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 23, 2024 in the boardroom 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
Maria Hoebeke, Trustee – arrived at 7:03 p.m.
Andrew Hebberd, Trustee -- absent

Others Present:		
	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Melissa Montgomery	Director of Finance & Human Resources
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Mark Brown	Director of Technology
	Doug Lindsay	North Branch High School Principal

Community Members – 0

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

Student Report – Student informed the Board of student activities at NBHS.

Presentations - High School Garden Club Tour
National Merit Semi-Finalist, Samantha Wagner recognized
Teachers Lyndsay Young, Sarah Nies and Mariah Studer gave a presentation on experience at Chippewa River Writing Project over Summer.
Amber White presented District Spring Testing Data

Board Committee Reports – Finance Committee Meeting (September 18, 2024)

Comments from the Public – relating to agenda items -- none

Consent Agenda -
Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the North Branch Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the September 10, 2024 Special Meeting minutes, review of the August Accounts Payables in the amount of $888, 113.23 and review of the August Food Service Bills in the amount of $76,097.97 as presented
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –
Moved by Henne, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the Southwest Solutions Group Inc. proposal to purchase music storage cabinets in the amount of $41,685 for the Ruth Fox Middle School band room as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the Axis Camera Project proposal for the purchase of district security cameras not to exceed $220,000 as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the employment of Mark Hiltunen to fill the district wide support position.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Henne aye, Howell 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.

Superintendent Jim Fish remained in Open Session to provide a quarterly board update

Moved by Henne, supported by Mabery the Board of Education adjourned at 9:05 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary