

## **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS**

Citizens are welcome at board meetings and are cordially invited to participate at the time(s) specified in the agenda. The board president will determine rules and procedures that will provide a businesslike and efficient meeting.

Citizens wishing to participate in regular meetings may do so through one of the following:

1. Opportunity for citizens to speak will be included in the board agenda.
2. Application by citizens for items to be placed on the agenda shall be made through the office of the superintendent.
3. Citizens may be heard on any agenda item if a motion to hear the person is made by a board member and the motion is approved.

Any individual wishing to speak at school board meetings will be heard in accordance with established guidelines without interruption of any form and will afford others the same consideration and respect. If respectful communication cannot be maintained, the board president or designee will have the responsibility and authority to respond to the disturbance, including, but not limited to, postponing continuance of the meeting.

The intent of the above procedure is:

1. To allow a fair and adequate hearing on issues, yet seeing to it that it does not interfere with the fulfillment of the board's other tasks.
2. To call to the attention of the board when a policy may be proposed, revised or deleted.

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