

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NORTH BRANCH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER  
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The regular meeting of the North Branch Board of Education was held 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 25, 2014 in the board room located in the North Branch Educational Services Center, 6655 Jefferson, North Branch, Michigan.

President Clark called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call indicated the following Board members present: Rosann Clark, Cathy Severance, Cory Mabery , Daniel Deshetsky, Mike Snoblen, Doug Meiburg and Melissa Schank

Others Present:	Thomas A. English	Superintendent
	Piero Basile	Comptroller
	Rhoda Lucia	Recording Secretary
	Angela Martin	Ruth Fox Interim Principal
	Cindy Howe	Middle School Principal
	Mark Hiltunen	High School Principal
	Greg Matheson	Elementary Principal
	Jeff Drayton	Director of Operations & Technology
	Jim Fish	Athletic Director

**Agenda**

Moved by Mabery, supported by Schank that the Board of Education approves the agenda as presented.

Roll call vote: Clark aye, Mabery aye, Severance aye, Deshetsky aye, Snoblen aye, Meiburg aye, Schank aye.

Motion Carried.

**Public Comment**

Debbie Hanna – regarding assessments

**Consent Agenda**

Moved by Meiburg, supported by Snoblen that the Board of Education has received and reviewed information for the consent agenda and hereby approves the consent agenda that includes minutes from the August 11, 2014 regular meeting, and acknowledges with regret and best wishes the resignations of Ruth Fox Principal Anne Wood with regrets and best wishes.

Roll call vote: Severance aye, Clark aye, Mabery aye, Snoblen yea, Deshetsky yea, Schank yea, Meiburg yea. Motion carried.

**Items for Action**

Moved by Deshetsky, supported by Severance that the Board of Education approve the superintendent's recommendation to employ Erica Zwolensky at the start of the 2014-2015 school year.

Role call vote: Snoblen aye, Severance aye, Deshetsky aye, Schank aye, Meiburg, nay, Clark aye, Mabery aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by Severance, supported by Snoblen that the Board of Education approve the superintendent's recommendation to employ Jessica Wierbicki at the start of the 2014-2015 school year.

Roll call vote: Meiburg nay, Snoblen aye, Deshetsky aye, Severance aye, Mabery aye, Clark aye, Schank aye Motion Carried.

Moved by Clark, supported by Mabery that the Board of Education approve the superintendent's recommendation to employ Kaitlyn Wildey at the start of the 2014-2015 school year.

Roll call vote: Mabery aye, Meiburg nay, Deshetsky aye, Severance aye, Schank aye, Clark aye, Snoblen aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by Snoblen, supported by Mabery that the Board of Education approve the superintendent's recommendation to employ Michelle Duckert at the start of the 2014-2015 school year.

Roll call vote: Deshetsky aye, Clark aye, Schank aye, Meiburg nay, Snoblen aye, Severance aye, Mabery aye.

Moved by Clark, supported by Schank that the Board of Education approve the superintendent's recommendation to employ Angela Martin as the Interim Principal of the Ruth Fox Elementary.

Roll call vote: Snoblen aye, Mabery aye, Clark aye, Deshetsky aye, Severance aye, Meiburg nay, Schank aye.

Short Recess 8:26

Back in Session 8:32

### **Future Action**

The Board decided to consider the Management Consultant at the next meeting.

Moved by Mabery, supported by Schank that the Board of Education authorize Mr. English to enter into a contract not to exceed \$37,000 for a police liaison the Village of North Bracnh Police Department with the understanding that the contract can be terminated at any time.

Roll call vote: Schank aye, Snoblen nay, Severance aye, Clark aye, Meiburg aye, Deshetsky aye, Mabery aye. Motion Carried.

### **Public Comment**

William Osbourn- regarding police liaison services

Cheryl Howell – inquired about the Management Consultant fees

Michelle Perry & Debbie Hanna – expressed appreciation for hiring the police liaison officer

### **Board Comment**

**Clark-** Inquired about the epi pen training

**Mabery** – Mentioned the August 26 Pep Rally from 7 – 8 & the ice bucket challenge

**Schank** – Disappointed in no freshman football due to low freshman interest.

**Clark** – The board realized they missed #13 Items for Discussion and decided to reinstate the curriculum committee. Mabery, Shank & Meiburg volunteered

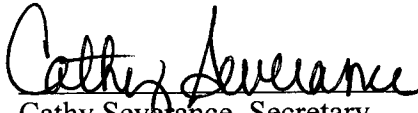
**Deshetsky** – volunteered to double check bus lists and thanked Anne Wood for 18 years of service to NB Schools

**English** – Explained that an employee has purchased a hybrid vehicle that may be plugged into district electrical receptacles to recharge and that the employee will pay the district \$.11 per KWH while the district pays \$.078 per KWH.

**Meiburg** – ~~Would like the board to get their financial house in order and thinks we should strive towards \$3.9 million fund balance and thanked the prospective board members for being here.~~ *change below*

Moved by Snoblen, supported by Schank that the Board of Education meeting adjourns at 9:46 p.m.

Roll call vote: Severance aye, Mabery aye, Clark aye, Schank aye, Deshetsky aye, Meiburg aye and Snoblen aye. Motion carried.

  
Cathy Severance, Secretary

*Meiburg - Would like <sup>to help</sup> the board gets financial house in order.  
We should think of our fund balance as \$-3.9 million rather  
than +100,000 since we just borrowed \$4 million at the  
previous meeting (2 weeks ago).*