Public Participation at Board Meetings   2345

In conformity with the Board policy of keeping the public fully informed on all activities of the District and also in keeping with the concerted effort of the Board to comply strictly with the provisions of the "Brown Act," the Board wishes to encourage the attendance of the public at Board meetings.

The Board shall provide opportunities for members of the general public to participate in the business of the Board.

Members of the public may bring matters directly related to the business of the District to the attention of the Board in one of two ways:

• There will be a time at each regularly scheduled board meeting for the general public to discuss items not on the agenda. Members of the public wishing to present such items shall submit a written request as described in board policy 2350 Speakers.

• Members of the public may place items on the prepared agenda in accordance with the provisions set forth in board policy 2340 Agendas.

Members of the public also may submit written communications to the Board on items on the agenda and/or speak to agenda items at the Board meeting. Written communication regarding items on the Board's agenda should reach the office of the Chancellor not later than the Friday prior to the meeting at which the matter concerned is to be before the Board. All such written communications shall be dated and signed by the author, and shall contain the residence or business address of the author and the author's organizational affiliation, if any.

If requested, writings that are public records shall be made available in appropriate alternative formats so as to be accessible to persons with a disability.

Claims for damages are not considered communications to the Board under this rule, but shall be submitted to the District.

See Board Policy 2340 Board Meeting Agendas
See Board Policy 2350 Speakers at Board Meetings
See Board Policy 2355 Decorum at Board Meetings

Education Code Section 72121.5
Government Code Sections 54954.3 and 54957.5

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