



BLOUNT COUNTY  
PUBLIC LIBRARY  
*Bound Together*

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## **Public Comment Policy for the Blount County Public Library Board of Trustees**

In accordance with the Tennessee Open Meetings Act, any citizen may attend the regular or special meeting of the Blount County Public Library Board of Trustees (BoT). Attendees must comply with the Blount County Public Library (BCPL) Code of Conduct policy.

As part of the meeting agenda, there will be allotted time (30 minutes) for public comment. Citizens wishing to participate will be given two minutes to strictly speak about actionable agenda items. Comments from citizens will be on a first-come, first-served basis. The BoT reserves the right to restore order, including ceasing comments that are disruptive or not related to library business.

Public comment is an opportunity to receive valuable input from our residents, but it is not a dialogue session with Board members. There is no guarantee that matters brought by the public will be addressed by the BoT. The BoT may refer any item raised during public comment to the BCPL-Director.