

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public notice of a public hearing shall be in the same manner as for a board meeting and shall be given at least two days before the hearing is to be held.

At public hearings, citizens of the district will be allowed to speak only on the issue for which the public hearing is being held. Citizens wanting to speak at the meeting may be asked to sign-in, stating their name and address. The sign-in sheet shall be kept with the board minutes. Speakers are asked to keep their remarks as brief as possible. Prior to the beginning of the hearing, speakers and spectators will be apprised of the rules of order to be followed regarding time limitations, questions, remarks and rebuttals. In no event will a speaker be allowed to take the time of another speaker.

The board shall conduct public hearings in an orderly fashion. At the beginning of the hearing statements, background materials and public hearing rules and procedures will be presented by the board president or administrators. The board president will recognize the speakers. A board member may ask questions of the speakers after receiving permission from the board president. Only those speakers recognized by the chair will be allowed to speak. Comments by others are out of order. Individuals who interfere with or interrupt speakers, the board or the proceedings shall be asked to leave.

Legal Reference:                   Neb. Statute 84-1408 et seq.

Cross Reference:                204.01 Regular Board Meetings  
                                      204.12 Public Participation at Board Meetings  
                                      702.03 Budget Adoption Process  
                                      1005.03 Parental Involvement in the Schools

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