

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All Committees created by the MSAD #40 Board of Directors will be advisory to the Board of Directors. Board Committees will meet for work sessions from time to time to address issues and formulate recommendations to the Parent Board (Board of Directors).

Committee meetings are open to the public with the exception of the Board Negotiations Committee and executive sessions permitted by law. In order to conduct a Committee work session in an expedient, effective and productive manner, the Committee meeting will be generally restricted to Committee member discussion.

Due to the differing purposes, mandates and issues that are reviewed by Board Committees, a Chairperson of a Committee may use discretion to determine whether a Committee agenda item can be best resolved or brought to conclusion by permitting a brief visitor comment. All speakers will identify themselves. Whenever possible, specific concerns of visitors will be brought to the attention of the Committee Chairperson prior to the meeting. A Committee will take all comments by visitors under advisement. Committee members shall not be required to respond or take immediate action.

The Chairperson has the responsibility to interrupt or terminate a statement when it is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant.

Public shall be construed as residents of MSAD #40 or invited guests of the School Board.