting the time allotted to each speaker. However, no individual shall be given less than one minute to make comments.

Board's Response

Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to inquiries, but the Board shall not deliberate or decide regarding any subject that is not included on the agenda posted with notice of the meeting.

**Complaints and
Concerns**

The presiding officer or designee shall determine whether a person addressing the Board has attempted to solve a matter administratively through resolution channels established by policy. If not, the person shall be referred to the appropriate policy (see list below) to seek resolution:

Employee complaints: DGBA

Student or parent complaints: FNG

Public complaints: GF

Disruption

The Board shall not tolerate disruption of the meeting by members of the audience. If, after at least one warning from the presiding officer, any individual continues to disrupt the meeting by his or her words or actions, the presiding officer may request assistance from law enforcement officials to have the individual removed from the meeting.

Agenda Presentation

~~In order for an individual or group to place an item on the agenda of a Board meeting, the individual or group must submit a written request six working days before the date of the Board meeting to the Superintendent or President of the Board. The request shall include the person's name, address, telephone number, and the subject matter to be presented.~~

Addressing Agenda Items

~~Citizens may address the Board at a regular meeting on any agenda item by presenting their name, address, and agenda item to be discussed to the President of the Board on the form provided prior to the opening of the meeting.~~

~~Other conditions that must be met for agenda item discussions include the following:~~

- ~~1. Total presentation time shall be limited to 45 minutes. Individual presentations shall be limited to five minutes. A member of the Board shall be designated to serve as keeper of the time.~~
- ~~2. Attempts shall be made to hear opposite viewpoints.~~
- ~~3. Selection of individuals to speak shall be made on a first come, first served basis. Forms shall be provided prior to the beginning of the meeting.~~
- ~~4. No speaker shall be permitted to relinquish his or her time to another person.~~
- ~~5. Board members and/or the Superintendent may at their own choosing comment at the end of each speaker's presentation.~~

- ~~6. No unwarranted personal attack on any individual shall be permitted.~~
- ~~7. During the time the Board is in session, only those persons (other than Board members and/or staff members) recognized by the presiding officer shall be permitted to participate in the discussion. Any attempt by any person, other than Board members or staff, to discuss any motion pending before the Board is out of order unless, by formal action or common consent, the Board allows such participation.~~
- ~~8. The Board reserves the right to change or alter this procedure at any meeting when the majority of the Board deems it necessary.~~

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