BOARD OF EDUCATION
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The regular meeting of the North Branch Board of Education was held 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 8, 2014 in the board room located in the North Branch Educational Services Center, 6655 Jefferson, North Branch, Michigan.

President Clark called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present: Rosann Clark, Cathy Severance, Cory Mabery , Daniel Deshetsky, Mike Snoblen, Doug Meiburg and Melissa Schank

Others Present:	Thomas A. English	Superintendent
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary
	Cindy Howe	Middle School Principal
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	Greg Matheson	Elementary Principal
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operations & Technology

Agenda
Moved by Snoblen, supported by Meiburg that the Board of Education approves the agenda as presented.
Roll call vote: Severance aye, Clark aye, Mabery aye, Snoblen aye, Deshetsky aye, Schank aye, Meiburg aye.
Motion Carried.

Public Comment
None

Recess 7:21
Back in Session 7:23

Consent Agenda
Mr. Meiburg noted the following correction
Moved by Severance, supported by Mabery that the Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda and hereby approves the consent agenda that includes minutes from the August 25, 2014 regular meeting, the general fund bills in the amount of $2,276,814.29 and the food service bills in the amount of $1,541.70 and herby approves the consent agenda with the following correction.

> *Mr. Meiburg stated that in the August 25, 2014 minutes it read that his comment under the board comment section was incorrect it said "Would like the board to get their financial house in order and thinks we should strive towards $3.9 million fund balance and thanked the prospective board members for being there." He would like it changed to read "Would like the board to get its*

financial house in order. We should think of our fund balance as $-3.9 million rather than +$100,000 since we just borrowed $4 million at the previous meeting (2 weeks ago).

Roll call vote: Snoblen aye, Severance aye, Deshetsky aye, Schank aye, Meiburg aye, Clark aye, Mabery aye. Motion carried.

Items for Action

Moved by Snoblen, supported by Schank that the Board of Education authorize the superintendent to execute the one year retainer agreement with Management Consultants Luce, Basil and Collins as presented.

Role call vote: Mabery aye, Meiburg nay, Deshetsky aye, Severance aye, Schank, aye, Clark aye, Snoblen aye. Motion Carried.

Future Action

MASB Self-Assessment Review – Gary Howell will lead the Board in a review of its responses to the MASB Self-Assessment at the September 22 Board of Education Meeting.

Moved by Severance, supported by Schank, that the Board of Education establish the following goals for the 2014-2015 school year:

1- Manage a balanced 2014-2015 budget with the goals of adding to the fund balance.
2- Negotiate a contract with the NBEA maintaining financial stability while being fair to the employees.
3- Study the impact of a Balanced Calendar on student achievement.

Role call vote: Deshetsky aye, Clark aye, Schank aye, Meiburg aye, Snoblen aye, Severance aye Mabery aye. Motion Carried.

Public Comment

Robyn Parton – feels the priority should be to revitalize course offerings at the high school.

Board Comment

Snoblen- commented on football and band programs

Schank – commented about universal breakfast

Severance– commented about transportation services and congratulated Mr. Fish on his 1000th volleyball win in his coaching career

Deshetsky – commented about the instructional program

Meiburg – commented about district finances & instructional program

Mabery – commented about instructional program

Clark – commented about student count

Mr. English informed the board that the Alumni Dinner was a great success.

Moved by Meiburg, supported by Mabery that the Board of Education meeting adjourns at 8:26 p.m.
Roll call vote: Snoblen aye, Mabery aye, Clark aye, Deshetsky aye, Severance aye, Meiburg aye and Schank aye. Motion carried.