

STOCKBRIDGE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
100 Price Avenue  
Stockbridge, Michigan 49285

**Board of Education Meeting**

Special Meeting #5 – November 16, 2020  
Virtual 6:30pm

**MINUTES**

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Graham at 6:30pm

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Members Present: President, Graham; Vice President, Gee; Secretary, Heeney, Treasurer, Lance; Trustee, Ogden, Trustee, Ostrander; Trustee, Rochow

Members Absent:

Others in Attendance: Business Manager, Tracey Wooden; Principal, Jeff Trapp; Principal Meghan Kunzelman; Principal, Sarah Bentley; Principal Brad Edwards; Director, Michelle Hilla; Director, Suzi Meyer; Director, Janice Armstrong

IV. Public Comments

Kate Dancer expressed support of virtual learning until the end of the semester or beyond.

Tracie Lentz expressed support for virtual learning for a period of time as determined by the Board.

Kelly expressed support for elementary schools to remain open to in-person learning for as long as possible.

Natalie Kinsella expressed concern for students dealing with uncertainty if we switch on and off between in-person and virtual. She is in support of virtual learning.

Sherri Garron expressed concern for kindergarteners getting a slow start to their education and the immense strain on parents if school goes virtual.

Rebecca Pidd feels a shutdown is inevitable and will support teachers with virtual learning in any way she can.

Erin Gancer expressed concern for the mental health of students and is also concerned about the inconsistency of virtual learning. She is in support of keeping in person learning open.

V. Board of Education Comments  
None

VI. Discussion/Action Items

1. Virtual Instruction Recommendation – Mr. Brown  
Interim Superintendent Bruce Brown led a discussion with members of the board including positivity trends in the area, risk level matrix, contact tracing and connections amongst student, staff and community members. Mr. Brown recommended the Board pause in-person learning for a period of time.

Motion made by Gee and seconded by Lance to approve administrations recommendation to suspend in-person instruction through January 10<sup>th</sup> 2020, as presented.

Passed 7-0

VII. Adjournment

Motion made by Lance and seconded by Gee that special meeting #5 of the Stockbridge Community School District Board of Education be adjourned at 7:24pm. Passed