

GUIDELINES

for

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

at

Raymore-Peculiar School District

Board of Education Meetings

Raymore-Peculiar R-II Mission Statement

Preparing EACH student for a successful
and meaningful life

Raymore-Peculiar R-II Focus Areas:

Success Ready Students

High Quality Staff

Financial Responsibility



The Raymore-Peculiar R-II School District Board of Education holds its regular monthly meeting on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at the Raymore-Peculiar Administrative Services Center, 21005 S. School Road in Peculiar.

Several avenues for the exchange of information, ideas and opinions are authorized by the Raymore-Peculiar Board of Education. These are designed to provide for full and open communication between the public and the Board.

The Board members make efforts to identify community opinions and to be responsive to community concerns. With the exception of closed sessions, which are legally conducted within the parameters of the "Missouri Open Meetings Act", all regular meetings, special meetings and workshops of the Board of Education shall be open to the public.

All Board of Education meetings will be presided over by the Board president with the primary purpose of conducting the business of the Board in a responsible and expeditious manner. The president has the authority to regulate and limit public participation.

Board of Education members

Members of the Board of Education are listed on the Raymore-Peculiar District web page at www.raypec.k12mo.us, select "Board of Education".

Information regarding upcoming meetings and previous Board of Education meetings can be found on the District web page under "*BoardDocs*".

Additional information about the Board of Education is also available by calling 816-892-1311.

Public Participation guidelines

The following avenues of public participation operate within the framework of the Board of Education's scheduled meetings.

Communication in writing

Written correspondence may be directed to the Board, through the superintendent, for consideration at meetings. Statements of two pages or less are encouraged.

Public Comment

The agenda for each regular meeting of the Board includes time for "Comments from the Public", scheduled just before information items. Anyone wanting to address the Board must sign up at the meeting on the meeting sign-up sheet. A time limit will be established for all speakers who have signed up. Speakers will not be permitted to participate in gossip, make defamatory comments, and use abusive or vulgar language. Agendas for the regular Board of Education meetings are available two days before the meeting date. For more information, feel free to call the Office of the Superintendent at 816-892-1311.

Placing an item on the agenda

Patrons may request to have an item considered for placement on the agenda by submitting a request in writing to the Secretary of the Board. To be considered, the request must be received five business days before the scheduled meeting. For more information, feel free to call the Secretary of the Board at 816-892-1311.

Public Hearings

The Board of Education may also schedule public hearings on matters of concern of the community.