Stephenson Area Public Schools
Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda
September 12, 2022
6:00 pm

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Reading of Mission Statement

Stephenson Area Public Schools provides a safe environment to educate, challenge, and inspire all students to be life-long responsible learners.

4. Public Participation

Purpose of Meeting: This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda." Guests and Public Comment on Action Items Only Guidelines printed on the side of the agenda.

5. Presentations
   A. 2021-2022 State/Local Data

6. Discussion Items

   A. Uplift Alternative Education High School
   B. K-8 Benchmark Goals
   C. Strategic Planning Committee
   D. School Safety Update
   E. SEL Dog
   F. Superintendent' Evaluation Timeline
   G. Athletic Projects

7. Guest and Public Comment

8. Adjourn

Next Regular Board Meeting - Wednesday, September 26 22, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
Next Committe of the Whole Meeting - October 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Public Participation at Board Meetings 0167.3

The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on District matters. Any person or group wishing to be on the agenda shall register their intent with the Superintendent no later than seven (7) business days and include:

A. **name and address of the participant;**
B. **group affiliation, if and when appropriate;**
C. **topic to be addressed.**

Such requests shall be subject to the approval of the Superintendent and the Board President.
Denial of the opportunity to have an item placed on the agenda will not preclude an individual or group from the opportunity to speak during the public participation portion of the meeting.
To permit fair and orderly public expression, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at public meetings of the Board at which the Board should take action and publish rules to govern such participation in Board meetings and in Board committee meetings.
The presiding officer of each Board meeting at which public participation is permitted shall administer the rules of the Board for its conduct.
The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

A. **Public participation shall be permitted only as indicated on the order of business of this Board.**
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 and group affiliation, if and when appropriate.**
D. **Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to five (5) 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.**

The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes.
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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