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, September 13, 2021 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 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present:	Daniel Deshetsky, President
	Cheryl Howell, Treasurer
	Cory Mabery, Vice President - Absent
	Joshua Leach, Secretary
	Jason Cullin, Trustee
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee
	Patrick Henne, Trustee

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Melissa Montgomery	Business Director
	Amber White	Curriculum
	Lori Wierbicki	Special Education Supervisor
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	John Sherman	High School Assistant Principal
	Dane Terauds	Ruth Fox Principal
	Bill Barkowska	Ruth Fox Assistant Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 22

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

Student Report – none

Presentation –
VIP Program – High School special education teacher Alyssa Welling & Amy Kirk shared information regarding the Vocational Independence Program for 11th & 12th grade students. This program coordinates with the following 8 local business – PMC, Deerfield Inn, The Red Barn, K & M International, Self-Serve Lumber, Bryans Market, North Branch Library and Hi-Tech to teach job skills.

Space Camp – Ruth Fox Middle School teacher Cindy Mitchell introduced the eight space camp winners from 20-21 school year. Each student shared a photo that they captured during the week of camp giving the board a snapshot of their experience. Mrs. Mitchell also shared that they received the Commander's Cup award and the Outstanding team award.

Board Committee Reports –

Finance Committee Meeting (Thursday, 9/9/2021)

Mrs Howell shared what was discussed at the Finance Committee Meeting:

- 2020-2021 Preliminary Audit Update
- Discussed the need for posting for a Full-time Maintenance position
- Discussed posting for RFMS/HS In-School Suspension Individual
- Discussed the Additional Instructional Time Grant Application
- Discussed Section 31o Grant Application
- Discussed ESSER III Equalization
- Discussed JUUL Litigation

Comments from the Public - none

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Leach supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the August 23, 2021 regular meeting minutes, review of the August Account Payables in the amount of $763,895.85 and review of the August Food Service Bills in the amount of $16,859.27.

Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Henne aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye

6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action -

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education acknowledge the district's 2021-2022 academic goals per Public Act 48 2021 as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Leach aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Henne aye, Howell aye

6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Cullin the Board of Education the 2021-2022 updated North Branch Area Schools Food Service Policy as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Henne aye

6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Communications -

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

- All Star Reading Night
- Presentation regarding MStep/PSAT/SAT

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

- EDU Staff (flyer in electronic folder)
- Communication - Lapeer County Community Foundation
- JUUL Litigation
- Posting for Elementary School Counselor – funded through 31o Grant

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the superintendent to post for a new counseling position within North Branch Schools.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Hoebeke aye, Henne aye, Cullin aye

6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

- Posting for full time maintenance position

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the superintendent to post for a new full-time position within North Branch Schools Grounds and Maintenance Department.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Leach aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

- Enrollment Report
- Facility Updates
- NBAS Hall of Fame – October 15
- Communication regarding mask requirements
- Free PPE supplies
- Middle School/High School Robotics
- Review of Alumni Dinner -Held this past Sunday
- Sept 27 BOE Meeting
    - Packet will be email on Wednesday, September 22

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

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Leach, supported Howell by the Board of Education adjourn at 9:34 pm
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye, Hoebeke aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Joshua Leach, Secretary