

Nova High School



SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Monday, December 1, 2025

Minutes

- I. Welcome: Ms. Ramsay - **5:34 p.m.**
- II. Attendance: Ms. Ramsay
 - i. 25 out of 33 members present – Quorum established.
- III. Adopt October Meeting Minutes: Ms. Ramsay
 - i. Mr. Thompson moved to accept the October Meeting Minutes. Ms. Davis-Greenfield seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- IV. Florida School Recognition Funds (A+ Funds)
 - i. Committee Report: Dr. Gutzmore

Dr. Gutzmore presented an overview of the A+ funds committee meeting report. Committee members met to review the numbers and create a proposal for the distribution of the A+ funds. The total funds available for distribution were significantly reduced, which will affect the total monies received by each group. The committee categorized the staff and faculty for the year in question into the following categories/groups. The groups that are a part of the proposal are as follows:

 - Group A: School
 - Group B: Instructional personnel, Admin, Social Workers
 - Group C: Clerical, Security, Facilities, Classroom Monitors
 - Group D: Cafeteria Workers

The committee created a proposal for the distribution of the A+ funds that will be presented to the SAC members for a vote: **\$5000 dollars to be distributed to Group A**. The school will use the monies for non-recurring expenditures for educational equipment and materials (technology) and hiring temporary personnel to assist in maintaining and improving student performance. Last year the money was used for math and ELA pullouts and was used for technology. The committee moved to maintain the trend of last year and use the distributed funds for technology and pullouts. **Group B was proposed to receive: \$155,400.00** which amounts to \$1,400.00 per person in Group B. **Group C was proposed to receive \$14,922.00**, which amounts to \$363.95 per person and **Group D was proposed to receive \$1,200.00** which amounts to \$100 per person.
 - ii. Ballot Creation: Ms. Ramsay

The ballot was proposed as follows:

Option 1:

- \$5,000 of the funds will go to the school to be used for non-recurring expenditures for educational equipment and materials (technology) and hiring temporary personnel to assist in maintaining and improving student performance.
- \$155,400 of the funds will be used for a one-time bonus of \$1,400.00 to instructional staff, school administrators, school counselors, social worker, family therapist, and instructional ESE personnel who worked at least 50% of the 2024-2025 school year.
- \$14,922 of the funds will be used for a one-time bonus of \$363.95 to clerical staff, facilities personnel, security staff, BRACE advisor, school psychologist, technical support staff, classroom monitors, and educational support professionals who worked at least 50% of the 2024-2025 school year.
- \$1,200 of the funds will be used for a one-time bonus of \$100 to full-time cafeteria staff who worked at least 50% of the 2024-2025 school year.
- Any leftover A+ Funds will be used for non-recurring expenditures for educational equipment and materials (technology).

Option 2: None of the above

The question was moved for acceptance of the proposal and the terms of the ballot creation by Ms. Ramsay. Mr. Judd moved to accept the proposal and ballot creation. Mr. Laverde seconded. Ms. Ramsay conducted a roll call vote. **Motion passed unanimously** with the following voting members present voting in favor of moving forward with the proposal and ballot vote for the A+ funds distribution:

1. Ms. Alaine - Yes
2. Ms. Awofadeju - Yes
3. Ms. Berger - Yes
4. Ms. Calloo - Yes
5. Ms. Carpenter - Yes
6. Ms. Coddington - Yes
7. Mr. Dash - Yes
8. Ms. Davis-Greenfield - Yes
9. Ms. Devlin - Yes
10. Ms. Fleming - Yes
11. Ms. Greaves - Yes
12. Ms. Jackson - Yes
13. Mr. Judd - Yes
14. Mr. Laverde - Yes
15. Dr. Lockhart - Yes
16. Ms. Mainer - Yes
17. Ms. McNish-Williams - Yes
18. Ms. Ortiz - Yes
19. Ms. Ramsay - Yes
20. Mrs. Relyea - Yes
21. Mr. Segel - Yes
22. Ms. Spencer - Yes
23. Mr. Thompson - Yes
24. Mr. Turner - Yes
25. Ms. Valle - Yes

V. Principal's Report: Ms. Awofadeju

- i. Facilities: The fire alarm is still having concerns with various faults and no sound in areas such as the portables and Building 14. Work orders have been submitted and are still awaiting fulfillment. Members who are interested in taking a tour to see the facilities are welcome to arrange that with Ms. Awofadeju. Free and Reduced lunch is back and families must apply for free or reduced lunch. At this time Nova is currently at 60.77% free and reduced lunch. The admin team is reaching out to families whose students had to charge a lunch and were delinquent so that applications can be made for the service by qualifying applicants. Anyone who wants to donate and contribute to the free and reduced lunch program are welcome to do so and may do that through the Broward Education Foundation at www.browardeducationfoundation.org.
- ii. School/District News: We owe \$57,000 for lunches districtwide. Nova High owes \$4,900 as of October 24th. Math tutoring started on October 14 and continues every week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.
- iii. Testing: Exam exemptions are now open and will close on December 8th at 11:59 p.m. Students can access their exam exemptions FORM and pertinent information on their canvas dashboard. Mid-Terms will be held on December 16th-19th. FAST PM 2 will be held on January 14 upon students return from the break.
- iv. Awards/Recognition: The Football Team made it to the state playoffs, under the leadership of Head Coach, Coach McCloud.
- v. Activities: December 11th dance showcase by the Golden Emeralds at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium. Holiday Concert, December 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium.
- vi. Athletics: Winter Sports have started their practices - Competitions will begin in November. Competition chair continues to compete in district wide cheer competitions, 2 mini competitions. Boys' soccer 5 -1. Girls' soccer 1-5. Boys Basketball undefeated. Girls Basketball undefeated. New Coaches for both girls' soccer and boys' basketball.

