I Preliminary Activites/Motions
   1. Call To Order
   2. Pledge of Allegiance
   3. OATH OF OFFICE
   4. Roll Call
   5. Public Comment Regarding Items on the Agenda
   6. Approval of Agenda
   7. Presentations/Recognitions:

Consent Agenda
   1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

III Reports, Presentations and Discussion Items

Business/Action Items
   1. Organizational Meeting Process (begin with election of officers)

V Community Comments * See below

VI Closing
   1. Closing Comments by Board or Superintendent
   2. Adjournment

No qualified individual with a disability shall be denied access to any program, or public meeting sponsored by the NICE Community Schools because of his/her disability. If special arrangements are necessary for you to access the above-mentioned meeting, please contact the Superintendent's office (906) 485-1021.

Members of the public wishing to make comments should identify themselves and are asked to keep comments between 3-5 minutes. Members of the public wishing to voice complaints about individuals should go through proper channels established under Board policy before requesting Board consideration.
Public Participation

At each meeting of the Board, the President or the presiding Board officer shall welcome all visitors to the Board meeting.

The Board President shall ask, at the appropriate time as specified on the agenda, those members of the public attending the Board meeting if any of them have something to bring to the attention of the Board. All those wishing to address the Board shall be subject to the following procedural regulations:

A. Those who wish to address the board must sign up either by:

1) Arranging an appointment to speak by calling, writing, or emailing the central office by 4:00 pm the day preceding the meeting; or

2) Filling out a Public Commentary Card at the meeting and delivering it to the Board’s Recording Secretary prior to the President announcing the “Public Commentary” period as he/she proceeds through the meeting agenda.

B. The public participation portion of the meeting shall be limited to one-half hour normally. An exception will be made so that no one’s right to address the Board will be denied.

C. Each person shall be allowed to speak for up to five minutes, except where the number of speakers exceeds the time limit. In those instances, either the Board President may reduce the five-minute limit to a three-minute limit for each speaker or the President will waive the one-half hour time limit and establish a longer period.

D. Each person wishing to address the Board may be asked to identify himself/herself by name and address. If the person is representing an organization or group, the person should indicate whether the comments or presentation represents the official view of the organization or group or are his/her own comments.

E. If a delegation is present to address the Board, the delegation may be asked to select up to five representatives to speak on its behalf, for a total of not more than 15 minutes. This request, however, does not mean that any person wishing to address the Board will be denied that opportunity.

F. Any written statements should be given to the Board Secretary so that copies may be made available to all Board members. All written statements and documents presented to the Board by an individual or group during the meeting are considered public documents.

G. Individuals addressing the Board should take into consideration the rules of common courtesy. The public participation portion of the meeting cannot be used to make personal attacks against a Board member, District employee, or student that are totally unrelated to the administration of the District. If the comments constitute a complaint against a Board member or employee, the Board member or employee has a right to request a closed session of the Board.

H. Board members may question speakers, but are not obligated to answer questions or make statements or commitments in response to issues raised by the public. In general, such issues will be referred to the Superintendent for investigation, study, and recommendation or designated as future agenda items for Board consideration.

Handling of Complaints (Cf. 9450)

Speakers are encouraged to present complaints about a specific employee, Board member, or student through proper channels established under Board policy before requesting Board consideration.

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LEGAL REF: MCL 15.263(1); 15.268; 380.11a; 380.1808; Lysogorski v Bridgeport Charter Twp., 662 N.W. 2d 108 (2003)