## **Public Participation at Board Meetings**

All meetings of the Board and Board-appointed committees are open to the public.

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted at each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda and are limited to five minutes to speak, as time permits. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board, present and voting.

Agendas are available to all those who attend Board meetings. The section on the agenda for public participation shall be indicated. Noted at the bottom of each agenda shall be a short paragraph outlining the Board's policy on public participation at Board meetings.

"In the event the Board's meeting is conducted electronically consistent with Section 12 of House Bill 197, the Board will announce at the start of each meeting whether or not public participation will be permitted for the meeting based upon whether such participation is practical given the electronic nature of the meeting"

Legal

ORC 121.22

ORC 3313.20

Cross References

BCE - Board Committees

BD - School Board Meetings

BDDB - Agenda Format

BDDC - Agenda Preparation and Dissemination

Adopted

September 17, 2012