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## SUBJECT: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

The Board recognizes its responsibility to hear and respond to public comment, and therefore encourages public participation at Board meetings. There will be a specific agenda item at each Board meeting to provide an opportunity to address the Board.

## **Guests of the Board**

Any organization, group or individual wishing to address the Board more formally than during visitor's comments must notify the Superintendent in writing no later than seven calendar days prior to the meeting. This request must contain a brief outline of the subject and purpose of the item(s). If the topic for discussion or presentation is appropriate for Board consideration, this person or group will then be allowed time on the next Board meeting agenda as "Guest of the Board." If, however, the matter can be more appropriately addressed by a school staff member (teacher, supervisor, the Superintendent, etc.) the individual or group will be so advised.

The President is responsible for the orderly conduct of the meeting and will rule on such matters as the time to be allowed for public discussion, the appropriateness of the subject being presented, and suitability of the time for such a presentation. The Board as a whole will have the final decision in determining the appropriateness of all such rulings.