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 25, 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 7:00 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 - Absent
	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 Brown	Director of Technology
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 0

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

Student Report – North Branch Junior, Nicholas Caldwell reported the following:

- Drama Department preparing for their next Performance – "Night at the Wax Museum"
- Guidance Office hosted their annual New Student Lunch
- "The Best Seat in the House" Fundraiser – Tickets $5 and winner receives premium parking/seats and $20 worth of concessions, a NB tumbler, blanket and free admission to the Homecoming game
- Esports program is up and running
- Student Council is gearing up for Homecoming – Barbie through the decades
- NHS hosted their induction ceremony last Wednesday. 16 new members were inducted
- Equestrian Team wrapped up their season in 3rd place but didn't qualify for regionals
- There is a door decorating contest prepping for College Application Month – Winner will receive donuts.
- North Branch Band is having their annual pie sale
- Mrs. Wenta's environmental class has begun collecting recycling again – the have recycled 38, 650 lbs. of paper in 12 years and 1100 lbs. of plastic in 8 years. Saving trees, oil, energy, landfill space, water and release of pollutants in the process.

Presentations – District Spring Testing Data

Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Amber White reviewed all of our Spring Testing achievement and demographics.

Board Committee Report – none

Comments from the Public – none

Consent Agenda -
Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the September 11, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Hebberd aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –
Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve the employment of Kaylee Rives as a 7-hour paraprofessional at the Elementary School.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Hoebeke the Board of Education approve the 2023 – 2024 Quest Handbook.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Henne aye, Hebberd aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Mabery the Board of Education acknowledge the continuity of services plan of the section 11T equalization funds.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Henne aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Comments from the Public – none

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Mr. Fish gave his informal update to the board.

Moved by Henne, supported by Cullin the Board of Education adjourn at 9:14 pm
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye
aye, nay, absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary