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, January 27, 2025 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 -- absent
Cheryl Howell, Secretary -- absent
Jason Cullin, Trustee
Maria Hoebeke, Trustee -- absent
Andrew Hebberd, Trustee

Others Present:		
	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum & Instruction
	Doug Lindsay	North Branch High School Principal
	Dane Terauds	Ruth Fox Middle School Principal

Community Members – 25

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the North Branch Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Student Report – none

Presentations –
Board Appreciation
Band Presentation

Board Committee Reports – Long Range Facility Planning Committee Meeting – Cory Mabery updated the Board of Education on the long range facility planning committee meeting that was held on January 20, 2025

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

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Deshetsky the North Branch Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the January 13, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, acknowledge the rescinded resignation of Elizabeth Grzecki, Ruth Fox Middle School teacher, acknowledge the resignation for retirement of Tracy Sutton, Ruth Fox Middle School teacher, with regrets and best wishes, acknowledge the resignation of Danielle Fritch, North Branch Elementary paraprofessional, and acknowledge the resignation of Sarah Thomas, Ruth Fox Middle School paraprofessional as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Hebberd aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –
Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 North Branch High School Course Catalog as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve the request to relinquish funds in the amount of $238 for Title III, Part A – English Learners as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Hebberd aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Communications – RFMS Principal, high school 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 8:04 p.m.

Back in session at 8:08 p.m.

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Mabery the Board of Education enter into closed session at 8:08 p.m. for the purpose of NBEA negotiations discussion.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

The board returned to open session at 8:45 p.m.

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve the minutes from the closed session.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Hebberd aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education adjourn at 8:50 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Hebberd aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary