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9	Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) at any regular meeting and at public hearings. Persons			
10	wishing to address the Board at regular meetings or public hearings are requested to contact the			
11 12	Clerk of the Board for placement on the agenda in accordance with Regulation BDDH-R/KD-R. The Board does not take public comments at work sessions, retreats, closed meetings, or			
13	subcommittee meetings.			
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15	The Board C	hair is responsible for	the orderly conduct of the meeting and rules on such matters	
16	as the appropriateness of the subject being presented and length of time for such presentation.			
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18	Up to one hour will be allocated at each regular meeting for community members to present matters			
19 20	of public con	cern related to the oper	ration of the school division.	
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30	Legal Refs.:	Code of Virginia, 19	50, as amended, §§ 22.1-78, 22.1-253.13:7.	
31		2016 Op. Va. Att'y Gen. 15-020.		
32			<i>ley Unified Sch. District</i> , 936 F. Supp. 719 (C.D. Cal. 1996).	
33	Leventhal v. Vista Unified School District, 973 F. Supp. 951 (S.D. Cal. 1997).			
34			d of the City of Virginia Beach, 139 F. Supp. 2d. 738, 743 (E.D.	
35		Va. 2001).		
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37	Cross Refs.:	BDDE	Rules of Order	
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The Board CeChair is responsible for the orderly conduct of the meeting and rules on such matters as the appropriateness of the subject being presented and length of time for such presentation.

A reasonable period of time, as determined by the School Board in accordance with Regulation BDDH-R/KD-RUp to one hour, will be allocated at each regular meeting for community members to present matters of public concern related to the operation of the school division.

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13 14 15 **Commented [1]:** Belief statement moved from the regulation to the policy.

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