

School Board

Public Participation at School Board 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 School Board, subject to reasonable constraints.

The individuals appearing before the Board for public comment 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. Generally, thirty (30) minutes is allowed for public comment.
2. Identify oneself and be brief. Ordinarily, comments shall be limited to 3 minutes.
3. Observe the Board President's decision to shorten public comment to conserve time and give the maximum number of individuals an opportunity to speak.
4. Observe the Board President's decision to determine procedural matters regarding public participation not otherwise covered in Board policy.
5. Conduct oneself with respect and civility toward others, respect the confidentiality and safety of our students and school district personnel, keep comments age appropriate, and otherwise abide by Board policy, 8:30, *Conduct on School Property*.

There will be no feedback from Board members during the meeting, but follow-up will be provided by an administrator, as appropriate. Petitions or written correspondence to the Board shall be presented to the Board in the next regular Board packet.

Any individual or group that wishes to be placed on the Board meeting agenda should first contact the Board President or Superintendent at least a week before the meeting. Individuals and groups addressing the Board must be willing to limit the time required for their remarks as requested by the Board. The Board President or Superintendent reserve the right to determine whether to include an individual or group on the agenda.

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

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

ADOPTED: October 24, 2016