

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Board meetings are for the conducting of library business and as required by the Open Meetings Law are open for observation by the public. They are not public hearings about library affairs.

Under the Open Meetings Law provision for public participation is not required, though the Board sets aside a period for public expression in the agenda.

In the interests of time and the effective conduct of business, individual public comment may be limited so that all members of the public attending a board meeting will have an equal opportunity speak. Under no circumstances shall an individual's opportunity for public expression exceed five minutes in length, unless by prior arrangement.

Board members are not required to respond to questions or statements made during the public expression portion of the meeting.

If the Board of Trustees is unable to meet in person due to a health emergency/infectious disease outbreak, and/or under direct edict of a state or county executive order, the Board will comply with such directives and meet virtually. This may preclude public comment from occurring during the virtual meeting. In such cases, the library may solicit comments/inquiries to the Board of Trustees for their consideration prior to the start of, or subsequent to the meeting, using the following email: boardoftrustees@communitylibrary.org

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