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, April 10, 2023 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	
	Patrick Henne, Treasurer	
	Cheryl Howell, Secretary	
	Joshua Leach, Trustee	
	Jason Cullin, Trustee	
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee	
Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Melissa Montgomery	Director of Finance & Human Resources
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operations & Facilities
	Mark Brown	Director of Technology
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 20

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

Student Report – None

Presentations –
Moved by Deshetsky, supported Mabery the Board of Education adopt the Varsity Girls' Basketball Resolution as presented and attached.
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Henne aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent- Motion Carried

Board Committee Report
Mr. Henne reviewed the minutes from the Curriculum Committee Meeting on April 3, 2023. The committee reviewed the following:

- 5 Year Curriculum Plans – Curriculum, Technology, Facilities
- Facility Update
    - HVAC at the High School

- Smart Labs at RFMS & Elementary
- Legislative and State Budget Update
- NBEA Negotiations Update
- Foods Service Equipment Purchases Update

Mr. Cullin reviewed the policies from the Policies Committee Meeting on April 10, 2023.

Comments from the Public – None

Consent Agenda -
Moved by Howell, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the March 13, 2023 regular meeting minutes, Review of the March Account Payables in the amount of $ 1,374,778.61, Review of the March Food Service Bills in the amount of $85,798.67, Reviewed the March Financial Report and Acknowledge the resignation for retirement of High School Assistant Principal, John Sherman and Acknowledge the resignation of Ruth Fox Teacher, Mathew Titus with regret and best wishes.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Leach aye, Howell aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –
Moved by Henne, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the E-Rate Network Upgrade Bid Proposal from Vector in the amount of $154,748.00 contingent upon E-Rate funding.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the 2015 debt retirement principal & interest payment in the amount of $1,865,750, the 2016 debt retirement principal & interest in the amount of $3,390,938.70 and the 2020 debt retirement interest payment in the amount of $81,204.93
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Leach aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education entertain the 1st reading of NB Board Policies – Vol. 37, NO. 2 – Spring 2023.
Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent

Comments from the Public – none

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Board Member Josh Leach, resigned from the board due to purchasing a home outside of North Branch District.

Break – 8:45 pm
Back in Session – 8:49 pm

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education enter into closed session at 8:49 pm. for the purpose of NBEA Negotiations & Superintendent Informal Update.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Return to Open Session – 9:50 pm

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

Moved by Henne, supported by Mabery the Board of Education adjourn at 9:52 pm
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Cullin aye, Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye,
6 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary