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 24, 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
	Cheryl Howell, Secretary
	Jason Cullin, Trustee
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee – arrived at 7:03 p.m.
	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

Community Members – 25

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

Student Report -- none

Presentations
Varsity Volleyball Team Recognition
Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Mabery the North Branch Board of Education adopt the Varsity Volleyball Resolution as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Distinguished Service Award – Kristina LaBarge

Board Committee Reports – none

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

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Howell, supported by Henne the North Branch Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the November 10, 2025 regular meeting minutes, acknowledge the

resignations of Abbie Tait, North Branch Elementary Aide/Cashier and Flora Magdelena, North Branch High School Aide/Cashier as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye Mabery aye,
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –
Moved by Henne, supported by Cullin the North Branch Board of Education approve the 2026-2027 North Branch High School Course Catalog as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Hoebeke the Board of Education approve the North Branch High School Drama program's overnight trip to Bay City, Michigan to participate in the Mid-Michigan Theatre Arts Festival in January 2026 as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve to relinquish funds in the amount of $850 of Title III, Part A – English Learners as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve and adopt the 31aa Funding Resolution D: Opt-In Subject to Rescission as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Mabery aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Communications – 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.

Closed Session –no closed session; remained in open session to discuss Dean Contract status and Superintendent self-evaluation.

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Henne aye, Hebberd aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye
7 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary