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, November 11, 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 7:00 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
	Jason Cullin, Trustee
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee
	Andrew Hebberd, Trustee

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Melissa Montgomery	Director of Finance & Human Resources
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Doug Lindsay	North Branch High School Principal
	Dane Terauds	Ruth Fox Middle School Principal
	Theresa Rae	North Branch Elementary Principal

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

Student Report – Nicholas Caldwell, 12th Grader, gave report on high school student activities

Presentations – Lapeer Conservation District Poster Contest Winners

Board Committee Reports – Finance Committee Meeting (11/07/2024)

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

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Mabery, supported by Hebberd the North Branch Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the October 28, 2024 regular meeting minutes, review of the October Account Payables in the amount of $1,202,636.94, review of the October Food Service bills in the amount of $134,938.60, review of the October Financial Update and acknowledge the resignation for retirement of Linda Swoish, North Branch Elementary Literacy Paraprofessional with regrets and best wishes as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye

7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –
Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the LCISD Parent Advisory Committee Member, Katie Bular, as presented
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the employment of Shane Wachowicz as a North Branch High School Electives Teacher
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the overnight North Branch High School senior trip in May 2025 as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Deshetsky the Board of Education acknowledge the 2023-2024 audit as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Cullin the Board of Education entertain the 2nd reading and adoption of Neola Update 39-1 and Edgar/UGG Revisions Fall 2024 as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Mabery the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Authorizing Issuance and Delegating the Sale of NBAS 2025 Refunding Bonds as presented
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Hoebeke the Board of Education approve the Early Childhood & Child Care Programs Coordinator position as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Communications – NBE Principal and RFMS Principal gave updates on student activities and events. Superintendent and Director of Curriculum and Instruction gave district updates.

Comments from the Public – none

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Meeting break at 8:17pm

Back in session at 8:21pm

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Henne the Board of Education enter into closed session at 8:22pm for the purpose of reviewing the Superintendent evaluation process.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

The board returned to open session at 8:33 p.m.

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

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the Superintendent's request to be evaluation biennially with the next evaluation occurring in December 2025 as allowed under MCL 380.1249 and MCL 380.1249b and maximizing contract addendum item 3, paragraph 4.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education adjourned at 8:39 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary