

**MANISTEE AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 12, 2026--7:00 PM**

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

AGENDA

*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 and Roll**
3. **Consent Agenda**

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

4. **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.

5. **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.

6. **Board, Committee or Student Representatives' Report**

A. Attached is a draft MAPS Student Handbook 26-27 for the Board's review.

7. **Superintendent's Report and Correspondence**

A. Personnel Report

8. **Business/Action Items**

A. **Action Item:** Consider Amber Puchtel and Amber Poortvliet for tenure.

B. **Action Item:** Consider hiring Dan Dilworth as a math teacher for MMHS.

C. **Action Item:** Review and consider a motion to approve recommended Professional Development Committee Members for the school year 2026-27.

D. **Action Item:** Review and consider the Professional Development Advisory Committee recommended professional development plan for the 2026-27 school year.

E. **Action Item: Approval of Great Lakes Consortium (GLC) Cooperative Purchasing Participation**

Consider a motion to: *affirm Manistee Area Public Schools' participation in the Great Lakes Consortium (GLC) cooperative purchasing program beginning with the 2026-2027 school year and designate the Great Lakes Consortium as the District's cooperative purchasing agent for USDA Foods. Further, authorize the purchase of bread and milk products through the GLC/HPS cooperative purchasing program for the 2026-2027 school year in accordance with the terms and conditions of the cooperative purchasing agreements.*

9. **Action Item:** Consider motion to move into closed session to discuss paraprofessional negotiations.

10. **Action Item:** Motion to approve action discussed in closed session.

11. **Announcements**

A. MECC Open House | Ribbon Cutting is on August 18, 6-7 p.m. If you plan to attend, please do not arrive earlier than 6 p.m. due to active programming in the building.

12. **Adjournment**