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, January 13, 2020 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 7:07 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present:	Daniel Deshetsky, President
	Cory Mabery, Vice President
	Cheryl Howell, Treasurer
	Lori Lane, Secretary
	Brenden Miller, Trustee - arrived at 7:54 p.m.
	Jason Cullin, Trustee
	Joshua Leach, Trustee

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Melissa Montgomery	Business Director
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operation & Technology
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	John Sherman	High School Assistant Principal
	Dane Terauds	Ruth Fox Principal
	Bill Barkowska	Ruth Fox Assistant Principal
	Greg Matheson	Elementary Principal
	Kim Hewitt	Elementary Assistant Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

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Moved by Leach, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Lane aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent - Motion Carried

Presentations:
Mr. Matheson presented Rose Schoen & Miriam Smillie with a Distinguished Service Award for their years of dedication and commitment to North Branch Area Schools.

Board Committee Reports:
Cory Mabery reviewed items that were discussed at the Facility Committee Meeting on January 6, 2020 and the board had discussion.

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

Consent Agenda

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda including the approval of minutes from December 9, 2019 regular board meeting, reviewed the December Accounts payables bills in the amount of $941,861.35, reviewed the December Food Service Bills in the amount of $40,526.90, reviewed the December Financial Report.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Lane aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the employment of Brian Kirk as a 4 hour Paraprofessional at Ruth Fox Middle School.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Lane aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the employment of Elizabeth Lovasz as a Special Education Teacher at North Branch High School.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Leach the Board of Education approve the regular meeting dates for 2020 as presented and attached
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Lane aye,
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Leach the Board of Education approve the 2020-21 NBAS School Calendar as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Lane aye, Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the designation of Thrun Law Firm for the district's legal counsel, the firm of Taylor, Butterfield, Howell, Churchill, & Garner of Lapeer for all real estate transactions and other local matters.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Leach aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Lane aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Leach that the Board of Education adopt the 2020 district/superintendent goals as stated:
1) North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will teach, measure, and continuously improve instruction aligned with state standards for increased student achievement and College and Career readiness.
2) North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will evaluate and enhance opportunities for students by adopting and executing a budget that prioritizes teaching and learning while improving the district's financial stability.
3) North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will validate the importance of every staff member as critical to the success of the district and will maintain partnerships of integrity and trust within the North Branch Community.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Lane aye, Howell aye, Leach aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Deshetsky that the Board of Education approve the high school track reconstruction bid as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Lane aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Bid awards include the following:

- Site Work - Boddy Construction - $541,460.44
- Fencing - American Fence - $47,805.00
- Track Surface - Goddard Coatings - $103,709.56
- Rear Bleacher Steps - Southern Bleacher - $29,300.00

Brenden Miller arrived at 7:54 pm

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell that the Board of Education approve the 2020-2021 High School Course Catalog.
Roll Call Vote: Miller aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

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

- December – A time to celebrate the season as well as share the gift of giving
  - Annual All Building Sing-a-long
  - Kids Helping Kids
- Core Essential Assembly – Joy
- BK/K Parent Orientation Meeting – February 11
- Perfect Attendance – 302 students
- PTC News
  - Popcorn Fridays
  - Penny Wars – 1/13-17
- Pre-School Enrollment starting

Mr. Terauds, Ruth Fox Middle School Principal – Informed the board of the following:

- Attendance Matters
- Protect Young Eyes
- Old Fashioned Family Christmas / Space Camp
- Girls who Code
- Skyward Alerts and how to receive them
- Little Caesar's Pizza Kit Fundraiser for 5th & 6th – Starts 1/15

Mr. Hiltunen, High School Principal – Informed the board of the following:

- Final Exams
- Tips for Studying for Exams
- Counselor's Corner
  - Second Semester Schedules
  - DEEP (Engineering and Medical) Information Meeting
  - Studying for the SAT
  - Scholarships
  - FAFSA
- Protect Young Eyes
- NBHS Spanish Club – Planning a trip to Puerto Rico

- Bronco Winners
- Athlete Signings
    - Maddie Taylor – Albion College to play softball
    - Quinn Peterson – St Claire County Community College to play volleyball
- Traver Montgomery – Bowled a perfect game on 12/19

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

- Old Fashioned Family Christmas
- NBAS Mentor/Mentee Support
- Instructional Coaches Curriculum Corner
- Summer School Reading Grant 35a(9)
- Remaining District Provided Professional Development Days
- Leadership Scheduling Meeting
- District & Building Annual Education Reports
- State Assessment Spring 2020 Timeline

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

- Lapeer County Intermediate School District Common Calendar
- Anthony Herbert Memorial Student Heart Check upcoming event @ McLaren-Lapeer
- Busing recommendation for secondary students that live in the village walk zone
- Flu & Immunization Clinics at NBE & RFMS
- TheGreenGloveDryer – Consumers Energy

Items for Future Discussion/Action

a. 2019-2020 Budget Amendment (January 27, 2020)

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Miller, supported Howell by the meeting adjourns at 8:34 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Howell aye, Miller aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Lori J. Lane

Lori Lane, Secretary