

<b>BOARD POLICIES</b>	<b>METRO TECHNOLOGY CENTERS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS (BP-2015)</b>	<b>The on-line version of the policy is official. Therefore, all printed versions are unofficial copies.</b>
-----------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

**1.0 POLICY:**

Citizens of the District, including delegations or individuals, have the express right and are encouraged to attend meetings of the Board and to listen to and observe its deliberations. In the interest of orderly conduct of board meetings, spontaneous discussion from the floor shall not be allowed. Individuals or organizations desiring to be heard by the Board on agenda items shall make their request to the minute clerk of the Board and may speak to the Board when the board considers the item. Individuals or organizations desiring to be heard by the Board on issues not on the agenda shall make their requests to the minute clerk of the Board at any time up to the beginning of the "Public Expressions" portion of the meeting, when they will be heard.

A maximum of three (3) minutes per speaker is allowed each scheduled request to speak to the Board. Only one (1) person may waive time to another scheduled speaker. The person waiving time must be present during the "Public Expressions" portion of the meeting. If a person is not present when his/her name is called, his/her name will be eliminated, and the person will not be eligible to address the Board at that meeting.

A person cannot speak before the Board when he/she is a candidate for any public office.

A person must conform to one of the following areas to be heard at a Board meeting:

- A. Be a resident of the District.
- B. Be an employee of the District.
- C. Be the designated counsel/spokesperson representing an employee of the District.
- D. Be a designated spokesperson for a recognized District affiliated group or organization, and must submit and/or have on file with the Board's clerk the name and title of its spokesperson.
- E. Be an individual or designated representative of a firm doing business or requesting to do business with the District.
- F. Be invited to speak at invitation of the Board.

**2.0 LEGAL REFERENCE:** 70 O.S. § 5-117.A.2

**3.0 CROSS REFERENCE:** BP-8003

**4.0 REVISION HISTORY:**

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Description of Revision:</u>
October 8, 1984	A	Adopted
September 22, 2003	B	Reformatted
December 15, 2003	C	Legal references reviewed and revised as necessary
November 22, 2004	D	Revised

**5.0 PCF FRAMEWORK #:** 11.3.1 Plan and conduct regular and special board meetings in accordance with state laws

**\*\*\* End of Policy \*\*\***