

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN COMMENT AT MEETINGS 9340

The Board of Education encourages members of the public not only to attend Board meetings, but also to express their views as to matters affecting the School District. –A time for public comment will be provided on Rregular mMeeting agendas, but there may be times when, due to the press of other business before the Board, the Board may vote to suspend the public comment period for a particular meeting.

A School District resident who wishes to speak at a Rregular Board of Education business meeting; should callcontact the Clerk of the Board no later than 3:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting and indicate his/her intention to speak, with an identification of the topic which he/she wishes to address. –on a particular topic. These residents will be called upon during the first part of the scheduled public discussioncomment section on the agenda. Speakers are limited to five three minutes each, with remarks limited to the scope in the presentation–of their pre-announced topic.

Other residents attending regularly scheduled Board meetings who wish to address the Board will be invited to do so at the conclusion of the first part of the scheduled public discussioncomment section, and a show of hands will be requested to determine the number of persons interested in speaking. It will be the prerogative of the President of the Board of Education, based upon meeting time constraints and the number of persons wishing to speak, to set a time limit, not to exceed three minutes, for each speaker–to establish limitations on these non-scheduled presentations as time availability and numbers of residents wishing to speak dictate.

Each person who wishes to speak at a Board meeting shall be afforded no more than one opportunity to speak per Regular Mmeeting.

All–Eachresidents–person speaking shall:

- A. Give their–his/her name and address, and name of his/her organization if speaking for one–in a representative capacity;
- B. Address all remarks to the chairperson of the meeting;
- C. Know–Understand that issues related to specific personnel will not be discussed in public session;
- D. Have the right to speak without interruption unless the remarks violate the Board of Education rules for public participation in meetings–Refrain from personal attacks on individuals, it being the intention of the public comment period to obtain views on issues of concern rather than the airing of inter-personal disputes.;
- E. Not call for expressions of sentiment or support from others present;

F. ~~Not be recognized a second time until all others who wish to, have had an opportunity to speak first.~~Be prepared to offer supporting evidence for any factual assertions made in his/her remarks if requested to do so by a member of the Board of Education.:

G. Persons who believe that they have information bearing on possible improper conduct by any employee or officer of the School District are requested to bring such information, in writing, to the attention of the President of the Board of Education or the Superintendent of Schools.

Bylaw

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