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**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019
7:00 P.M.
BOARD OF EDUCATION ROOM
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER**

**BIRDELLA HOLDREAD, PRESIDENT
MICHAEL GORDON, VICE PRESIDENT
BECKY ANSON, SECRETARY
KEVIN GOGGINS, TREASURER**

**TAMMY NIEMIER, TRUSTEE
TONY OVERMYER, TRUSTEE
EDWARD PATZER, TRUSTEE
JAMES KNOLL, SUPERINTENDENT**

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 3. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**
- 4. CLOSED SESSION FOR ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE**
- 5. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING**
- 6. ADJOURNMENT**

SCHOOL BOARD POLICY FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A. Public participation shall be permitted at a time as determined by the presiding officer.
- B. Anyone with concerns related to the operation of the schools or to matters within the authority of the Board may participate during the public portion of a meeting.
- C. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address or group affiliation, if and when appropriate.
- D. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes duration.
- E. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
- F. Participants shall direct all comments to the Board and not to staff or other participants.
- G. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.
- H. The presiding officer may:
 - 1. Prohibit public comments which are frivolous, repetitive, or harassing;
 - 2. Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant;
 - 3. request any individual to leave the meeting when that person behaves in a manner that is disruptive of the orderly conduct of the meeting;;
 - 4. request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
 - 5. call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action;
 - 6. waive these rules with the approval of the Board when necessary for the protection of privacy or the administration of the Board's business.
- I. The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to thirty minutes, however, this may be extended at the discretion of the presiding officer.

Tape or video recordings are permitted subject to the following conditions:

 - A. No obstructions are created between the Board and the audience.
 - B. No interviews are conducted in the meeting room while the Board is in session.
 - C. No commentary, adjustment of equipment, or positioning of operators is made that would distract either the Board or members of the audience while the Board is in session.

The person operating the recorder should contact the Superintendent prior to the Board meeting to review possible placement of the equipment.

M.C.L.A. 15.263 (4) (5) (6), 380.1808

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