

**CENTER MORICHES UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY**

**USE OF AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT AT BOARD MEETINGS**  
**(BROADCASTING AND TAPING OF BOARD MEETINGS)**

The Board of Education encourages attendance and participation at all its public meetings. The use of any video/audio tape recording device at public meetings of the Board of Education thereby is permissible as long as the device is unobtrusive and will not distract from the true deliberative process of the Board. Therefore, in order to preserve the public's right to be able to listen without disruption, the following policy is initiated:

1. Anyone who intends to use a recording device (audio or visual) at a public meeting of the Board will be required to notify the District Clerk before the start of the public meeting and notice will be made to those present at the meeting.
2. At its discretion, the Board may designate certain areas of a meeting room for the use of such recording instruments.
3. The Board reserves the right to order the individual or individuals to cease recording if such recording devices disrupt the meeting.
4. Videotape and/or audiotape equipment must be completely set up prior to the commencement of the school board meeting.
5. Comply with any other reasonable request made by the Board President, District Clerk, or other meeting chair for the purpose of maintaining order at the meeting.

The Board of Education will not stop its meeting or any discussion during the meeting in order for individuals to change audiotapes, videotapes, or to recharge equipment.

Open Meetings Law, Public Officers Law §§100 et seq.  
Mitchell v. Board of Education of Garden City UFSD,  
113 AD2d 924 (1985)  
People v. Ystueta, 99 Misc 2d 1105 (1979)

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