

Nova High School



SCHOOL ADVISORY FORUM

Monday, March 30, 2026

Minutes

- I. Welcome: Mrs. Relyea - **6:59 p.m.**
- II. Adopt SAF February Meeting Minutes: Mrs. Relyea
 - i. Mr. Thompson moved to adopt the SAF February Meeting Minutes. Ms. Carpenter seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- III. District & Central Regional Updates: Mrs. Relyea
 - i. Attendance worries and the challenges at the High School level. Current attendance for the district is approx. 92.5%, 18 days missed is 90%. Concerns and debate regarding Early release Days and their impact on learning and attendance. Discussion regarding promoting and awarding perfect attendance and whether it incentivizes students to attend school sick. Equity concerns, some students miss days due to chronic illness and doctor appointments and the emotional impact on students when they miss important life and family events to not miss a day of school to maintain their perfect attendance. Counterpoint, to some family's perfect attendance is very meaningful and for some students this may be the only award they receive. Debate and interest to include Improved and/or Strong attendance in the awards.
 - ii. Two Calendar options will be presented to the Board yearly. Ongoing discussion whether to maintain a full week for Thanksgiving and timing semester ends with breaks.
- IV. SAF 2026/27 Leadership:
 - i. Discussion requesting those interested in running for SAF Chair and Vice Chair to please inquire with any current SAC or SAF Chair or Vice Chair.
- V. Adjournment: Mr. Laverde moved to adjourn at **7:09 p.m.** Mr. Thompson seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**