

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 53 (Okanagan Similkameen)
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS - BYLAW NO. 26

Adopted: Dec 11, 2013

The Board desires to hear the viewpoints of partners and community members. Therefore, at regular meetings of the Board, a Public Forum, generally not to exceed thirty minutes, shall be scheduled for public participation. A time limit for individual speakers may be set at the discretion of the chair.

Any person wishing to address the Board on a particular agenda item shall fill his/her name and the agenda item concerned on the form provided and present it to the Secretary Treasurer before the meeting begins so that times can be scheduled for speakers.

Undue interruption or other interference with the orderly conduct of Board meetings will not be tolerated. The chairperson may terminate the speaker's privilege if, after being called to order, he/she persists in improper conduct or remarks.

Other than answering simple questions of fact, the Board will not normally act upon any concern or request brought forward at the same meeting. Questions may be referred to the district staff for further investigation and report, or the Board may place the matter on the agenda of a subsequent meeting for discussion and action.

At the end of the Regular meeting agenda, a question period of approximately 15 minutes shall be held. Comments and questions may deal with any topic related to the Board's conduct of the schools.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Education enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited as "School District No. 53 (Okanagan Similkameen) Public Participation at Board Meetings, Bylaw No. 26".

Read a first time the 27th day of November, 2013

Read a second time the 27th day of November, 2013

Read a third time, passed and adopted the 11th day of December, 2013

Chairperson of the Board

(Corporate Seal)

Secretary-Treasurer