

Special public hearing may be called in accordance with state law. An agenda shall be developed and public notice of the meeting shall be given in accordance with state law and established procedures. The following procedures shall be followed by the School Board whenever large delegations come before it requesting a hearing regarding a critical issue being decided by the Board.

1. After the meeting has been officially opened, the President of the Board shall briefly state the position of the Board and give reasons therefore. If official action on the issue has not as yet been taken, the President may so state and may summarize briefly the arguments for and against the issue to be decided. Other members of the Board may also be heard at this time.
2. Speakers may comment on the issue. The Secretary of that meeting shall secure the names of all those persons wishing to be heard before the Board. Those desiring to speak shall indicate their feelings on the issue involved. Persons not responding to the Secretary's request shall not be heard.
3. The President may set a reasonable time limit for each speaker.
4. After the speakers for or against the issue have been heard, the President shall indicate that questions pertaining directly to the issue involved may be directed to the Board.
5. Upon a ruling by the President closing the public discussion the Board may proceed with its deliberations and take whatever action it deems advisable.

LEGAL REF: Wisconsin Statutes Section 120.08, Section 120.11

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