Public Participation in Open Meetings

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

The public and the news media are permitted to attend all open meetings of the Board. No person may be required to identify himself in order to attend any such meeting.¹

EXCEPTION

The chairman may impose conditions upon attendance at a given meeting only if such conditions are required for the maintenance of order.¹

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Persons wishing to address the Board concerning issues on the agenda may do so by signing in when they enter the meeting. They shall be called on when that item is discussed.

Persons wishing to address the Board on an issue not on the agenda must request to be on the agenda for the next regular Board meeting. The request must be made by completing form 01.45 AP.2 and must be received (not postmarked) in the Board Office by 3:00 p.m., five (5) business days prior to the regular Board meeting. Every individual, even if addressing the same issue, must submit a request. The individual may be asked to address their issue with the Principal and possibly the Superintendent before being added to the Board Agenda.

Persons wishing to address the Board must first be recognized by the chairman. Individuals or groups shall contact the Superintendent in writing no less than ten (10) working days in advance of the next regular meeting in order to be placed on the agenda.

SPEAKERS

An individual or groups promoting the same position on an issue and granted the privilege of being heard at any regular or special meeting shall appoint a spokesperson. The spokespersons must identify themselves, state their positions with their organizations (if applicable) and state their reasons for speaking. The chairman may rule on the relevance of the topic to the Board's agenda. Except as permitted by Kentucky state law, school Board members are prohibited from discussing individual personnel actions. The chairman may also establish time limits for speakers as may be required to maintain order and to ensure the expedient conduct of the Board's business.

REFERENCE:

¹KRS 61.840

RELATED POLICIES:

01.45

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