

### **BOARD RULE NO. 3**

Adopted Dec. 17, 1984

Subject:

Public Participation at Regular Meetings

Purpose:

Invites members of the public sector to attend Board meetings and make oral or written statements using the guidelines set forth in

this Board Rule.



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# A. Public Participation

Interested members of the general public may provide written or make oral statements to the Board at all meetings, subject to the following procedures.

# B. Advance Sign-up

Prior to the taking up of an Agenda item or subject, members of the public wishing to make oral statements concerning an Agenda item or subject, shall indicate their desire to do so by signing the official sign-in sheets. In the case of general public comment at the end of a meeting, sign-up must be effected prior to that period.

### C. Time Limits

Oral statements may be made on any action item or subject on the Agenda prior to the taking of any action by the Board on the item or subject. Such statements shall be limited to five minutes unless extended by the Chairman. A general public comment period will be permitted at the end of a general meeting. Oral statements at the general public comment period shall be limited to five minutes.

### D. Written Statements

Written statements may be provided at any time prior to Board action on any matter.

#### E. Minutes

The Minutes of each Board meeting shall include the names of persons providing oral statements and, if appropriate, indicate whether the statement favored or opposed any proposed action or policy. The Minutes also shall include a copy of each written statement presented but such statements need not be reproduced for routine distribution of Board meeting minutes.