

**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, April 22, 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 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present: Daniel Deshetsky, President  
Cory Mabery, Vice President  
Cheryl Howell, Treasurer  
Brenden Miller, Secretary  
Lori Lane, Trustee  
Joshua Leach, Trustee  
Jason Cullin, Trustee (appointed in 10b)

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Melissa Montgomery	Business Director
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum and Instruction
	Teresa Upleger	Special Education Supervisor
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operation and Technology
	Mark Brown	Technology Support Coordinator
	Cindy Howe	Ruth Fox Middle School Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 19

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

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Lane aye, Miller aye, Leach, aye, Mabery aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent - Motion Carried

**Student Report:**

Autumn Deshetsky, High School Senior – Informed the board of the following:

- Students are excited for state testing to be wrapping up and to get back to a normal schedule.
- The student council is getting ready for teacher appreciation week starting May 6<sup>th</sup> and looking forward to next year.
- The BPA will be attending their Leadership Conference May 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The Drama Department is busy again. They had audition today for their first annual Dessert Theater.
- The North Branch Band is having their Collage Concert on May 16<sup>th</sup> and their Banquet on May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- National Honor Society is gearing up for their Blood Drive on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

- Prom was fantastic at Solitude Links. Everyone enjoyed their night and everything went smoothly.
- Seniors are looking forward to:
  - Senior Trip to Cedar Point –May 13-14
  - Last day of School – May 17
  - Graduation Practice & Swing Out on May 22
- Last but not least, the Freshman class is looking forward to the Michigan Construction Day Field Trip on May 1 that is put on through the Counseling Office.

**Presentations:**

**State Representative Gary Howell – discussed the following with the board:**

- Snow Days – The State of Emergency days (3) have been past at the House level and is now on to the Senate.
- Educational Budget & FTE Allowance
- Algebra II credit change
- Teacher Evaluation
- Entertained questions from the board

**DSA local businesses – VIP program**

Mrs. Upleger, Special Education Supervisor introduced Bob O’Dell from the Lapeer County Intermediate School District that spoke regarding our VIP program. Then Alyssa Welling, High School Special Education teacher shared a power point regarding some of the classroom activities and gave an update on the program.

**Special Olympic Athlete Recognition-** Mrs. Upleger, Special Education Supervisor acknowledged the volunteers that make the Special Olympics possible and the Special Olympic Athletes for their accomplishments. Mrs Cheryl Bartel gave special recognition to the High School Seniors that have volunteered for many years.

**K8 Art Show** – Becky Baksa, Ruth Fox Middle School Art teacher shared a power point with the accomplishments of her students throughout the year.

**Board Committee Reports:**

Finance Committee (4/18/2019) – Cheryl Howell reviewed the finance notes and entertained questions from the board.

**Comments from the Public:** The board entertained comments from the public.

**Consent Agenda**

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda including the approval of minutes from April 8, 2019 regular board meeting and accepted the resignation of Jennifer Hubbell, Elementary Teacher effective June 30, 2019 with regrets and best wishes.

Roll Call Vote: Lane aye, Miller aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

**Items for Discussion/Action**

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Miller

Whereas a vacancy has been caused on this board of education by reason of resignation; and  
Whereas this board of education has by law authority to fill a vacancy for the unexpired term  
thereof;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by majority vote of all the remaining members of the board of  
Education of the North Branch Area School District that Jason Cullin be and hereby is, appointed  
to serve as a member of the board of education of this school district for the unexpired term of  
Melissa Schank ending on December 31, 2020

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

Break – 9:04 p.m.

Back in Session – 9:08

Moved by Howell, supported by Lane the Board of Education adopt the 2019 LCISD Election  
resolution designating Cory Mabery as its representative and Lori Lane as the alternate as  
presented and attached.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Lane aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Miller aye, Mabery  
aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Miller, supported by Leach the Board of Education entertain the Second Reading and  
Adoption for NB Board of Education Policies:

0100 – Definitions Voting

0167.2 – Closed Session

1422.01 – Drug Free Workplace

1430, 3430, 4430 – Leaves of Absence

2210 - Curriculum Development

2414 – Reproductive Health & Family Planning

3120 & 3120.04 – Employment of Professional Staff & Substitutes

5113.01 & 5513.02 – School of Choice

5200 – Attendance

6321 – New School Construction

6325 – Procurement

6605 – Crowd Funding

8400 – School Safety Information

8402 – School Safety Information

8500 – Food Service

8510a – North Branch Area Schools Wellness Policy (8510 addendum)

8640 Transportation for Field & other District-Sponsored Trips

Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Miller aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Lane  
aye.

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell that the Board of Education approve the 2013 Debt  
Retirement principal & interest payment in the amount of \$761,500, 2015 Debt Retirement  
Principal & interest payment in the amount of \$1,880,500 and the 2016 Debt Retirement principal  
and interest payment in the amount of \$2,341,799.23.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Miller aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Lane  
aye.

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Lane that the Board of Education approve the updated 5 year plan for Curriculum.

Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Miller aye, Howell aye, Lane aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Leach, supported by Miller that the Board of Education approve the updated 5 year plan for Facilities.

Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Leach aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Miller aye, Lane aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery that the Board of Education approve the updated 5 year plan for Technology.

Roll Call Vote: Miller aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin that the Board of Education approve the Grade 4 Blood borne Infection Lesson.

Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Mabery aye, Lane aye Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Miller aye, Howell aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Miller, supported by Mabery that the Board of Education approve the purchase of 2 propane busses at a cost not to exceed \$190,000.

Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Miller aye, Lane aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

#### **Communications -**

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

- Teacher Technology Institute Next Meeting

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

- Mr. Zott, LCISD Superintendent Communications
  - Annual Meeting
  - 2019-2020 proposed ISD General Fund Operating Budget
- 2 – communications regarding parent meetings

#### **Items for Future Discussion/Action -**

- a. 2018-2019 – Teacher Technology Grant Recipient Presentation (May 13, 2019)
- b. 2019 High School & Quest Graduates (May 13, 2019)
- c. Probation/Tenure (May 13, 2019)
- d. 18-19 Budget Amendment (June 10, 2019)

e. 19-20 Budget Adoption (June 10, 2019)

**Comments from the Public** – The board entertained comments from the public.

**Comments from Board Members** – The board members made comments.

Moved by Mabery supported by Howell the Board of Education enter into closed session at 10:32 p.m. for the purpose of a Superintendent Evaluation.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye, Miller aye, Leach aye, Cullin aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Leach the Board of Education approve the minutes of the closed session.

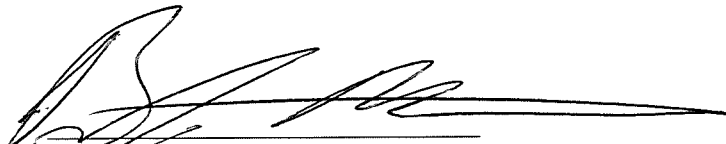
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Miller aye, Leach aye, Deshetsky aye, Lane aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Leach that the Board adjourn the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Miller aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye, “New Board Member aye, Deshetsky aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried



Brenden Miller, Secretary