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, July 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
	Jason Cullin, Trustee - absent
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee - absent
	Andrew Hebberd, Trustee

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Melissa Montgomery	Director of Finance & Human Resources
	Nik Hopp	Elementary Assistant Principal
	Mark Brown	Director of Technology
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 7

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

Student Report – None

Presentations
Annual Smart Lab Conference Highlights – Nolan Kolacz & Layne Brown
Amber introduced Nolan Kolacz & Layne Brown, facilitators of the Smart Labs. A video was played that was created in one of our Smart Labs regarding the conference and entertained questions from the board.

Board Committee Report – none
Comments from the Public – none

Consent Agenda -
Moved by Mabery, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the June 26, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes, review the June Account payables in the amount of $873,836.22, review the June Food Service Bills in the amount of $70,287.09 and acknowledge the resignation of Trisha Colgan, paraprofessional at NB Elementary with regret and best wishes.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Hebberd aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –

Moved by Howell, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the employment of Autumn Deshetsky as a 3rd grade teacher at NB Elementary upon verification of valid teaching certificate.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky - abstain
4 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent, 1 abstain – Motion Carried

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the employment of Renee' Kage as a 1st grade teacher at NB Elementary upon verification of valid teaching certificate.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Henne aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve overnight trip to Huntsville, Alabama for Space Camp – Summer of 2024
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Henne aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the School District depositories to be Independent Bank East Michigan - North Branch, ChoiceOne Bank, Tri-County Bank, Michigan Liquid Asset Fund Plus and PNC Bank as their 2023-2024 Depositories.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Henne aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Hebberd the North Branch Board of Education approve the designation of Rhoda Lucia as school election assistant & recording secretary for 2023-2024 school year.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the 2023-2024 proposed fees and rental charges for the district facilities and grounds as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Henne aye, Hebberd aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Hebberd the North Branch Board of Education acknowledge the contract with the Firm of Anderson, Tuckey, Berhardt, & Doran as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye,
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the North Branch Board of Education approve the 2023 Tax Rate Request form as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Howell aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Mabery the North Branch Board of Education approve the 2023-2024 Parent/Student Handbooks for the North Branch High School, Quest High School, Ruth Fox Middle School, North Branch Elementary
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the North Branch Board of Education adopt the 2023-2024 NBAS Employee Handbook as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Henne aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye,
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Howell the North Branch Board of Education approve the 2023 – 2024 District Improvement Plan.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Henne aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the North Branch Board of Education approve the School Bond Loan Annual Application Resolution.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Hebberd aye, Mabery aye, Henne aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the North Branch Board of Education cancel the July 24, 2023 Board of Education Meeting.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hebberd aye, Henne aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Mabery the Board of Education adjourn at 8:18 pm
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye, Henne aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary