

REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

NOTICE

DUE TO THEIR SENSITIVE NATURE, COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS ABOUT PERSONNEL OR INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS WILL ONLY BE HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. ADDITIONALLY, OTHER TOPICS YOU WISH TO ADDRESS MAY ONLY BE APPROPRIATE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION. IN SUCH INSTANCES, THE BOARD WILL DETERMINE IF YOUR COMMENTS ARE APPROPRIATE FOR OPEN OR EXECUTIVE SESSION AND WILL NOTIFY YOU ACCORDINGLY.

“A PERSON WHO DISRUPTS THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS OR WHOSE PRESENCE IS DETRIMENTAL TO THE MORALS, HEALTH, SAFETY, ACADEMIC LEARNING OR DISCIPLINE OF THE PUPILS OR WHO LOITERS IN SCHOOLHOUSES OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS, IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR.”

Any complaint about the District, including instruction, discipline, District personnel policy, procedure or curriculum, should be referred through proper administrative channels before it is presented to the board for consideration and action. All complaints should be resolved through proper channels in the following order:

1. Teacher or Staff
2. Principal or Supervisor
3. Director or Administrator
4. Superintendent
5. Board of Trustees

If these channels have been exhausted, this form should be filled out and handed to the Board Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting to indicate you wish to provide public comment.

The Board of Trustees follows a written agenda, a copy of which is available to assist you in participating in the meeting.

You will have the floor for a maximum of **five minutes**.

The Board of Trustees encourages input from the public. If you want the Board to receive more information than time permits, please reduce your concerns to written form and send them to the Board Clerk. Written Comments must include your name, address and telephone number and relationship to the District.

All 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 Chair.
2. Identify oneself and be brief. Comments shall be limited to five minutes. In unusual circumstances, and when an individual has made a request in advance to provide public comment for a longer period of time, the individual may be allowed to speak for more than five minutes if additional time is approved by the Chair.
3. The Board Chair may shorten or lengthen an individual's opportunity to speak. The Chair may also deny an individual the opportunity if the individual has previously addressed the Board on the same subject within the past two months.
4. Speakers who are District students, parents/guardians of District students, District employees, and District residents will be given priority over speakers who are not members of any of these categories. Attendees who do not belong to any of these groups will only be allowed to speak after members of these groups have provided comment and only if there is still time available within the public comment period.
5. The Board Chair shall have the authority to determine procedural matters regarding public participation not otherwise defined in Board policy.
6. Patrons and community members who are unable to attend meetings in-person, are encouraged to submit public comments in writing. The Board Clerk will provide written comments to the Board during the period of public comment.
7. Presentations are to be civil and respectful. Public input shall not disrupt the public meeting. There shall be no intimidation against the Board, members of the Board, school employees, or students of the District. Shouting, loud statements, threats, name calling, profanity, or other improper conduct is strictly forbidden. Individuals engaging in inappropriate conduct will be asked to leave the meeting. Nothing in this policy shall prohibit the removal of any person who willfully disrupts a meeting to the extent that orderly conduct is, in the determination of the Board Chair, seriously compromised. Any person otherwise engaged in illegal conduct at the meeting may also be removed. Failure to leave may result in law enforcement intervention.

Request to Address the Board

Date: _____

Name: _____ (Please Print)

Relationship to District (Please check all that apply):

- Parent/Guardian of a District Student
- Employee of the District
- District Student
- Resident of the District
- Trustee Zone of Residence: _____
- Other: _____

Subject Matter Desiring to Address:

Check if any of the below identified subject matters are matters you wish to address in your presentation to the Board:

- _____ The hiring of a public school employee.
- _____ The qualifications of any individual employed/prospective employee.
- _____ The evaluation or performance of any individual employed by the District.
- _____ A complaint or concern about any individual employed by the District.
- _____ A complaint or concern about any student enrolled at the District.

****Please deliver a completed copy of this form to the Board's Clerk prior to the commencement of the Board Meeting.**

Policy History:

Adopted on: November 9, 2009

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