



Book	Siskiyou Joint Community College District Administrative Procedures
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The open forum is designed to provide those who wish to speak on a specific topic directly related to Community Colleges to formally address the Board of Trustees. The opportunity to comment on agendas of public meetings is governed by the State of California Brown Act. By definition, this is an opportunity for the Board to learn the concerns and views of the public. The Board is not able, under the Brown Act, to engage in any level of conversation or discussion on the comments. The Board may direct staff to follow up on the item with the speaker or may direct that the item be placed on the agenda of a future meeting for discussion. Pursuant to Board Policy 2350, three minutes will be allotted to each speaker and twenty minutes to each subject matter. Non-English speakers are entitled to at least twice the time which is normally allotted to a member of the public who wishes to publicly comment when a translator is used.

Members of the public wishing to address the Board are invited to follow the procedures outlined in the meeting's agenda.

Videoconferenced meetings:

Persons who wish to comment on topics either on the agenda or not on the agenda but fall underneath the Board's jurisdiction are invited to indicate their desire to speak by unmuting and introducing themselves, or indicating their wish in the chat feature, if available, and wait to be called upon by the Board President. At the conclusion of each public comment, the speaker will return to mute status.

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Education Code 72121.5

Government Code Section 54950 (Brown Act)

Government Code Section 54954.2