

## *BOARD OF GOVERNORS*

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### A-25    POLICY    Board Meetings – Public Comment

The primary function of the regular meetings of the Southeast Community College Board of Governors is to conduct the business of Southeast Community College, as distinguished from providing an open citizens' forum. The Board believes public attendance and participation is beneficial to the work of the Board, but attendance and participation must not impede the Board from completing the business of its meetings. In keeping with this belief, the Board encourages and provides an opportunity for public comment through the Public Comment agenda item at some, but not necessarily all, of its regularly held or special Board meetings, public hearings on important issues facing the College, and through many different forms of community engagement.

The Board also recognizes and will respect the rights of the public to videotape, televise, photograph, broadcast, or record meetings of the Board of Governors. The Board will take reasonable steps to facilitate public attendance at its meetings and will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the public's right to see and hear at meetings of the Board of Governors.

The opportunities for participation by individuals made available by the Board will be in accordance with applicable laws. The Board Chair is responsible for conducting the Public Comment agenda item during the meeting.

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