

WAC 381-40-080 Persons present: In-person parole meetings. The convicted person and such institutional persons as the members conducting the meeting deem appropriate may be present during the parole meeting. A limited number of observers may be present by approval of the panel members conducting the meeting provided that the superintendent of the institution where the meeting is to be conducted does not object. Normally, attorneys or advocates will not be permitted at parole meetings. The board will accept and consider any written statements submitted by individuals expressly excluded from in-person meetings. Exclusion of observers other than those expressly excluded herein shall be had only upon a finding of cause made by the board panel on the hearing record except in cases where the institutional superintendent denies access to the hearing room. The board reserves the right to exclude any person(s) from the room during the conduct of any meeting under this chapter upon its own motion or that of any party to the hearing provided that good cause for such exclusion is articulated on the record. In the event of a language communication problem, an interpreter designated by the board shall be present to interpret and assist. The board will accept information from any interested person in writing.

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