SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WAUZEKA-STEUBEN

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

Meetings of the School Board are conducted for the purpose of carrying on the business of the school district, and therefore, are not public meetings, but meetings held in public. All Board and Board committee meetings shall be open to the public except closed sessions. The Board members shall not act upon any item of business not included in the public notice of the meeting. However, the Board desires to hear the viewpoints of District residents.

Every Regular Board Meeting agenda shall allow up to a 15-minute period for public presentations, or as determined by the Board President based upon the number of individuals desiring to speak and the length of the agenda. Citizens are asked to register at the Board meetings with their name, address, and topic so such matters may become part of the public record. Citizens wishing to make comments at the Board meeting may speak for no more than three (3) minutes on their topic. The Board shall listen, but not respond to the presentation, nor shall the Board take action on the topic unless it is part of the agenda which has been properly noticed to the public.

If an individual's need to speak to the Board cannot be met in this manner, the individual will provide a written outline of the topic(s) to be presented prior to the Board meeting.

Written correspondence may be directed to the Board through the Board President or District Administrator. Anonymous correspondence will not be acknowledged.

The Board will not hear complaints against school personnel or complaints against any person connected with the school system. Such complaints should be made in accordance with established board policies and procedures.

The Board shall not act on or discuss any items from Public Comment. The Board shall limit itself to:

- 1. No immediate response.
- 2. Answering/asking basic questions for clarification only.
- 3. Placing the matter on a future agenda.
- 4. Referring the matter to administration or committee.

Legal References: Wisconsin State Statutes Sections §§ 19.83, 19.83(2), 19.84, 19.84(2)

Cross References: Policies 150 School Board Governance, 171 Regular Board Meetings, 171.2

Agenda Preparation, Format and Dissemination, 187 Exhibit – Attendance Register for Board Meetings, 187 Rule – Rules/Regulations During Public

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