public input. Instead, issues may be recorded and referred to the proper staff person for following up and/or considered by the Board in addressing the pending agenda items through open discussion or voting. The Chair may interrupt or terminate an individual's statement when it is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, repetitive, irrelevant, threatening to any individual or if they are going off-topic from an item listed on the agenda during a public comment period reserved for agenda items. The Board as a whole shall have the final decision in determining the appropriateness of all such rulings.

Nothing in this policy shall prohibit the removal of any person who in the judgement of the Board Chair, willfully disrupts a meeting to the extent that orderly conduct is seriously compromised. Defamatory or abusive remarks are always out of order, and any person may be removed from the meeting if they are engaging in illegal conduct. The presiding officer may terminate the speaker's privilege of address if, after being called to order, the speaker persists in improper conduct or remarks.

If a special meeting has been held to obtain public comment on a specific issue, the Chair of the Board may choose not to recognize speakers wishing to comment on the same topic at a regular meeting of the Board.

Cross Reference: 1500 Board Meetings

2425 Parental Rights4110 Public Complaints

4120 Uniform Grievance Policy

4320 Disruption of School Operations

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-510 Annual Meetings – Regular Meetings – Board of

Trustees

I.C. § 33-512 (11) Governance of Schools – District Permitted to

Prohibit Entry to School Grounds

I.C. § 74-206 Open Meetings Law - Executive Sessions - When

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