

Board Policy Document

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**Sioux City Community School District
Sioux City, Iowa
Meetings and Work Sessions of the Board of Directors
A Welcome and Orientation**

1. Your attendance at this meeting is welcomed.
2. Cell phones should be turned off during public Board meetings, and hats are to be removed.
3. All meetings of the Board of Directors are open to the public, except as provided by Iowa law. No action will be taken in executive session.
4. Every resident should have an opportunity to speak. Therefore, please limit your remarks to **three minutes on any one item**. If speaking on behalf of a group, please limit your remarks to **five minutes**.
5. If you plan to speak to the board, please familiarize yourself with the pertinent information in the agenda.
6. You may address the board during “Citizen Input” only on an item not covered in the Agenda. You may participate in a discussion of agenda items only at the time each agenda item is considered.
7. If you desire to address the board about a question or concern not on the agenda, you may first want to discuss the matter with the superintendent or other staff member (who may help provide background information or on how to effectively resolve issues before requiring the board’s attention).
8. Please identify yourself by name and address, speaking clearly to the board. Use the podium and microphone.
9. Public participation is a right that carries certain responsibilities, such as informing oneself in advance of the issue(s) being discussed, voluntarily being as brief and germane as possible, not unduly repeating remarks others or you have already made, and showing respect at all times for the rights and opinions of others (whether citizens, board members, or district employees).

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Meeting of the Board of Directors**

Meetings of the Board of Education are open to the public except as may be provided by Iowa law. Typically, the board schedules two meetings monthly to transact its scheduled business, held on the second and fourth Mondays at 6:00 p.m. Special meetings and/or special hearings are called if needed and when proper legal notice can be provided.

Guidelines to provide for and assist public comment are printed on the reverse side.

Name

Address

Representing **(If party represented is not a legal entity, list names and addresses of those represented)**

Do you wish to address the board? _____

On what subject do you wish to speak?

Does the matter pertain to an agenda item being considered at this meeting?

If so, has your concern been presented to the superintendent previously?

Thank you. We appreciate your interest in public affairs and in our district.

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