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The Board recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of involving members of the public in its meetings. The Board will provide a period at each regular meeting during which members of the public may provide public comment on items before the Board. Further, the Board may schedule special hearings to receive additional public testimony, for topics of special public interest or as required by law.

Written and oral comment will be accepted on items before the Board. Individuals wishing to be heard by the Board shall comply with the rules as described by Board Procedure 1430BP.

The President may interrupt or terminate an individual's statement when it violates the rules for public testimony, is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene or irrelevant. The Board as a whole shall have the final decision in determining the appropriateness of all such rulings.

Individuals who may need an accommodation to participate in a regular or special Board meeting, including those with disabilities or those requiring language interpretation services, should contact the School Board's office as soon as possible, and no later than two days before a regular meeting, so that arrangements for the accommodation can be made. Reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate requests made less than 48 hours in advance of a meeting.

Adopted: June 2011
Revised: April 2015; October 2014; March 2012
Cross Reference: Policy No. 1400; 1430BP
Related Superintendent Procedure:
Previous Policies: E06.00; E06.01
Legal References: RCW 42.30.030 Meetings declared open and public; RCW 42.30.050 Interruptions—Procedures; 42 U.S.C. §§12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act
Management Resources: