BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH BRANCH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER
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The regular meeting of the North Branch Board of Education was held electronically at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 14, 2020.

President Deshetsky called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present:	Daniel Deshetsky, President
	Cheryl Howell, Treasurer
	Cory Mabery, Vice President
	Lori Lane, Secretary
	Brenden Miller, Trustee – arrived at 7:31 p.m.
	Joshua Leach, Trustee
	Jason Cullin, Trustee

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	John Sherman	High School Assistant Principal
	Dane Terauds	Ruth Fox Principal
	Bill Barkowska	Ruth Fox Assistant Principal
	Theresa Rae	Elementary Principal
	Nik Hopp	Elementary Assistant Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 3

Moved by Howell, supported by Lane the Board of Education adopt the resolution as presented and attached.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Lane aye
Motion Carried – 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

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

Moved by Mabery supported by Leach the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of November 16, 2020 special meeting minutes, review of the November Accounts Payables in the amount of $587,657.85, Review of the November Food Service Bills in the amount of 44,057.08 and reviewed the November Financial Report.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye
Motion Carried – 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Moved by Howell supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the probation and tenure recommendations as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Lane aye, Howell aye

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

Moved by Mabery supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the purchase of a 2021 snow plow truck from Milnes Ford.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Lane aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Leach aye
Motion Carried – 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Brenden Miller arrive at 7:31 p.m.

Moved by Deshetsky supported by Howell the Board of Education entertain the first reading of North Branch Policies 6114, 6325 and 8450.05 as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Miller aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Lane aye
Motion Carried – 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Moved by Mabery supported by Lane the Board of Education acknowledge the two 2-way interaction for the month of November.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Miller aye, Lane aye, Leach aye, Howell aye
Motion Carried – 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Cullin the Board of Education enter into closed session at 8:25 p.m. for the purpose of the superintendent evaluation and NBEA Negotiations update.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Lane aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Miller aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
Motion Carried - 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Returned to Open Session – 9:34 p.m.

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the minutes from the closed session.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Lane aye, Miller aye
Motion Carried - 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Moved by Mabery, support by Leach the Board of Education approve the 2020 Superintendent Evaluation score at 93% for highly effective.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Cullin aye, Lane aye Mabery aye, Miller aye, Howell aye,
Motion Carried - 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education adjourn at 9:45 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Miller aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Lane aye Mabery aye
Motion Carried - 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

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

Student Report: Mr. Fish shared the student report.

Presentation –
Coach Jason Castle shared the accomplishments of the cross country team. He also introduced the 3 state qualifiers to the board of education.

David Geen from Sovita presented teachers Angela Grasik, Kirstin Fish and Carrie Wenta with the check from the grant that they won and also shared information regarding Sovita and their upcoming grants.

Comments from the Public: None

Break – 7:24 p.m.
Back in Session – 7:28 p.m.

Consent Agenda
Moved by Howell, supported by Leach the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of October 26, 2020 regular meeting minutes, review of October accounts payables in the amount of $671,486.75, review of October food service bills in the amount of $50,773.06, review of the October 2020 financial summary, acknowledge the resignation for retirement of elementary art teacher David Watson with regret and best wishes.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Lane aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent

Items for Discussion/Action
Moved by Cullin, supported by Lane the Board of Education approve the employment of Melissa Swoish as an Elementary Secretary.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Mabery aye, Lane aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent

Moved by Howell, supported by Leach the Board of Education acknowledge the review of the extended continuity of learning plan and attendance report for the month of September and October.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Leach aye, Lane aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent

Daniel Deshetsky arrived at 7:48 p.m.

Communications -
Mrs. White, Curriculum Director informed the board of the following:

- Survey for Virtual
- Shared that Barb Terauds received a grant

Mr. Fish, Superintendent informed the board of the following:

- Congratulated the board members for the election
- Discussed the non-homestead tax levy passing
- Addressed the special education bus concern
- Gave an update regarding
    - Covid Dashboard
    - Fencing
    - Teacher/Support Staff hazard pay
- Finance Committee Meeting – 11/20 at 7am
- Discussed the superintendent evaluation review process

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education adjourn at 8:50 pm
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Lane aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Lori Lane, Secretary