## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## Series 200

## POLICY TITLE PUBLIC HEARINGS

No. 214

Public hearings may be held on school district matters at the discretion of the board and required by the law. Notice of a public hearing will be given in the same manner as for a board meeting and/or as required by law.

At public hearings, citizens of the district who register at the door will be allowed to speak on the issue for which the public hearing is being held. Others may be allowed to speak at the board's discretion. Speakers are asked to keep their remarks as brief as possible. Prior to the beginning of the hearing, speakers and spectators will be apprised of the rules of order to be followed regarding time limitations, questions, remarks and rebuttals. In no event will a speaker be allowed to take the time of another speaker.

The board will conduct public hearings in an orderly fashion. At the beginning of the hearing, statements, background materials and public hearing rules and procedures will be presented by the board president. The board president will recognize the speakers. A board member may ask questions of the speakers after receiving permission from the board president. Only those speakers recognized by the chair will be allowed to speak. Comments by others are out of order. Individuals who interfere with or interrupt speakers, the board or the proceedings will be asked to leave.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ Ch. 21; 26.12; Ch. 24; 279.8, .10; 297.22.

Cross Reference:

- 210 Board of Directors' Meetings
- 213. Public Participation in Board Meetings
- 601.1 School Calendar
- 703.1 Budget Planning

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