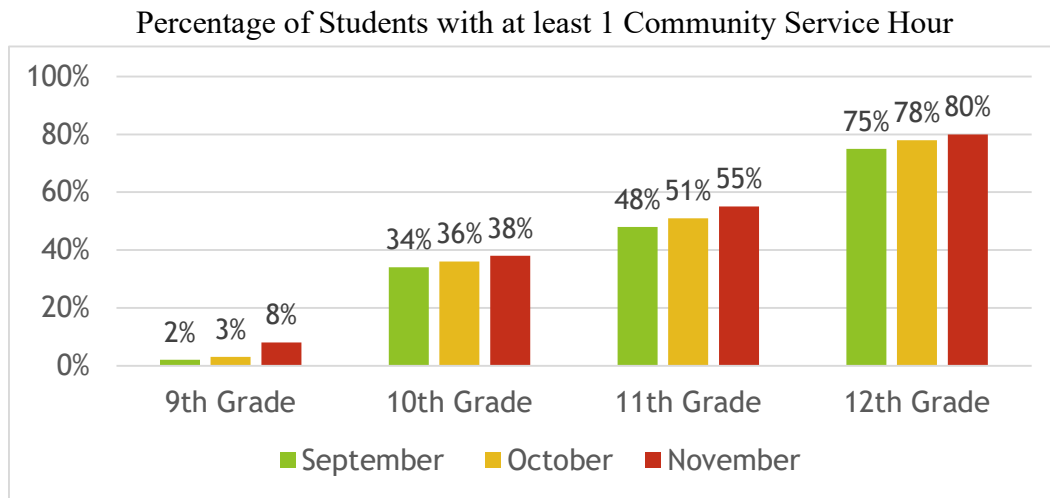
VI. School Improvement Plan

- i. Acceleration Rate: Ms. Gentile
Students can earn acceleration points through a wide array of course offerings including AP, AICE and Industry Certifications. Last year for the graduating class 76% of students received acceleration. Many students received more than 1 acceleration point. 61% received 2 or more acceleration points. Total of 219 students. This year, 68 % of seniors have earned their acceleration point thus far. Most of the remaining students are currently enrolled in acceleration classes and more students are anticipated to earn their acceleration point. 57% of seniors already have 2 or more for this year and this number is anticipated to grow as the year progresses.

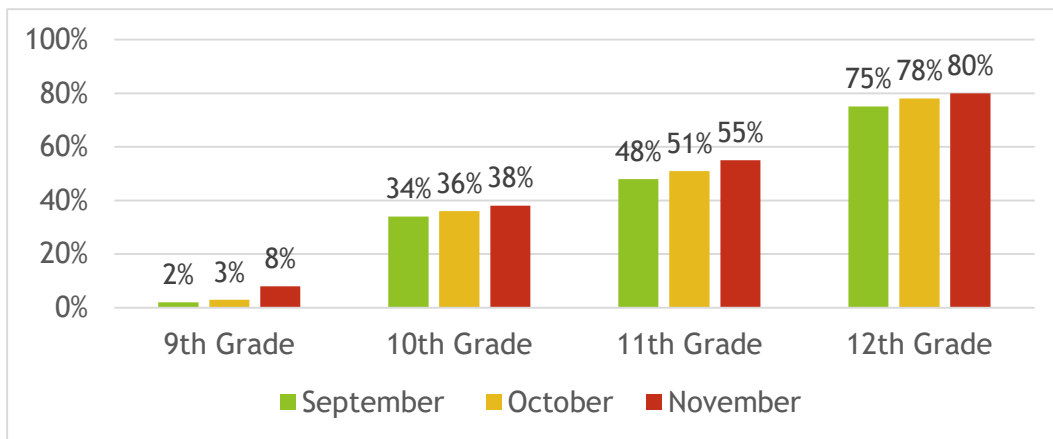
VII. Media Center Collection Plan: Mr. Bua

- i. Mr. Bua presented an overview of the collection plan for the 25-26 school year, including how books and media will be collected, purchased, and made available for student use throughout the school year.

VIII. Community Service Hour Report: Dr. Gutzmore



Percentage of Students who have met their 40+ Community Service Hour Requirement



IX. Accountability Funds \$18,492.14: Dr. Gutzmore

- i. This is the new balance including the roll over balance for the Teacher class wallet.

X. School Improvement Safety Incident Report (SESIR): Ms. Jackson

- i. The SESIR report has not been updated. The report should be ready for the next SAC meeting.

XI. Old Business/New Business: None

XII. Announcements: Ms. Ramsay reminded everyone that the next SAC meeting will be on January 26, 2026, and that it will be a joint SAC/SAF meeting.

XIII. Adjournment

- i. Mrs. Relyea moved to adjourn at **6:17 p.m.** Mr. Laverde seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**