

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NORTH BRANCH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER  
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The regular meeting of the North Branch Board of Education was held 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 28, 2016 in the board room located in the North Branch Educational Services Center, 6655 Jefferson, North Branch, Michigan.

President Mabery called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present:     Cory Mabery, President  
                         Cheryl Howell, Vice-President  
                         Doug Meiburg, Treasurer  
                         Melissa Schank, Secretary  
                         Daniel Deshetsky, Trustee  
                         Tom Nellenbach, Trustee  
                         Larry Mabery, Trustee

Others Present:	Thomas A. English	Superintendent
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operations & Technology
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	Jim Fish	Athletic Director
	Cindy Howe	Middle School Principal
	Robert Jansen	Ruth Fox Elementary Principal
	Greg Matheson	Elementary School Principal
	Dane Terauds	Elementary School Assistant Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

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Moved by Deshetsky, supported by L. Mabery Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call vote: Meiburg aye, L. Mabery aye, Howell aye, Schank aye, C. Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Nellenbach aye

7 aye, 0 nay – Motion Carried

**Communications:**

Mr. English informed the board that Paul Stauder will be attending the board meeting on April 25 to discuss the school bond loan fund.

**Presentations:**

Mr. Stevens introduced Noah Manthei (7<sup>th</sup> grade) with some background information on him and the forensics program. Noah did a piece from the book “A child called It”.

**Board Committee Reports**

**Finance** - Mr. Deshetsky – Expressed the importance of having Paul Sauder attend the board meeting so that the information can be presented to the entire board.

**Public Comment:** The board entertained public comment.

**Items for action/discussion:**

Moved by Howell, supported by Schank the Board of Education approves the March 14, 2016 regular meeting minutes as amended.

Roll call vote: Nellenbach aye, Schank aye, Meiburg aye, Deshetsky aye, L. Mabery aye, Howell aye, C. Mabery

7 aye. 0 aye – Motion Carried

Mr. Hiltunen and Mrs. White presented information on Teacher Evaluation process.

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the 2016-2017 teacher evaluation process as presented and that a copy be attached to the minutes.

Roll Call Vote: Meiburg aye, Deshetsky, aye, C. Mabery aye, Nellenbach aye, Howell aye, L. Mabery aye, Schank aye

7 aye, 0 nay – Motion Carried

Mr. Drayton presented the three options for new phone systems and entertained questions.

Moved by Howell, supported by Schank the Board of Education approve the purchase of a new phone system from Frontier-MiVoice for a price not to exceed \$ 89,097.33.

Roll Call Vote: C. Mabery aye, Nellenbach aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Meiburg aye, Shank aye, L. Mabery aye

7 aye, 0 nay – Motion Carried

Moved by Schank, supported by L. Mabery the Board of Education has conducted two readings and adopted Bylaws/Policies: 1240, 1420, 2623, 3220, & EDGAR related Bylaws & Policies: 0144.3, 1130, 3110, 4110, 6110, 6111, 6112, 6114, 6116, 6325 (new), 6550, 7300, 7310, 7450, 8500.

Roll Call Vote: Nellenbach nay, Howell aye, Schank aye, L. Mabery aye, Meiburg aye, Deshetsky aye, C. Mabery aye.

6 aye, 1 nay – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Schank the Board of Education approve the contract with MLI to conduct the superintendent search.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, C. Mabery nay, Deshetsky nay, Meiburg nay, Schank aye, Nellenbach nay, L. Mabery nay.

2 aye, 5 nay – Motion failed

**Future Action:**

Computer Upgrades – Mr. English touched briefly on the need for computers and informed them that Mr. Drayton and his committee is working on preparing a plan for needed updates and costs.

**Other Business:** none

**Public Comment:** The Board entertained public comment.

**Board Member Comment:** The board members made comments.

**Recess:** 9:26 p.m.

**Returned:** 9:32 p.m.

Moved by Meiburg, supported by Schank that the Board of Education enter into closed session at 9:33 p.m. for NBEA & AFSCME negotiations strategy.

Roll call vote: Schank aye, Deshetsky aye, Nellenback aye, L Mabery aye, C Mabery aye, Howell aye, Meiburg aye

7 aye, 0 nay - Motion carried

Doug Meiburg left at 9:48 p.m.

The Board of Education returned from closed session at 9:49 p.m.

Moved by Schank, supported by Howell that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the closed session.

Roll call vote: C. Mabery aye, Nellenbach aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Schank aye, L Mabery aye

6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent - Motion carried

Moved by L. Mabery, supported by Howell that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

Roll call vote: C. Mabery aye, Nellenbach aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Schank aye, L. Mabery aye.

6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent - Motion carried



Melissa Schank, Secretary