

2
3 **THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

1441

4
5 Audience Participation

6
7 The Board recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of
8 involving members of the public in its meetings. The Board also recognizes the statutory and
9 constitutional rights of the public to participate in governmental operations. To allow fair and
10 orderly expression of public comments, the Board will permit public participation through oral or
11 written comments during the “public comment” section of the Board agenda and prior to a final
12 decision on a matter of significant interest to the public. The Chairperson may control such
13 comment to ensure an orderly progression of the meeting in the manner described in Policy
14 1420F.

15
16 Cross Reference: 1420 School Board Meeting Procedure

17
18 Legal Reference: Article II, Section 8, Montana Constitution – Right of participation
19 Article II, Section 10, Montana Constitution – Right of privacy
20 Chapter 2, Part 1, MCA Notice and Opportunity to Be Heard
21

22
23 Policy History:

24 Adopted on:

25 Reviewed on:

26 Revised on: 12/19/19