

Kimberly School District #414
REGULAR BOARD MEETING FY26

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2026

AGENDA #12B6 - 1ST READING REVISE POLICY 1441 AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Revision of Board Policy – Public Comment and Hearing of Visitors Procedures

The Board will review and consider proposed revisions to the public comment procedures during Board meetings, including the structure and expectations for the Hearing of Visitors and agenda item of comment periods. The updated language clarifies that individuals may provide general public comment at the beginning of the meeting, limited to three (3) minutes per speaker and excluding personnel and student-specific matters. The revision also establishes a separate process for individuals wishing to speak on specific agenda items, requiring sign-up prior to the meeting and recognition by the Board Chair, with comments limited to three (3) minutes and focused on the agenda item under consideration.

The proposed revisions further clarify the Board Chair’s authority to manage public comment to ensure orderly meetings, as well as reinforce that Board members will not respond during public comment but may refer issues for administrative follow-up or future Board consideration. The policy continues to emphasize respectful participation, efficient meeting management, and the distinction between meetings held in public and public meetings.