Policy Type: Board Procedures

DASD Public Input Policy

The DASD Board of Education welcomes community participation and feedback. Citizens wishing to address the Board are requested to register upon arrival at a regular Board meeting by filling out a form. Board work sessions or special meetings will not contain a public input agenda item. Those wishing to address the board must be a District resident; and are requested to preface their comments by stating their name, address, and group affiliation, if applicable.

Public comments submitted electronically via email, or presented in person, are limited to a total of 3 minutes in length per individual. If there is a group who all wish to speak on the same topic, a single spokesperson should be selected. The Chairperson may interrupt or stop an individual's statement if it is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, repetitive, or irrelevant. Participants must direct all comments to the Board and not to staff or other participants. No person may address or question Board members individually.

Participants are encouraged to ensure that all the information they offer is truthful and honest. False statements or stigmatizing charges may subject the individual making such statements to legal repercussions, including, but not limited to, defamation claims.

The Board has adopted certain policies regarding District management and the roles the Board and its Administration play in managing the District. Therefore, participants may be referred to other District officials if it is apparent from the comments that the concern has not been brought to the attention of the appropriate District personnel or if District officials can provide assistance.

The Wisconsin Open Meetings Law requires that Board of Education members do not discuss topics, respond to questions, take action or otherwise engage in conversation related to items that are not listed on the Board's agenda. Members of the Board may ask questions for clarification purposes only.

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DeForest Area School District Board of Education