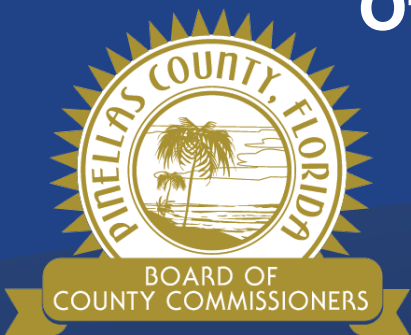


Options for a Request-to-Speak Solution



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What you asked for:

- 1. Simple solution for commissioners to indicate they wish to speak on an agenda item with the push of a button.**
- 2. Provide Chairman a real-time, system-generated list of commissioners wishing to speak.**
- 3. Provide simple way for the chairman to move through the list.**
- 4. Prefer not to use the system used by PSTA.**
- 5. Prefer not to add additional screens to commissioners' desks.**

Two best solutions:



New version of the Granicus agenda software we have.

The screenshot shows the Granicus agenda software interface. At the top left, there is a navigation menu with a back arrow and the text "Agendas > Agenda". Below this, a list of agenda items is displayed, each with a "VIEW >" link. The items include "ROLL CALL", "INVOCATION", "PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE", "PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS", "PUBLIC HEARINGS", and "BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS". Under "PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS", two items are listed: "1. 21-339A TEST: Doing Things! Employee Recognition Award: - BCC Employee" and "2. 21-340A TEST: Doing Things! Employee Recognition Award: - BCC Employee". At the bottom of the interface, there are three buttons: "WITHDRAW MOTION" (red), "SECOND" (grey), and "REQUEST TO SPEAK" (blue). Below the buttons, the status bar shows "Current Speaker: None" and "Current Item: 5. 21-343A TEST: Case No. CW 18-22 (Deferred to December 11, 2018 BCC Meeting)".

DSAN Deliberator

The screenshot shows the DSAN Deliberator software interface. At the top, there is a menu bar with "File" and "Help". Below the menu bar, there are several buttons: "Show Keypads", "Members", "Display View", "Agenda Title", and "Speaker List". The main area is divided into two columns. The left column contains a grid of member names and their respective times. The right column contains a "Speaker List" with the names "René Flowers" and "Dave Eggers". Below the grid, there are buttons for "Total 0:00", "SELECT ALL", "Sum-Up 0:00", and "Deselect". At the bottom, there are buttons for "Announce", "Discuss", "Debate", and "Vote". The "Debate" button is highlighted. Below these buttons, there are "Settings for:" and "Current Speaker" sections. The "Settings for:" section has a text input field with "Select Member or All (left click)" and buttons for "Clear" and "Reset". The "Current Speaker" section has buttons for "TALK" (green), "SUM-UP" (yellow), and "STOP" (red). At the bottom right, there is a "Time Remaining" section with a large digital display showing "0:00" and buttons for "Turn Beep Off", "Beep", and "Start".

Option 1: New version of our agenda software



New software expected in 2021 Q4 or 2022 Q1. (Nov. – March range)

- Same software will run on the iPad as other platforms.
- Vendor tells us that this will solve the problem we experienced.
- No added cost or additional staffing.
- No additional screens or hardware except for chairman's iPad with list of speakers.
- Takes advantage of current system functionality.
 - Already following the agenda.
 - Easy to use in any location.

Option 2: DSAN Deliberator

Delivery expected six weeks after order.

Earliest implementation mid to late October

- **Physical device on desk** with a manual button and number indicator showing place in line to speak.
- **iPad app for chairman** to see speaker list and move to next speaker.
- **Software** on another computer manages speakers and creates list.



Comparison:

Granicus

Pros

- No new hardware or software.
- No cost.
- No additional staffing.
- Easy to use at different locations (no hardware to transport).

Cons

- Release date not firm— implementation estimate February.
- User experience cannot be tested.
- Does not have a physical button on the desk.

DSAN Deliberator

Pros

- Physical button on the desk.
- Good user interface for chairman.
- Most likely could implement in Oct.

Cons

- Does not integrate with Granicus.
- Additional cost involved.
- Additional staff time.
- More potential points of failure with push-button boxes and extra computer.

Staff Recommendation

The Office of Technology and Innovation and the Communications Department recommend that we implement the new version of the Granicus software as soon after its release as it can be tested and implemented.

After trying that solution, if it does not meet the needs, reevaluate the DSAN Deliberator.