



**MANISTEE AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, January 20, 2026--7:00 PM**

**Manistee Middle/High School -- Media Center/Library  
525 Twelfth Street  
Manistee, Michigan 49660**

**AGENDA**

**MISSION**

"Mariners lead by providing an inclusive, high-quality, diverse educational environment that inspires and fulfills the goals of all learners at every stage of their journey."

**VISION**

"Leading a connected Manistee learning community, which supports the educational journey of each individual student through persistent dedication to student-centered success."

*This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda. **Please fill out a Public Comment Form if you wish to address the Board, and hand it to the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. For more information about public comment or the school board meeting process, please see Board Bylaws. Thank you.***

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Call Meeting to Order, Roll & Accept Agenda - Superintendent Ronald Stoneman**

A. **ACTION:** Consider a Motion to Accept Agenda

**3. Organization of Board** -- A. Elect Board Officers in compliance with **Policy 2405**. The Superintendent or designer will preside over the organizational meeting until a President is elected; B. Set the Schedule for Regular Board Meeting Dates, and C. Designate the District employee(s) authorized to post Board meeting notices under the Open Meetings Act.

A. Election of Officers

1. President (following election, the newly elected President will preside for the remainder of the meeting)

- a. Accept nomination(s) for President.
- b. **ACTION**: Consider a Motion to Close Nominations and Elect Nominated Board Member as Board President.

2. Vice President

- a. Accept Nomination(s) for Vice President
- b. **ACTION**: Consider a Motion to Close Nominations and Elect Nominated Board Member as Vice President.

3. Secretary

- a. Accept Nomination(s) for Secretary
- b. **ACTION**: Consider a Motion to Close Nominations and Elect Nominated Board Member as Secretary.

4. Treasurer

- a. Accept Nomination(s) for Treasurer
- b. **ACTION**: Consider a Motion to Close Nominations and Elect Nominated Board Member as Treasurer.

B. **ACTION**: Consider a Motion to Approve 2026 Regular Board Meeting Dates as Presented

C. **ACTION**: Consider a Motion to Authorize the Superintendent or his/her authorized designee to post Board Meeting Notices Under the Open Meetings Act

4. **Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Accounts Payable Report
- B. Approval of Minutes

5. **Disclosure of Conflict of Interest** -- Any Board Member having an(any) anticipated or possible Conflict(s) of Interest, as defined in **Board Policy #2301--Conflict of Interest**, on a(any) matter(s) under consideration at this meeting shall disclose that(those) situation(s) during this portion of the meeting.

6. **Public Communication**

*This portion of the agenda is for persons to address the Board. Each individual will have three (3) minutes to provide Agenda- and/or Non-Agenda-Related Comments to the Board. The Board values these communications, but Public Comment is not a form of exchange or dialogue. Please note the Board may not respond during the meeting, but questions and concerns will be addressed individually as soon as possible.*

*To ensure due process and respect of individual rights, the District maintains a formal process for handling complaints against individuals. A problem involving an individual or specific incident is best handled through administrative channels.*

*Speakers are asked to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy of others who may be affected by your comments. While it is not our intent to stifle public comment, speakers should be aware that if your statements violate the rights of others under the law of defamation or invasion of privacy, you may be held legally responsible. If you are unsure of the legal ramifications of what you are about to*

*say, we urge you to consult first with your legal advisor.*

7. **Old Business**

8. **Business/Action Items**

9. **New Business**

10. **Announcements**

A. Dean Transportation gifted our district with \$250 at their holiday luncheon. We were able to purchase 22 Thanksgiving turkeys for families in need over the holiday.

B. January Study Session Topics will include updates regarding 31n and MAPS Threat Assessment Process

C. Chamber Business Award Gala is on March 13, 2026. Please let Traci know if you are attending.

11. **ACTION: Consider a Motion to Enter Into a Closed Session Pursuant to Section 8(1)(b) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act**

A. Closed Session for Contractual Negotiations

12. **Adjournment**