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 24, 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 7:01 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
	Jason Cullin, Trustee
	Brenden Miller, Trustee - absent
	Joshua Leach, 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
	Bill Barkowska	Ruth Fox Assistant Principal
	Theresa Rae	Interim Elementary Assistant Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 23

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

Student Report: None

Presentations:
North Branch Wellness & Fitness Center – Beth Stradinger shared details of the improvements that have been made at the wellness center, the classes that are being offered and the current challenges.

Ruth Fox Middle School Online Store – Chris McNulty, 8th grade history teacher shared some basic information regarding the Ruth Fox Middle School Store then introduced Brady Mitchell, Cole Kardell and Te'aria Spitler. The 3 students presented the website they have designed for the new Ruth Fox Middle School Online Store that will be rolled out after spring break.

Instructional Coaches Update – Cindy Lewis, Theresa Rae and Sarah Thomas presented an update on the Elementary and Ruth Fox Literacy and Math programs.

North Branch Early College Partnership – Mark Hiltunen presented the history of how the Early College was started and where the program is now. Over 50 North Branch students are currently in classes.

Board Committee Reports: Lori Lane shared the minutes from the February 17 curriculum meeting. She shared the excitement of the new Spanish books for our Spanish classes and highlights from the new math program.

Comments from the Public: None

Consent Agenda
Moved by Howell, supported by Cullin the Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda including the approval of minutes from February 10, 2020 regular board meeting and acknowledge the resignation of Kim Hewitt, Elementary Assistant Principal with regret and best wishes.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Howell aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action
Moved by Howell, supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the employment of Theresa Rae as Interim Elementary Assistant Principal.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the Fundraising Initiative for additional stadium enhancements.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye
5 aye 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the administrative and non-administrative contracts as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Lane aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye
5 aye 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Communications –
Mr. Barkowska - Ruth Fox Middle School Assistant Principal – Informed the board of the following:
- 7th Grade Field Trip to Detroit on Friday

Mr. Hiltunen, High School Principal – Informed the board of the following:
- Mrs. Healey - $500 scholarship for Art Supplies

Mrs. White, Curriculum Director – Informed the board of the following:
- Special Olympics - March 11 from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Mr. Fish, Superintendent – Informed the board of the following:
- No Board Meeting – March 9, 2020
- Special Olympics in Elementary Gym – March 11, 2020 10am – 12:30 pm

- Hall of Fame Nomination Deadline – March 1, 2020
- Set a Date for Policy Committee Meeting for Spring Update –3/17 or 4/7 at 5pm
- Count Day Information
- 2020-2021 – School Start Time
- ISD Superintendent Communication
    - CTE Superintendent Report
    - Special Ed Update
    - Literacy Update
    - General Education Update
    - Provision of Services
    - Celebrity Server Fundraiser
- School Lunch Debt article
- County Wide Special Education Millage
- NBABA New Business Packets

Items for Future Discussion/Action –

- Finance Committee Meeting (March 23, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.)
- Superintendent Informal Update (April 13, 2020)
- Update of 5 year plans – Curriculum, Technology and Facilities (April 27, 2020)

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Break: 8:32 p.m.

Moved by Mabery, supported by Lane the Board of Education enter into closed session at 8:40 p.m. for the purpose of NBEA Negotiations Update.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky, aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Returned to Open Session – 9:33 p.m.

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

Moved by Mabery, supported Howell by the meeting adjourns at 9:42 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Lane aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Lori J. Lane

Lori Lane, Secretary