BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH BRANCH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER
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The regular meeting of the North Branch Board of Education was held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2019 in the board room located in the North Branch Educational Services Center, 6655 Jefferson, North Branch, Michigan.

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

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present:	Daniel Deshetsky, President
	Cory Mabery, Vice President
	Cheryl Howell, Treasurer
	Melissa Schank, Secretary
	Lori Lane, Trustee
	Brenden Miller, Trustee
	Joshua Leach, Trustee

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Melissa Montgomery	Business Director
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum and Instruction
	Teresa Upleger	Special Education Coordinator
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operation and Technology
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	John Sherman	High School Assistant Principal
	Cindy Howe	Ruth Fox Middle School Principal
	Bill Barkowska	Ruth Fox Middle School Assistant Principal
	Greg Matheson	Elementary Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 7

Moved by Miller, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: Schank aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach, aye, Howell aye, Miller aye, Mabery aye, Lane aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent - Motion Carried

Student Report-
Hannah Gipson, High School Student – Informed the board of the following:

- After the crazy amount of snow days, everyone at the high school is looking forward to better weather and a consistent schedule.
- Student council is ready for the Snowcoming game this Thursday and dance this Saturday. This year's theme is "Escape to Paradise". Spirit week is getting everyone excited.
    - Monday – Jersey Day
    - Tuesday – Destination Day
    - Wednesday – There's no place like home

- Thursday – Blue & White Day

- The Business, Media and Promotions class have been continuing their winter sport writing with the Tri-City Times, including working on the snow days to meet deadlines. Yearbooks are currently on sale, get them before the price goes up in March. The NBA Highlights magazine was recently released, go to highlights.nbbroncos.net to subscribe.
- The Drama Department is busy again. They had auditions for Spring play "The Trials of Robin Hood. They attended the Mid-Michigan Arts Festival and took home several awards. All out winners for their acting, tech and directing included Zach McDougall, Samantha Hemingway, Julia Hagopian and Ava Kee and black book winners for tech, directing and script included Daniel Weaver, Nicholas Harrison, Bruno Voigt and Tristan Weber.
- Students are fundraising for the Costa Rica trip in June 2019. They had a Buffalo Wild Wings Night on January 21st to help raise funds for the trip, and will have another fundraiser in March.
- The North Branch Band is having a Sweetheart Serenade this Friday from 6 – 8 pm. There will be a buffet-style meal and raffles while listening to the award winning Bronco Band. Tickets are $20.00.
- Prom is right around the corner. The Prom Committee is currently meeting to decide theme, decorations, and all the details that go into such a big event. Prom will be held on April 13, 2019.

Presentations:
NBHS Student Council Presentation – Hannah Gipson presented two checks to Andrew and Tabitha Terry from The Refuge. The first check for $160 was raised through the work of the English Department. They provided educational experiences and fundraising opportunities to the high school students. One of the fundraisers was volunteer t-shirts, which the high school student council purchased. The money from their purchase is the second check totaling $108. With the two checks, she presented a total of $268.00 to The Refuge.

Board Committee Reports: The board scheduled a Facilities this Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 7:00 am.

Comments from the Public: none

Consent Agenda
Moved by Miller, supported by Howell the Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda including the approval of minutes from January 29, 2019 Regular Meeting, reviewed the January Accounts Payables in the amount of $888,253.27, reviewed the January Food Service Bills in the amount of $39,054.19 and reviewed the January Financial Report.
Roll Call Vote: Lane aye, Howell aye, Schank aye, Mabery aye, Leach aye, Miller aye, Deshetsky aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action
Moved by Miller, supported by Schank the Board of Education nominates Andrea Kropp as the 2019 Friend of Youth.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Schank aye, Lane aye, Miller aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye,
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Communications -
Mr. Jeffery Drayton, Director of Operations and Technology:

- E-Rate Update
- Field Update
- Security Camera Project update
- MI State Police School Safety Grant
- School Bus Purchase – Waiting on Inspection
- Elementary Parking Lot Expansion – Bids due 3/7/19
- Digital Sign Update
- Paperless Board Meeting

Mr. Greg Matheson, Elementary Principal – Informed the board of the following:

- January Core Essential – Self-Control
- NBE PD Day – January 14th
- Penny Wars – raised a total of $1820.02

Mrs. Cindy Howe, Ruth Fox Middle School Principal

- Focus Kids Committee – Working on Valentine Day treat
- Art Show at Gallery 194
- Space Camp Applications are available now
- Spelling Bee

Mr. Mark Hiltunen, High School Principal

- Drama Club – performed at the Mid-Michigan Theater Art and Festival
- Snowcoming
- Mason Ludwig – featured in the "Rising Star" section of the Jan/Feb 2019 issue of Late Model Racer Magazine.
- News from Ed-Tech – First State Qualifying Competitions
- DECA District Competition
- FAFSA March 1 Deadline
- MCan Grant Career Focused - $20,000 Award

Mrs. Teresa Upleger, Special Education Coordinator

- Special Olympics – March 14 @ NBE Gym from 10 am – Noon

Mrs. White, Curriculum Director– Informed the board of the following:

- Professional Resources to Support Early Literacy
- District School Improvement Planning
- District-wide Committees
- Kindergarten Readiness Assessment

Mr. Fish, Superintendent – Informed the board of the following:

- Communication from Lapeer County Community Foundation
- Safety Grant
    - Architectural Glazing Rep – Tues 2/12
- Athletic Update
    - Reverse Raffle – Feb 23 @ 5pm
    - Boys District Basketball vs Goodrich @ Lakeville 2/25 @ 7pm
    - Girls District Basketball @ North Branch March 4, 6 & 8
- Snow Day Discussion Options

Items for Future Discussion/Action -

a. Elementary Parking Lot Expansion (March 11)

Comments from the Public – none

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Lane, supported by Howell that the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Miller aye, Schank aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Melissa Schank

Melissa Schank, Secretary