

Washington Township Schools

Guidelines for Public Comment: Board of Education Meetings

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Welcome to this evening's meeting of the Washington Township Schools Board of Education. This portion of the meeting agenda affords community members to comment on items appearing on this evening's agenda. If you have a question on an agenda item, school district personnel may answer at that moment or will get back to you later with the information. Please note that in order to make a comment on an agenda item, you must first be recognized by the Board President. During this period of comment, the Board President will invite meeting attendees to form a line directly behind the microphone. Please state your name and address before making your comment. Thank you for your interest in your school district!

Note: Public participation shall be governed by the following rules per Board of Education Bylaw 0167:

1. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration;
2. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard;
3. All statements, questions, or inquiries shall be directed to the presiding officer who shall determine if such statement, question, or inquiry shall be addressed by the presiding officer on behalf of the Board or by the administration.
4. The Board President may interrupt, warn, and/or terminate a participant's statement, question, or inquiry when it is too lengthy or when the statement, question, or inquiry is abusive, obscene, or may be defamatory in nature.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Board has designated this portion of the meeting for members of the community to comment on any matter/subject relative to school operations. The length of this meeting segment is determined by the Board so as to best enable the Board to complete its business for the evening. If your comment is in the form of a question, school district personnel may answer at that moment or will get back to you later with the information. Please note that in order to make a comment you must first be recognized by the Board President. During this period of comment, the Board President will invite meeting attendees to form a line directly behind the microphone. Please state your name and address before making your comment. Thank you again for your interest in your school district!

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