

ARACAIDA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD

PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN BOARD MEETINGS

Under the section, “Comments from the Audience,” members of the audience may speak to items listed on the agenda or to any other concern. A total time of 15 minutes is allotted to these comments, with any individual speaker limited to 5 minutes. The Governing Board may only discuss pre-announced agenda items. It may not enter into a discussion on items not on the agenda, but the Board may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed by the public about items not on the agenda. If the Board determines that a matter merits further discussion, it may place the topic on a future agenda.

Time also is allowed for comments by individuals or group representatives at the time the item appears on the agenda and prior to discussion by the Board. If you wish to speak to an agenda item, please fill out a “Request to Speak” card (indicating your name, address, and the name of the group represented, if any) and hand it to the Board Secretary. The time allotted to the discussion of any single item is the prerogative of the Board President. (BB9323)

Complaints against employees will normally be heard in closed session, and the District’s complaint procedure should be followed before discussion with the Board.

Factual questions will be answered directly, if possible. If a question must be researched, the speaker will be contacted at a later time.