BOARD OF EDUCATION NORTH BRANCH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER 6655 JEFFERSON, PO BOX 3620 NORTH BRANCH, MICHIGAN 48461-3620

The regular meeting of the North Branch Board of Education was held 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 2016 in the board room located in the North Branch Educational Services Center, 6655 Jefferson, North Branch, Michigan.

President Mabery called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present:

Members Present: Cory Mabery, President

Cheryl Howell, Vice-President Melissa Schank, Secretary Daniel Deshetsky, Trustee Tom Nellenbach, Trustee

Absent: Larry Mabery, Trustee

Others Present: James D. Fish Superintendent

Jeff Drayton Director of Operations & Technology

Mark Hiltunen High School Principal

Cindy Howe Middle School/Ruth Fox Principal

Greg Matheson Elementary Principal
Dane Terauds Elementary Vice Principal
Amber White Director of Curriculum
Rhoda Lucia Recording Secretary

Community Members - 34

Moved by Schank, support by Howell the Board of Education approve the agenda as amended. Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Deshetsky aye, C. Mabery aye, Nellenbach aye, Schank aye, 5 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent - Motion Carried

Communications -

Student Representative – freshman, Hannah Gipson reported that:

- student council is doing a peanut butter and jelly food drive
- working on the collegiate breakfast
- attending a leadership conference
- Inducted 43 National Honor Society Members that will do 1400 hours of community service over the next 2 years,
- Invited the Board to the upcoming play

Principal Reports – The board was reminded that the principal reports would be in our new academic e-magazine and asked questions of the principals.

Presentations:

Cross Country State Qualifiers – Mr. Fish thanked Mr. Haney for his time and efforts in rebuilding the cross country team. Mr. Haney introduced Austin Pung and Heather Czarnecki our cross country state qualifiers. Both students broke their own personal best records and Heather is now the 4th fastest Lady Bronco with the time of 20:31.9.

Alliance Hockey Team – Tom Ferreri, coach of the Alliance Hockey Team explained that his team is a co-op between North Branch, Lakeville, Goodrich, Imlay City and Almont for students 9th – 12 grades. He also shared that both goal tenders for the Alliance team are from North Branch and is very proud of North Branch students for not only their dedication to the team but the excellent character and leadership that they display.

K & M - Good Neighbor Award – Although K & M couldn't attend, Jeff Drayton spoke of the company and the generosity in sharing their equipment, all the help and advice they have provided for absolutely no charge and that is why they were recognized for the "Good Neighbor" award.

Anti-Bullying Concert – Patty Laur introduced Stacy Manzanares from The Dance Place, Ltd in Waterford and the dancers Alessandra, McKenna, Maria, Miranda, Sabrina, Marina, Kendal, Taylor and Sydney. Mrs. Manzanares explained the girls will be preforming a small section of a 13 min anti-bullying concert that they perform at no cost to schools in the area. Mrs. Manzanares went into detail about the concert and why her dance company offers this. The team then preformed and entertained questions from the board.

Technology Update— Mark Brown shared the technology updates that have been done in the buildings and also that there be having a technology update committee meeting on November 22 at 4pm to discuss and set up a timeline for technology that needs to be repaired or replaced.

Seesaw- A student Learning Digital Portfolio – Ruth Fox teachers - Mrs. Lewis, Mr. Withey, Mrs. Hopp, Mrs. Schaller & Mrs. Mitchell explained the SeeSaw app to the board and introduced North Branch Students Maverick Ludwig, Landen Swoish, Will Damaska, Olivia Gyomory, McKenzie Nowak, Natasha Bickel and Ethan Wenta and allowed them to show the board how the app worked. After the students had time to share they entertained questions from the board.

Curriculum Update – Amber White requested that the principals share information on their PD day's with the board. Each principal shared a little about the presenters, what the focus was on, and also thanked Mrs. White for her amazing efforts in making this day such a success for each building. Mrs. White then shared the importance of not only focusing on student achievement but the importance of teacher's growth. She shared many of the amazing things our teacher are accomplishing not only in North Branch but also collaborating with other districts. The district and building report cards will be coming out soon which she will share at a later date.

Public Comment: None

Consent Agenda

Moved by Howell, supported by Deshetsky the Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda including the October 24, 2016 regular meeting minutes, October accounts payable in the amount of \$507,926.18, October Food Service Bills in the amount of \$35,055.66 and acknowledge the resignation of Jane Swoish for retirement purposes with regret and best wishes.

Roll Call Vote: Deshetsky aye, aye, Nellenbach aye, Howell aye, C. Mabery aye, Schank aye 5 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Items for Discussion

Moved by Schank, Support by Howell the Board of Education approve a new position for a 4 hour Secretarial position at the Elementary Building.

Roll Call Vote: Howell aye, Nellenbach aye, C. Mabery aye, Schank aye, Deshetsky aye, 5 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent

Review Board of Education Candidates Applications – The board had discussion on the details of the upcoming interviews for the open seat on the board.

Other Business - None

Comments from the Public - None

Comments from Board Members – The board members made comments.

Moved by Schank, support by Howell that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: C. Mabery aye, Howell aye, Schank aye, Deshetsky aye, Nellenbach aye 5 aye, 0 nay, 1 absent - Motion Carried

Melissa Schank, Secretary