

BLOOMSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT Policy Manual
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Section: COMMUNITY
Title: NEWS MEDIA SERVICES AT BOARD MEETINGS
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915. NEWS MEDIA SERVICES AT BOARD MEETINGS

- .1 The Board believes that one of the paramount responsibilities of a Board of School Directors is to keep the public informed of its problems, deliberations, policies, and actions. Therefore, the Board encourages the attendance of press representatives at all meetings excepting executive sessions.

- .2 A press table, provided with extra working copies of the agenda and agenda materials, shall be located near the Board’s table to enable reporters to follow discussion without difficulty.

- .3 In order that the Board may transact its business with dispatch, questions from the press will not be entertained while meetings are in progress. However, a representative of the Board will be available after each meeting to answer reporters’ questions and to clarify points of discussion and action.

- .4 When individual Board members receive requests from news media representatives for information about Board meetings, members shall refer the information-seekers to the Board President who shall be the spokesperson for the Board except as he or she specifically delegates this responsibility to others.