



Ohio Revised Code Section 3301.137 Public meetings.

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(A) The director of education and workforce, or the director's designee, shall convene a public meeting at least once every other month. Employees of the department of education and workforce shall conduct a presentation at each meeting that addresses any new information the department has about any of its significant new or existing initiatives, policies, or guidelines; any change to state or federal law that affects the department or education stakeholders, as determined by the director, in this state; and any rule the director intends to adopt, amend, or rescind in accordance with Chapter 119. and section 3301.138 of the Revised Code.

Nothing in division (A) of this section precludes the director or the department from using other methods to engage with stakeholders.

(B) At the conclusion of a presentation under this section, the director, or the director's designee, shall provide an opportunity for public discussion on the information provided in the presentation. The director, or the director's designee, may accept public discussion about other topics as the director, or the director's designee, determines appropriate.

(C) The department shall make available via the internet an audio recording of each public meeting under this section. The director shall make the audio recording available not later than five business days after the conclusion of a meeting.

(D) Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the contrary, any nonemergency rule adopted after the effective date of this section is void unless the rule is included in a presentation conducted in a public meeting under this section prior to initiating rulemaking in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.
