



Policy

2355 Decorum

The following will be ruled out of order by the presiding officer during any meetings of the Board of Trustees.

- Disrupting, disturbing, or otherwise impeding the orderly conduct of the meeting.
- Physical violence or threats of physical violence directed toward any person or property.

In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by the actions of one or more persons so as to render the orderly conduct of the meeting unfeasible, the person may be removed from the meeting room.

Speakers who engage in such conduct may be removed from the podium and denied the opportunity to speak to the Board for the duration of the meeting.

Before removal, a warning and a request that the person curtail the disruptive activity will be made by the Chair of the Board. If the behavior continues, the person may be removed at the direction of the Board Chair, based on a finding that the person is violating this policy, and that such activity is intentional and has substantially impaired the conduct of the meeting.

If order cannot be restored by the removal, in accordance with these rules, of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the Board may order the meeting room cleared and may continue the meeting. The Board shall only consider matters appearing on the agenda. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this rule.

References:

Education Code Section [72121.5](#); Government Code Section [54954.3-subdivision \(b\)](#); Penal Code Sections [403](#) and [626.6](#)

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