

## **1.16 CITIZEN PARTICIPATION DURING SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS**

When an agenda item is being considered for action by the Board, district patrons will be allowed to speak to the Board for three (3) minutes per person with a maximum of thirty (30) minutes per action item. The maximum discussion time for an action item may be extended by a majority vote of the Board. The discussion presented by each patron must be specific to the agenda item under consideration.

District patrons may also address the Board on non-action agenda items during Citizen Participation. Citizen Participation will be designated as an agenda item during each regularly scheduled meeting of the Board. Each patron will be limited to five (5) minutes, and the Citizen Participation period will be limited to thirty (30) minutes.

District Patrons are encouraged to refer school district-related problems and/or questions to appropriate school personnel rather than initiate these discussions during Board meetings. If problems or questions have not been resolved through the administrative process, a speaker should indicate efforts made to bring such a resolution while addressing the Board.

The Board may choose to provide specific guidelines for patron participation and these guidelines will be posted as an administrative regulation on Form AR\_1.16.

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