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 10, 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 7:02 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
Joshua Leach, Trustee
Brenden Miller, Trustee - absent
Jason Cullin, Trustee- absent

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 Middle School Principal
	Greg Matheson	Elementary Principal
	Kim Hewitt	Elementary Assistant Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 9

Moved by Howell, supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Lane aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent - Motion Carried

Student Report:
Senior, Shyanne Utley reported:

- Everyone was excited that the snow held off and we were able to have all the snowcoming activities! The pep assembly went especially well with the teachers crushing the junior/seniors in powdertuff.
- The drama club attended the annual Mid-Michigan drama festival. At the festival, students are critiqued by professional in the field and get to see 12 performances from other schools. Haley Glover, Nate Rodriguez and Gracie Russel took home awards for acting and technology.
- There is a new issue of NB highlights out, make sure to subscribe to receive the newest issues as soon as they come out.

- Student council has been cleaning and organizing the "Bronco Boutique on Wednesday mornings. Because of their efforts, a dozen students were able to receive dresses for snowcoming.
- This Friday the NHS students are lending a helping hand to finish organizing the Bronco Boutique by coming in on their day off.
- Mrs. Howe and Mr. Bechtel are offering after school Saturday tutoring sessions for the junior class.
- The quizbowl team is excited to host a home competition this Thursday. Good luck to them!

Presentations:
Poems for Pets- 4th Grade students Ella Harrison and Lucas Delger-Whiteman shared their project to help homeless pets find their fur-ever homes. These two students have contacted many businesses to ask permission to hang handmade posters of pets that are available for adoption. The posters will include a picture, information and poem about the pet. Well Done Ella and Lucas.

Board Committee Reports:
Mr. Leach shared the notes from the facilities committee meeting and entertained questions from the board.

Comments from the Public: None

Consent Agenda
Moved by Mabery, supported by Leach the Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda including the approval of minutes from January 27, 2020 Regular board meeting, review of January Accounts payable bills in the amount of $890,245.97, review of the January Food Service Bills in the amount of $48,718.42 and review of the January Financial Report
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Lane aye, Howell aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action
Moved by Leach, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the district to bid for the High School Auditorium Renovations.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Deshetsky the Board of Education nominates the North Branch American Legion Post 457 as the 2020 Friend of Youth.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Leach aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye
5 aye 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Communications –
Mr. Matheson, Elementary School Principal – Informed the board of the following:
- Core Essentials – January is Knowledge
- NBE PD Day
- Penny Wars – raised $910.90
- "Egg"celent Lesson – Mrs. Sieradzki's class is in the middle of incubating chicken eggs
- BK/K Parent Orientation – Feb 11
- Count Day – Feb 12
- Classroom Valentines Parties – Feb 13

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

- Report Cards Posted (1st Semester
- RFMS Participated in the Michigan Art Education Association Region 10 Show
- Annual Education Report is Online
- Spirit Week
- Free Vaccine Clinic – 2/20/20 – 3 – 6:30 pm
- Attendance Matters
- Band Recognition
- Thank you Alex from Scarves 4 Cozy Kids
- Skyward Alerts
- Anthony Herbert Memorial Student Heart check

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

- Course Selection for 2020-2021 School Year
- FAFSA March 1 Deadline
- Scholarships
- Class Requests for 2020-2021 school year
- DEEP Pre-Engineering and Medical Careers
- Dual Enrollment
- Local Scholarships
- National School Counselor Week
- Voice of Democracy
- Quiz Bowl
- MABOA District 3 Honors Band – Jan 25
- Be a Bronco Winners
- Attendance Matters
- Spirit Week
- Reverse Raffle – 2/29
- Community Hall of Fame Seeking Nominations
- Resilience Move Screening – 2/11/2020

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

- K-3 Lab Classrooms
- Literacy Paraprofessional Training
- RFMS Girls Who Code Club
- Instructional Coaches Curriculum Corner
- Adolescent Accelerated Reading Initiative
- Feb 14 DPPD day
- Read by Grade Three Information Meeting
- District Communication Meeting
- NBAS & University of Michigan Consortium

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

- Count Day – 2/12
- Quiz Bowl Tournament – 2/13
- No School – 2/17
- Bus Driver Appreciation Week – Feb 10 – 14th
- Resilience Movie Screening – 2/11/2020 at 6:30 pm

- Youth Mental Health First Aid Training – 2/17
- Disaster Planning Session
- Staff Communications
- Propane Bus Grant Update
- Rave Panic Button
- Employee Wellness Center

Items for Future Discussion/Action - None

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Break: 8:00 p.m.

Moved by Howell, supported by Daniel the Board of Education enter into closed session at 8:05 p.m. for the purpose of preliminary discussion regarding collective bargaining agreement.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky, aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Returned to Open Session – 8:35 p.m.

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the minutes of the closed session.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Lane aye
5 aye, 0 nay 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported Leach by the meeting adjourns at 8:53 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Lane aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Lori Lane
Lori Lane, Secretary