

Gladstone School District 115

Code: BDDH-AR

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Public Comment at Board Meetings

The Board requests that a public comment add information or a perspective that has not already been mentioned previously, and that the patron refrains from repeating a similar point.

1. Anyone wishing to address the Board on any item may do so during the public comment section of the agenda. The Board reserves the right to delay discussion of any item presented to later in the meeting or at a subsequent meeting. So the Board can give thoughtful response, questions to the Board need to be submitted in writing.
2. Members of the public who intend to offer public comment to the Board may sign up and submit public comments via the [public comment google form](#) on the district website by 1:00 pm on the date of the meeting.
3. Members of the public will attending virtually to be called upon during the meeting to read their written statement for up to three minutes. Speakers need to show their first and last name on their virtual profile to be called to read their statement.
4. Prior to beginning any testimony, Individuals must state their first and last name, and their city and state. If speaking for an organization, the name of the organization. A spokesperson should be designated to represent a group with a common purpose
5. Statements by members of the public should be concise. Public comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Longer submissions may be summarized. The Board chair will be the timer. The Board will attempt to call speakers in the order their comments were received. Testimony will be prioritized in the following order: GSD students, parents of current students, community members and others if time permits.
6. All members of the public attending School Board meetings must treat each other and the Board with respect.
7. The Board/Committee reserves the right to delay discussion of any item. The Board may move the item to later in the meeting or at a subsequent meeting.
8. Discussion or presentation concerning a published agenda item is limited to its designated place on the agenda.
9. At the discretion of the Chair, comments that are similar to each other in nature may be referred to in the number received and summarized.
10. Speakers may offer objective criticism of school operations and programs but the Board/Committee will not hear complaints concerning specific school personnel or students. Comments of this nature will not be heard. Personal attacks on any District employee, Board member, other testifier, or member of the public will not be allowed
11. The Chair will direct the visitor to the appropriate means for Board/Committee consideration and disposition of legitimate complaints involving individuals.

12. These procedures will be published on the back of every public meeting agenda.

Anyone needing assistance with submitting public comment, may call the board secretary at 503.496.3935.

INTENT TO SPEAK

The Board welcomes input. To provide in-person public comment please submit this completed card to the Board secretary prior the start of the meeting.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name of organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Email (optional): _____

Topic or comment to be presented (brief description): _____

A complaint brought before the Board shall be referred to the proper school authorities. A complaint shall be processed in accordance with Board policy KL - Public Complaints and KL-AR - Public Complaints Procedure. A hearing conducted by the Board regarding personnel may take place in an executive session.

The Board requests that a topic or comment is limited to three minutes or less.