

**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 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 10, 2022 in the board room located in the North Branch Educational Services Center, 6655 Jefferson, North Branch, Michigan.

President Deshetsky called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present: Daniel Deshetsky, President
 Cheryl Howell, Treasurer
 Cory Mabery, Vice President
 Joshua Leach, Secretary
 Jason Cullin, Trustee
 Maria Hoebeke, Trustee
 Patrick Henne, Trustee - absent

Others Present:	James D. Fish	Superintendent
	Amber White	Director of Curriculum and Instruction
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	Dane Terauds	Ruth Fox Middle School Principal
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary

Community Members – 5

Election of Officers

Cory Mabery nominated Daniel Deshetsky for President

Moved by Howell, supported by Mabery to close nominations for President and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Daniel Deshetsky.

Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Cheryl Howell nominated Cory Mabery for Vice-President

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell to close nominations for Vice-President and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Cory Mabery.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Cory Mabery nominated Cheryl Howell for Treasurer

Moved by Mabery, supported by Deshetsky to close nominations for Treasurer and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Cheryl Howell.

Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Jason Cullin nominated Joshua Leach for Secretary

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell to close nominations for Secretary and that a unanimous ballot is cast for Joshua Leach.

Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Leach aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Student Report –

Ethan Davis, Student Representative, informed the board of the following:

- Exams at the High School – January 20 & January 21
- Snow coming – February 25 / Dance – February 26
- Prom – Mystery Theme – April 23
- Blood Drive – Wednesday, January 12
- Drama – Winter One Acts – January 20, 21 and 22
- Power Lifting had a great meet – JV Women took 3rd, JV Men took 5th, Varsity Men took 4th
- Other winter sports are in full swing - Bowling, Basketball & Competitive Cheer going strong

Presentation – none

Board Committee Reports - none

Comments from the Public - none

Consent Agenda -

Moved by Howell, supported by Leach the Board of Education approve the consent agenda including the approval of the December 13, 2021 regular meeting minutes, review of the December accounts payables in the amount of \$551,867.19, review of the December Food Service Bills in the amount of \$54,394.88, review of the December financial report and acknowledge the resignation of the High School teacher, Melisa Ferguson with regret and best wishes .

Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye, Howell aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Items for Discussion/Action –

Moved by Cullin, supported by Mabery the Board of Education approve the regular meeting dates for 2022 as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell supported by Mabery the Board of Education adopt the 2022 District/Superintendent shared goals as stated:

1) North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will teach, measure, and continuously improve instruction aligned with state standards for increased student achievement and College and Career readiness.

2) North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will evaluate and enhance opportunities for students by adopting and executing a budget that prioritizes teaching and learning, in a safe environment while improving the district's financial stability.

3) North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will validate the importance of every staff member as critical to the success of the district and will maintain partnerships of integrity and trust within the North Branch Community.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Cullin the Board of Education approve the designation of Thrun Law Firm for the district's legal counsel, the firm of Taylor, Butterfield, Howell, Churchill, & Garner of Lapeer for all real estate transactions and other local matters.

Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Leach aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Howell, supported by Howell the Board of Education adopt the resolution expressing support of pre-labor day start as presented and attached.

Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye, Leach aye, Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the Early College Completion Course as presented

Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye, Leach aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education approve the 2022 – 2023 North Branch High School Course Catalog Changes as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Leach aye, Deshetsky aye, Cullin aye, Howell aye, Mabery aye, Hoebeke aye 6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Communications -

Mr. Hiltunen, High School Principal, informed the board of the following:

- Skylert Notifications
- Student-Directed One-Act Plays
- School Website/Newsletters
- Senior Class Update
- Legal Names for Diplomas
- Announcement & Cap & Gown Orders
- Local Scholarships
- Announcement Delivery
- National Honor Society
- Michigan High School Powerlifting Association Regional Competition
- Counselor's Corner
 - Choosing Classes for Next year
 - FAFSA Time
 - Grants/Scholarships
- Sophomores to learn more about Ed-Tech
- Parents, teens need to explore options together
- Exam Schedule

