

STOCKBRIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
100 Price Avenue Ste A
Stockbridge, Michigan 49285

Board of Education

Regular Meeting #3 – September 8, 2025
Junior/Senior High School Media Center– 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present: Carrie Graham; President, Erin Gancer; Vice President, Rocky Ramalia; Trustee, Keven Numinen; Secretary, Cindy Lance; Treasurer, Jill Ogden; Trustee, Kary Gee; Trustee

Absent:

IV. Approval of Agenda

Move to approve the board meeting agenda for September 8, 2025 as presented/amended.

Motion : Numinen Second : Gee Passed 7-0

V. Public Comment Addressing Consent Agenda and Action Items

Please address your comments directly to the Board President. It's important to note that while the meeting is open to the public and conducted in a transparent manner, it is primarily a platform for the Board of Education to conduct its business. Board members will not engage in dialogue or respond to comments during the meeting. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in maintaining an orderly and productive meeting environment. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes, with a maximum of thirty minutes of public participation.

The board president may adjust the guideline as they see fit.

None

VI. Board of Education Comments

Introduction of JayLee Chapman student representative and introduction of board members.

VII. Board Committee Reports

None

VIII. Student Representative - JayLee Chapman

I am a senior, on the cross country, equestrian, track and basketball teams; as well as NHS treasurer and class president. I also read and train horses. New this year is the Cell Phone policy. We know it is a good thing. We have more engagement in the classroom. There were some hiccups for journalism assignments as phones were a tool used in the class. Senior Sunrise was today. It was quite frigid, but brought some more energy to the first full week. Homecoming is stressful as it is really early. The student council has limited members. We are working on recruiting students to sign up for leadership. Some students were not happy with the Homecoming Dance happening right after the game. It should be interesting as some want it a casual event whereas some want it more formal.

IX. Reports

Ms. Hodgson - Assessment Celebration

X. Superintendent Report

We will bring more detail in November for the Assessment Celebration. We are excited to celebrate with the students this Friday. I met with the Village in regards to the trail behind the high school. They would like to improve the trail. They would like permission for people to regularly go through this trail. The width may increase from 8 to 16'. The village would be doing regular maintenance for this project.

Questions posed by the board : Is this going to impact the cross country trail? If it is concrete we may need to have mats to put down. Is there a reason to bring a public trail right next to the building compared to further away over by the apple orchard?The district will seek another proposal from the Village moving the trail to the south side of the apple orchard.

We are still waiting on the state budget. Regina and Teresa will be here on the 22nd and will make some recommendations for some new reports. The auditors will be here as well to go over the audit.

School Breakfast and Lunches are in the budget until 9/30. We will put something out to parents if things change.

I went to the Lions meeting this week. We had a discussion about the district and upcoming bond information.

We are working to address the needs of the journalism class by ordering ipads.

Ben Kruse - Staff athletic passes have been distributed to each building. Cross country is setting out on a run at the end of the week to bring the homecoming game ball back from Union City. Dr. Angel from Grass Lake has encouraged us to talk to Brian Zalud the AD about the Cascades Conference. Hillsdale is looking to join the Big 8.

XI. Discussion Items

None

XII. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes - August 11, 2025 and August 25, 2025

2. Move to authorize the Superintendent (Brian Friddle), Board President (Carrie Graham) and the Board Treasurer (Cindy Lance) to sign checks drawn against the accounts of the District.
 - a. It is further moved to authorize the Business Manager (Regina Warner and Teresa Zigman) and Accounts Payable (Carolyn Malinski) to transfer funds to/from accounts as necessary to meet the District's financial obligations.
3. Move to designate Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund as investment depository for Stockbridge Community Schools for the 2025-26 fiscal year and that the Superintendent (Brian Friddle), Board President (Carrie Graham) and Board Treasurers (Cindy Lance) signatures be attached to the investment accounts.
 - a. It is further moved that the Superintendent (Brian Friddle), Business Manager (Regina Warner and Teresa Zigman), and Accounts Payable (Carolyn Malinski) be authorized to transfer funds to/from investment accounts to other savings/checking accounts of the District and is authorized to invest district monies in accordance with state and/or federal law and Board Policy.
4. Student Trips
 - a. Agriculture/Special Projects Class Trip - Punta Cana International School, Dominican Republic February 23-March 3, 2026 as presented.

Motion : Numinen Second : Ramalia Passed 7-0

XIII. Old Business

Sick Bank - This has been given to the union. We are waiting on feedback from them. I will update the notes this week after meeting with Patty.

Beyond Basics - We are working on getting summary data rather than individual student data.

Staff Survey - I would like Erin to be a part of this. I would like to have this out in October.

XIV. Schedule of Meetings

Finance Committee	September 17, 2025 3:00 PM	Heritage
Work Session	September 22, 2025 6:30 PM	Jr/Sr SSC
Regular Meeting	October 13, 2025 6:30 PM	Jr/Sr SSC
Athletics Committee		
Facilities Committee	Sept. 19, 2025 6:00 PM	Homecoming Parade

XV. Acknowledgements

Ben Kruse - The parents in the community. I appreciate the support I am receiving from parents as reinforcements for discipline.

Brian Friddle - Our staff; Our student assessment increases that were much higher than anticipated. Dena Sommer - has taken on this new role and I have heard positive comments about communication. Amanda Mathews - I have been hearing really good things there too.

Amy Hodgson - DSIT team as they have put a lot of effort into all of this. Their ideas are what we are bringing forward.

XVI. Public Comments

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Jaime Kitley - I would like to recommend Jason Stevens as a good contact for drone footage needs. The Lakeland trail will continue to grow as it is connected with the Belle Isle trail so we need to be aware for safety.

XVII. Adjournment

Move that regular meeting #1 of the Stockbridge Community School District Board of Education be adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Motion : Gancer Second : Ogden 7-0

**BOARD COMMITTEES & REPRESENTATIVES
January 13, 2025 - December 31, 2025**

Board Committees

Committee Name	Chair	Member	Member	Meeting Frequency	
Technology/Curriculum	Gancer	Ogden	Ramalia	Quarterly	
Athletics Committee	Numinen	Ramalia	Gee	As Needed	
Safety/Wellness/Repro Health/Food & Nutrition	Gee	Lance	Ogden	Annually	
Facilities Committee:	Graham	Lance	Ogden	As Needed	
Personnel Committee:	Numenin	Gee	Gancer	Bi-Annually	
Policy Committee:	Ogden	Lance	Ramalia	Bi-Annually	
Marketing Committee:	Gancer	Numinen	Graham	As Needed	
Finance Committee	Lance	Graham	Numinen	As Needed	

Board Representatives

Student Representative	Eliana Johnson & Lily Sager		Monthly	Reg Board Mtg
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SAEF Member	Lance		Quarterly	
MASB Legislature	Ogden		Annually	
MASB Voting	Ogden		Annually	
ISD Budget Voting	Delegate: Numinen	Alt:Graham	Annually	
ISD Election Rep	Delegate: Numinen	Alt:Graham	Annually	
ISOA Ingham School Officers Association	Graham	Numinen	Monthly	

School Organizations

Panther Cubs PTO	Katie Schafer			Bi-Annually	Sept/Mar
Athletic Boosters	Rebeca Lackey	Stacey Wright	Amy Adkins	Bi-Annually	Sept/Mar