



Monument Academy

Board of Directors Governance and Policy

Policy Area: Governance	Policy #: 1520
Title: Public Comment to the Board	Adopted: March 15, 2012 Reviewed: March 8, 2018 Revised:

I. Issue Statement

- A. At Monument Academy we value and honor the opinions of our parents and the general public. We desire to promote and to keep open and honest communication between the board and the parents and the general public without circumventing the proper channels of communication between the Executive Director, Principal and the teachers.
- B. Good communication in the school is critical to the success of the school. In order to accomplish this objective it is our policy to allow parents and members of the general public to provide comments during meetings of the Board of Directors.

II. Policy Statement

- A. In order to insure a fair opportunity for public comment and to allow the Board to maintain control of its meetings, a public comment period will be provided at all public meetings of the Board of Directors of Monument Academy as follows:
 - B. Any parent or citizen of the District may address the Board only during the time specified for Public Comment, unless otherwise allowed by motion and approval of a majority of the Directors. A sign-up sheet which captures the speaker's name, e-mail address and telephone number should be used to identify those individuals interested in providing comment to the Board.
 - C. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes unless otherwise authorized by the Board in advance of the designated Public Comment period.
 - D. The official body authorized by law to act on behalf of Monument Academy is the Board of Directors and not individual directors, administrative staff or employees. Accordingly,
 - a. Speakers will address comments to the Board and not to individual members, administrators or staff;
 - b. Directors will listen to Public Comment and consider them during their deliberations as a Board;
 - c. Directors may choose to answer questions or engage in dialogue during the Public Comment period, if appropriate and timely;

- d. Speakers may be directed to staff or other sources for responses to questions raised during the Public Comment period.
- E. The Board of Director's Recording Secretary will be responsible for noting of public comments/questions for the record. The notes may be summary in nature and are not required to be an exact transcription of the comments/questions.
- F. Public Comment or concerns that require more deliberation, research or study may be considered for addition as an agenda item at meetings subsequent to the meeting in which they arise.

III. Related Documents

- A. Colorado Revised Statutes ("C.R.S.") 24-6-402

IV. Points of Contact

- A. The following positions shall serve as points of contact for the enforcement of this policy:
President of the Board of Directors and the Executive Director.