BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH BRANCH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER
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The regular meeting of the North Branch Board of Education was held virtually at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 11, 2021

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	
	Cheryl Howell, Treasurer	
	Cory Mabery, Vice President	
	Joshua Leach, Secretary	
	Brenden Miller, Trustee	
	Jason Cullin, Trustee	
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee	
Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operations & Technology
	Mark Brown	Tech Support Coordinator
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 0

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery to close nominations for President and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Daniel Deshetsky.
Roll Call Vote: Miller aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Moved by Cullin, supported by Howell to close nominations for Vice-President and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Cory Mabery.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Miller aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

7:06 – Miller left due to technical difficulties

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Mabery to close nominations for Treasurer and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Cheryl Howell.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Moved by Howell, supported by Cullin to close nominations for Secretary and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Joshua Leach.
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

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

Student Report: None

Presentation – None

Board Committee Reports - None

Comments from the Public - None

Consent Agenda -
Moved by Howell, supported by Deshetsky the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of December 14, 2020 regular meeting minutes, review of the December Accounts Payables in the amount of $697,767.49, Review of the December Food Service Bills in the amount of 30,090.31, reviewed the December Financial Report and acknowledge the resignation of Vicki Fritch with regret and best wishes.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Hoebeke aye, Leach aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action
Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve regular meeting dates for 2021 as presented and attached.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Leach the Board of Education adopt the 2021 district/superintend 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: Howell aye, Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Leach aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Cullin 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: Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Leach the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 High School Course Catalog.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education entertain the Second Reading and Adoption of North Branch Policies 6114 and 8450.05 as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

7:25 – Miller returned

Moved by Leach, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the Extended Continuity of Learning Plan for January 2021 and acknowledge the 2-way mentor attendance report for December 2020
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye, Miller aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education acknowledge the NBAS Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Training on Delivery, Access, and Use of Virtual Content.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Miller aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Leach, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the hire of Bridgette Kerr for the 2.5 hour lunch/recess aide at the Elementary School.
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Miller aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

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

- Interviewing 5 candidates for the Technology Support Position this week
- Reports at the next meeting:
    - New Virtual numbers
    - Bench Mark assessment

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

- Linda Hayes – Condolences
- NB High School Student Artist, Krista Arman, wins statewide SET SEG Holiday Card Contest
- Hi-Tec – Christmas Break Schedule
- Head Start successfully moved to the Quest building over the break
- Elementary Breakfast & Lunch Menu – free to all for the rest of the year
- Donation from Dean
- North Branch Football Playoffs
    - Mike Kohler clearing practice and game fields
    - Football practices held at Lapeer football field, Romeo and Genesee indoor facilities and Wesleyan Church
    - Al Margrif & Kristine Bickel – great job with rapid testing and preparation for playoffs

- Scrap Metal Check from 7 busses
- LCISD Common Calendar
- 2021-2022 – NBAS School Calendar

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

7:59 - Leach left meeting

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education adjourn at 8:01 pm
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Miller aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Josh Leach (Jan 26, 2021 13:31 EST)

Joshua Leach, Secretary