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, May 11, 2026 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 -absent
	Cheryl Howell, Secretary
	Jason Cullin, Trustee
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee - absent
	Andrew Hebberd, Trustee -- absent

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

Community Members – 9

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
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Student Report – Josie Greschaw, High School Senior, gave final report of High School updates and student activities.

Presentations – The district Literacy Coaches presented to the board.

Board Committee Reports – Finance Committee meeting was held on May 1, 2026. Daniel Deshetsky, Finance Committee Chairperson, updated the board on the financial topics that were discussed at the committee meeting

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

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Cullin the North Branch Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the April 27, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, review of the April Account Payables in the amount of $1,234,216.16, review of the April Food Service bills in the amount of $92,400.97, and review of the April Financial Report, and acknowledge the resignation of Brooke Martin, Assistant Principal at North Branch High School.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the employment of Alisa Fielding as a Special Education Teacher at Ruth Fox Middle School effective with the 2026-2027 school year.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the LCISD Parent Advisory Committee Member, Rebecca Wildey, as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education entertain the 2nd reading of and adopt the NB Board Policies – Volume 40, No. 2 as presented and attached.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye Deshetsky aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Cullin the Board of Education hereby certifies that the graduation class of 2026 has met all requirements for graduation as set forth by the State of Michigan and therefore approves each student for graduation.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Cullin, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the probation and tenure as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve NBAS Organizational Chart as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the NBAS Administrative and Non-Administrative Salary Index as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery supported by Deshetsky the Board of Education approve the Administrative and Non-Administrative Contracts as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
4 aye, 0 nay, 3 absent – Motion Carried

Communications – The North Branch High School Principal gave updates about end of year activities. The Director of Finance and Human Resources, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, and the Superintendent gave updates as well.

Comments from the Public – The public made comments.

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education adjourn at 8:31 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary