



Comstock Board of Education

July 10, 2023

6:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Administration Building, Board Room

3010 Gull Road

Kalamazoo, MI 49048

269-250-8900

Welcome to the meeting of the Comstock Board of Education. This public meeting of the Board of Education is for conducting the School District's business. In response to the State Health Director's orders to combat the spread of the coronavirus pandemic while at the same time adhering to, and honoring both the spirit and intent of Michigan's Open Meetings Act, this meeting will be conducted in person while live streaming on our district's YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/comstockps/live.

Anyone who would like to participate in the "Call to the Audience Public Comment" will have to be in person and complete the form available at the entrance of the in-person meeting. You are asked to adhere to the following guidelines when addressing the Board: 1) State your name and group affiliation, if appropriate 2) Keep comments to three (3) minutes 3) No participant may speak more than once on the same topic 4) Participants shall direct all comments to the Board and not to staff or other participants 5) The presiding officer may terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant.

The posted notice of this meeting, meeting agenda, and information on how to access the live stream are posted on the District's homepage, www.comstockps.org.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE / MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. MISSION, VISION, VALUES

Dori Scholly, Treasurer

4. ROLL CALL

5. AGENDA CHANGES

6. AGENDA APPROVAL (Action)

7. RECOGNITIONS & PRESENTATIONS (Discussion: 5 Minute limit/item)

A. Annual Update - Comstock Community Auditorium

Sue Duncan, Manager, Comstock Community Auditorium

8. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Per District Policy 2504 the Board has a **three (3) minute limit** per registered speaker.

9. CONSENT AGENDA (Action)

A. Meeting Minutes

a. Monday, June 26, 2023 Regular Meeting

B. Personnel

a. Resignations

- Danielle Whitaker - Functional Teacher at CES
- Kelly Wright - 2nd Grade at CES
- Kristie Poulson - Academic Coach at STEM and CHS

b. New Hires

- Emily Brennan - Counselor at CHS
- Joel Smedes - PE and Health at STEM
- Vincent Orzel - Math Teacher at CHS
- Kendall Hullinger - English Teacher at CHS

- Carynn Banner - 2nd Grade Teacher at CES
- Dan Bowen - 2nd Grade Teacher at CES
- Kathy DeMott - GSRP Teacher at CELA
- Nolan Brockway - Math Teacher at CMS
- Jessica Faux - 3rd Grade Teacher at STEM
- Bryce Ruhl - Social Studies teacher at CHS
- Hope Goodwin - Spanish Teacher at CHS
- Terina Rafter - 3rd Grade Teacher at CES
- Melissa Stuck - 3rd Grade Teacher at CES
- Michelle LaCross - Science Teacher at CHS

C. Consent Agenda Approval

10. CELEBRATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

A. Comstock Celebrations

http://www.comstockps.org/news/comstock_celebrations

B. Superintendent's Update

Dr. Jeff Thoenes, Superintendent

C. Board Member Comments (**Discussion: 5 Minute limit/item**)

D. President's Update (**Discussion: 5 Minute limit/item**)

11. OLD BUSINESS (**Discussion: 5 Minute limit/item**)

A. Future location of the STEM Academy (**Action**)

Dr. Jeff Thoenes, Superintendent

12. NEW BUSINESS (**Discussion: 5 Minute limit/item**)

A. Approval of 2023-2024 School Calendar (**Action**)

Full Name, Position Title

B. Approval of Board Vacancy Timeline (**Action**)

Dr. Jeff Thoenes, Superintendent

13. RECORDING SECRETARY UPDATE (**Discussion: 5 Minute limit/item**)

• Reminders:

- Background checks for the 23-24 school year
- Set date for Policy Committee Meeting

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

July 10 - Board Meeting
6:00PM, Administration Bldg., Board Room

July 24 - Board Meeting
6:00PM, Administration Bldg., Board Room

Aug 11-13-MASB Summer Institute

Aug 14 Board Meeting
6:00PM, Administration Bldg., Board Room

Aug 21 MASB Facilitated Board Evaluation
5:00PM, Administration Bldg., Board Room

Aug 21 New Teacher Orientation

Aug 23 Teacher Breakfast

Aug 28 First Day of School (Half Day)

Aug 28 Board Meeting
6:00PM, Administration Bldg., Board Room

15. ADJOURNMENT

The mission of Comstock Public Schools is to serve our community by empowering, inspiring, and challenging every person within the school district to reach their full potential, and to ensure all students learn and thrive in a safe and healthy environment.

The vision of Comstock Public Schools is to be an inclusive, high performing learning community
where we foster dreams, explore possibilities, and create futures.

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