

Post Rock District

PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

Public Comment Policy Pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, the public has a right to attend and observe the meetings of the Post Rock District Board which includes the Executive Board, Program Development Committees (PDC) and committees other than those dealing with personnel. However, citizens may speak and participate in meetings only to the extent allowed by the following policies.

- 1. The general public will be allowed to address the District Board during the "Public Comment" section of the agenda. Persons must sign up by contacting the District Director prior to the meeting time in order to be given time to speak. Public comments shall be respectful and made in a manner not to incite ill feelings or a disruption of the meeting.
- 2. The time allowed should be determined by the number wanting to speak. It is suggested to allow five (5) minutes per person and not more than a total of thirty (30) minutes for the public comment period. Persons may not defer their time to another person.
- 3. No person, other than members of the District Board, Local Unit Employees, or those individuals asked questions will be permitted to enter into any discussion, and they must be recognized by the Board Chair.
- 4. If the speaker asks for District Board action, the Board Chair may place the item on the agenda of a business meeting or it may be sent to the appropriate Board committee or PDC. The PDC can place it on the Board agenda when they are ready to make a recommendation, by communicating with the District Director.
- 5. Instead of asking a Board Member to present their issue, interested parties should be encouraged to present items in writing, given to the District Director in advance of the meeting, or directly to the District Board during public comment.

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