

## **Board of Education**

### **Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board**

At each regular and special open meeting, members of the public and District employees may comment to or ask questions of the Board of Education, subject to reasonable constraints.

The individuals appearing before the Board are expected to follow these guidelines:

1. Address the Board only at the appropriate time as indicated on the agenda and when recognized by the Board President.
2. Identify him or herself and be brief.
3. Questions should be directed to the Board as a whole. If additional information is needed, the questions may be taken under advisement and answered later. Items requiring board discussion and/or action will be placed on the agenda of a future meeting.
4. The Board President may set a time limit for each speaker. The President may also deny the opportunity to speak to a person who has previously addressed the Board on the same subject.
5. Any Board Member may stop a speaker for clarification of statements.
6. No person addressing the Board shall make charges or level complaints against individual employees of the District. Such charges or complaints will only be accepted in writing and will only be considered if signed by the person. The Board will refer such charges to the Superintendent for investigation.
7. The Board President shall have the authority to determine procedural matters regarding public participation not otherwise defined in Board of Education policy.

Petitions or written correspondence to the Board shall be presented to the Board in the next regular Board packet.

LEGAL REF.: 5 ILCS 120/2.06.  
105 ILCS 5/10-6 and 5/10-16.

CROSS REF.: 2:220 (Board of Education Meeting Procedure), 8:10 (Connection with the Community), 8:30 (Visitors to and Conduct on School Property)

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