

Board of Trustees

1 **BP 2355 DECORUM**

2 **References:**

- 3 Education Code, Section 72121.5;
4 Government Code, Section 54954.3 subdivision (b)

5 The following will be ruled out of order by the President of the Board:

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

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

12 Speakers who engage in such conduct may:

- 13 • have their right to speak terminated,
14 • be denied the opportunity to speak to the Board of Trustees for the duration of the
15 meeting, and/or
16 • be removed from the Board Room.

17 Before removal, a warning and a request that the person(s) curtail the disruptive activity
18 will be made by the President of the Board. If the behavior continues, the person(s) may
19 be removed by a vote of the Board of Trustees, based on a finding that the person is
20 violating this policy, and that such activity is intentional and has substantially impaired the
21 conduct of the meeting.

22 If order cannot be restored by the removal in accordance with these rules of individuals
23 who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the Board may order the meeting room cleared
24 and may continue in session. The Board shall only consider matters appearing on the
25 agenda. Representatives of the press and other news media, except those participating
26 in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this rule.
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28 Office of Primary Responsibility: President/Superintendent

29 Also see BP 2340 titled Agendas, BP/AP 2345 titled Public Participation at Board
30 Meetings, and BP 2350 titled Speakers.

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