

BROADCASTING AND TAPING OF BOARD MEETINGS

The use of any audio or video recording device at public meetings of the Board of Education or committee appointed thereby is permissible as long as the device is unobtrusive and will not distract from the true deliberative process of the Board. The Board President or chairperson of the committee shall be informed prior to the meeting that such recordings are being made. Recordings can be viewed by contacting the District Clerk.

The Board and/or the committee reserves the right to direct that a tape recording be made to ensure a reliable, accurate, and complete account of Board meetings.

The Board permits the broadcasting of public meetings of the Board or any of its committees as long as such broadcasting is done in a manner which is unobtrusive and does not interfere with the deliberative process of the body.

Audiotape and videotape recordings of Board meetings shall be retained by the District in accordance with the Records Retention and Disposition Schedule ED-1, as follows:

- 1) Regular public meetings or public hearings - four months after transcription and/or approval of the minutes by the Board;
- 2) If a videotape is broadcast on local government access TV and is of an important or significant event, with historical importance - permanently;
- 3) If a videotape is broadcast on local government access TV and is of a routine meeting or event - one year.

Ref: Open Meetings Law, Public Officers Law §§100 *et seq.*

Mitchell v. Board of Education of Garden City UFSD,

113 AD2d 924 (1985)

Feldman v. Town of Bethel, 106 AD 2d 695 (1984)

People v. Ystueta, 99 Misc 2d 1105(1979)

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