Mr. Terauds, Ruth Fox Principal, informed the board of the following:

- Parent Survey
- Skyward Alerts / Inclement Weather Notices
- School Safety

- Hat Day – 1/14
- Family Discussions
- Old Fashioned Family Christmas – Update
- Make Every Day Count
- 5th/6th Grade Recess
- Washington DC Update
- Yearbooks – order before 1/31/2022
- January – Core Value – Self Control
- Student Pick-Up & Drop-Off
- Classroom Spotlight

Mrs. Rae, Elementary Principal, informed the board of the following:

- Lost & Found
- LifeChanger of the Year Nominee Patty Laur
- Family Access Help
- 4th Grade Holiday Performance
- Drop off/Pick up reminders
- Specials
- Update Contact Information
- January's Core Essential Value – Self -Control
- Popcorn Days
- Upcoming Important Dates
- NBE STEAM Night
- Curriculum Corner
- Food Service
- Recess Reminders
- Kids Helping Kids

Mrs. White, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, informed the board of the following:

- Consolidated Application (Title I, II, IV)
- Awarded \$45,000 – L & L Grant
- STEM Night Coming up
- Snow Day workshops for teachers
- Curriculum Meeting coming soon
- DPPD – Jan 17 & Feb 21

Mr. Fish, Superintendent, informed the board of the following:

- MASB Organizational Meetings FAQ
- Lapeer County Covid Update
- Patty Laur – Life Changer of the year nominee
- Staff Fitness Center
 - Reopened – Tuesday – Jan 4
 - Yoga classes begin in February
- Christmas giving update
- FABS donation
- ESSER III funding community survey results
- Facility Update
- FEMA Grant update
- NBAS Endowment fund statement (LCCF)
- District Wide Safety Update

- January 12, 2022 Safety Committee Meeting 4-5 pm NBE Media Center
- January 17, 2022 Community Safety Forum 6-7 pm HS Auditorium
- Article on Michigan House forming Safety task force

Comments from the Public – None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education, at the request of the superintendent, enter into closed session at 7:22 pm. to consider the expulsion of a student.
Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye, Hoebeke aye, Mabery aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Returned to Open Session – 7:52 pm

Moved by Mabery, supported by Leach the Board of Education approved the minutes of the closed session.
Roll Call Vote: Cullin aye, Mabery aye Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Leach aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Howell the Board of Education adopts the resolution to expel as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Leach aye, Cullin aye, Hoebeke aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Break – 7:54 pm
 Back in Session – 7:58

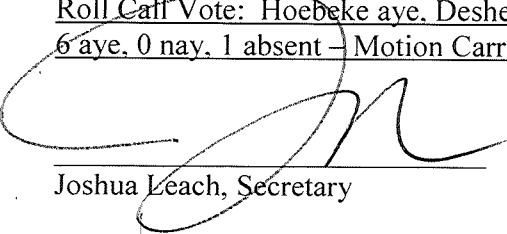
Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Leach the Board of Education enter into closed session at 8:00 pm. for the purpose of superintendent evaluation.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye, Cullin aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Returned to Open Session – 8:27 pm

Moved by Mabery, supported by Cullen the Board of Education approved the minutes of the closed session.
Roll Call Vote: Mabery aye Cullin aye, Howell aye, Leach aye, Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye,
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Howell the Board of Education adopt the year end Superintendent evaluation at 92%, which is highly effective.
Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Cullin aye, Mabery aye, Deshetsky aye, Hoebeke aye, Leach
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried

Moved by Mabery, supported by Leach the Board of Education adjourn at 8:32 pm
Roll Call Vote: Hoebeke aye, Deshetsky aye, Howell aye, Cullin aye, Leach aye, Mabery aye
6 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent – Motion Carried


 Joshua Leach, Secretary