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, June 22, 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 7:00 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 -- absent	
	Maria Hoebeke, Trustee—arrived at 7:17pm	
	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 Henne, supported by Howell, the North Branch Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Henne aye, Hebberd aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Student Report – none

Presentations – The North Branch Junior Equestrian Team – Marie Curell introduced the equestrian team and they spoke about their performances and achievements.

Board Committee Reports -- Finance Committee Meeting held on June 18, 2026 -- Daniel Deshetsky provided updates.

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

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Mabery, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the June 8, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye
5 aye, 0 nay, 2 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the employment of Heather Hundt as an Assistant Principal at Ruth Fox Middle School.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Hebberd aye, Henne aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Henne the Board of Education approve the employment of Amy Montgomery as a Business Office Administrative Assistant at the North Branch Educational Services Center.
Roll Call Vote: Henne aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the 2026-2027 8th grade Washington DC trip as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hebberd aye, Henne aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Hebberd, supported by Hoebeke the Board of Education approve the overnight trip to Chicago, Illinois on October 2, 2026 for the North Branch Varsity Volleyball team as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Henne aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hebberd aye,
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve and adopt the General Appropriations Budget Amendment #2 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hebberd aye,
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Henne, supported by Hebberd the Board of Education approve and adopt the General Appropriations Budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hebberd aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky supported by Mabery the Board of Education acknowledge and adopt the Resolution to comply with the settlement terms of Batista v Office of Retirement Services and approve the School District Administrator Salary Schedule as presented and attached.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Henne aye, Hoebeke aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hebberd aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Communications – The High School Principal, Director of Curriculum and Instruction and Superintendent gave updates.

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The Board Members made comments.

Moved by Mabery, supported by Henne the Board of Education adjourn at 8:45 p.m.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, , Mabery aye, Howell aye, Henne aye, Hebberd aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Cheryl Howell

Cheryl Howell, Secretary