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MEDFORD AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Medford Area Public School District Board of Education recognizes that the public has vast resources of training and experience useful to schools. The strength of the local school district is in large measure determined by the degree to which these resources are tapped in an advisory way and to the degree that these resources are involved in supporting the improvement of the local educational program.

The board of education shall encourage the involvement of citizens both as individuals and as groups to act as advisors and resource people.

The advice of the public will be given careful consideration. In the evaluation of such advice, the first concern will be for the educational program as it affects the students. The final decision may depart from this advice when in the judgment of the staff and the board of education such advice is not consistent with goals and policies adopted by the board of education, current educational practice, or within the reach of the financial resources available.

CROSS REFERENCE: AEA, BCF, BDDH, & IICB
LEGAL REFERENCE: