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, August 14, 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 - absent
	Cheryl Howell, Secretary
	Jason Cullin, Trustee
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee
	Andrew Hebberd, 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
	Dane Terauds	Ruth Fox Middle School
	Theresa Rae	Elementary School Principal
	Nik Hopp	Elementary School Assistant Principal
	Heather Fantin	Elementary School Dean of Students
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operations & Facilities
	Mark Brown	Director of Technology
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 5

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

Student Report – None

Presentations

Heather Fantin, North Branch Elementary Dean of Students introduced Mickey the new therapy dog. She shared the process of how Mickey was chosen to join the district and the training he has been through.

Board Committee Report – none
Comments from the Public – none

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Howell, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the July 24, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes, review of the July Account Payables in

the amount of $1,083,248.80, review of the July food service bills in the amount of $96.94, acknowledge the resignation of Elementary teacher, Carrie Hatfield, Acknowledge the resignation of Ruth Fox Middle School Teacher, Alex Cammarata, acknowledge the resignation of Ruth Fox Middle School Teacher Lindsay Travis and acknowledge the resignation Elementay teacher, Krystal Mossner with regret and best wishes.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –
Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the employment of Daniel Chisholm as a 5th grade ELA teacher at Ruth Fox Middle School effective with the 2023-2024 school year.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Cullin aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the employment of Jordan Morrow as a 7th grade ELA teacher at Ruth Fox Middle School effective with the 2023-2024 school year.
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Hebberd aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Hoebeke the Board of Education approve the employment of Alexis Caringi as a 6-hour Elementary secretary effective with the 2023-2024 school year.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Mabery aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the employment of Mitchell Beatty as a 7th grade Social Studies teacher at Ruth Fox Middle School upon verification of valid teaching certificate.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the employment of Carrie Porter as a 2.5-hour aide at the Elementary effective with the 2023-2024 school year.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Hebberd aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Cullin, supported by Hoebeke the Board of Education approve the employment of Rebecca Nerkowski as a 2.5-hour aide at the Elementary effective with the 2023-2024 school year.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the MHSAA Hockey Cooperative Agreement.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the 2023-2024 Parent and Student Athletic Handbook.
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery by the Board of Education adjourn at 8: 22 pm
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Hebberd aye, 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary