



Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting, February 21, 2023
Novi Community School District
Board of Education

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Novi Community School District was held Thursday, February 21, 2023, beginning at 7:01 PM.

Present: Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener

Absent: by Roll Call Vote

At 7:02 PM, the Board paused for a moment of silence in remembrance of those who were injured, lost their lives, and were affected by the Michigan State University's recent event.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members of the audience joined with the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Approve the Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Smith and supported by Mr. Cook that the Novi Community School Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

CELEBRATIONS

Mr. Ben Mainka, Superintendent of Schools, celebrated Shailee Patel for being recognized by the Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education with their annual Patricia Gilchrist Frazier Award that recognizes one person across the entire State of Michigan. He stated that this is given to a Special Education Director who has demonstrated outstanding service and leadership to her/his local district. Mr. Mainka said that he is so impressed by this and that she is the first Indian-born woman to earn this award. He mentioned that she was surprised by some of her colleagues and her entire family who were present.

A Board member shared that they attended Deerfield's multi-cultural Festival with tables set-up with German, Japanese, African-American, Korean, and more. He mentioned that the Novi Public Library also had a table at the event. A Board member stated that he attended Deerfield's Black History Month Trivia Night, which is back for the first time since the pandemic. He said at the first table was Principal Francis competing against a student at one point and the PTO co-presidents going head to head as well.

A Board member recognized Black History Month and thanked the people in our District who helped celebrate our African American students this month and year round. She said our black students and family are a valuable part of our community. A Board member, also, recognized school counselor appreciation week, February 6 through the 10th, and thanked them for everything they do to ensure our

students have the resources and tools they need to be successful. She gave a shout out to Mrs. Tobias and Mrs. Kilgore for their positive impact with students in grief groups.

A Board member mentioned that the theater department, led by Heather McKaig and Justin Jarvis (who helps produce the show), traveled to Mount Pleasant for the One Act Plays, State Competition, at Central Michigan University. He mentioned that Novi came in second place for their production of *These Shining Lives*.

A Board Member celebrated the 800th network broadcast of an athletic event, since 2017. He the views to these events have surpassed thirty thousand views from people living around the globe; from as far as Lisbon, Portugal. This Board member expressed his gratitude to the Athletic Department for their support and all that they do.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

i-Ready Mid-Year Data Review – Jeff Dinkelman

The i-Ready assessment was administered to our K-6 students. Tonight, Jeff Dinkelman, the Director of Student Growth and Accountability will review the latest data with the Board of Education.

It was moved by Jason Michener that the i-Ready Winter and 2022 Spring State Assessment Reports be referred to the DEI and Curriculum committees to develop, in conjunction with NCSD Staff, a plan of action to address the low Math and ELA placement scores of the Black or African American and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander student populations and present that plan to the board by the March 16, 2023 Board Meeting.

Board members took a moment to discuss this motion. They stated that there is a process to be followed for this.

Ayes: 1 Mr. Michener

Nays: 6 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, and Mrs. Beaudoin

MOTION FAILED

2022-23 NCSD Budget Amendment Presentation

On June 16, 2022 the Board of Education adopted the District's budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. An amendment to the budget reflecting all the changes known at this time has been prepared and presented for information and discussion at the February 16, 2023 Board Work Session.

Tonight, Mr. Devin Kling, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations, will explain the 2022-2023 Budget Amendment 1 to the Board.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were four (4) comments from the audience congratulating our Board members, regarding the Mental Health Alliance, i-Ready results, and Novi's testing results are higher than the national average for sub groups.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items included in the Consent Items are those which have previously been considered by the Board in committee or at a prior meeting, or of such a routine nature, that discussion is not required. Board

members may request that any items be removed from Consent Items for further discussion, if additional information is needed or available.

It was moved by Mrs. Roney and supported by Mr. Michener that the Novi Community School Board of Education approve the Consent Item(s) as presented.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener
Nays: 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

DONATIONS

There were no donations to present.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education will move into a closed session for the following reasons:

- A public body may meet in a closed session only for one or more purposes as specified in the Open Meetings Act. Tonight, the Board will move into a closed session for the purposes of contract Negotiations [OMA Sect.8(2)].
- A public body may meet in a closed session only for one or more purposes as specified in the Open Meetings Act. Tonight, the Board will move into a closed session to discuss District land [OMA Sect. 8(3)].

It was moved by Mr. Cook and supported by Mr. Mena that the Novi Community School Board of Education move into a Closed Session for the purposes of contract negotiations and Land Discussion.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener
Nays: 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

The Board moved into a Closed Session at 8:19 PM and returned at 8:55 PM.

ACTION ITEMS

Personnel Report

Laura Carino, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented for the Board's consideration the personnel changes.

It was moved by Mr. Michener and supported by Mr. Cook that the Novi Community School Board of Education adopts the personnel report recommendations as presented.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener
Nays: 0 **MOTION CARRIED**

Personnel Report B – NASA Administrators

At the July 14, 2022 meeting, the administrative contract renewals were brought to you for your consideration and were approved through June 30, 2024. At that time, it was noted that any potential increases in compensation would be determined at a later date. Increases in compensation and several title changes, which more accurately reflect the scope of several positions, are now being brought to the Board for approval. The affected title changes are reflected in bold.

- Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations
 - Devin Kling

- **Assistant Superintendent of Talent Management and Development**
 - Dr. Laura Carino
- **Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning**
 - Mike Giromini
- Director of Adult and Alternative Education
 - Linda Cianferra
- **Director of Early Childhood & Community Education**
 - Ann Hansen
- Director of English Language Development & State/Federal Programs
 - Adva Ringle
- Director of Finance
 - Deanna Wheeler
- Director of Maintenance
 - Mike Drago
- Director of Special Education
 - Shailee Patel
- Director of Student Growth and Accountability
 - Jeff Dinkelmann
- Director of Student Support Services
 - Darby Hoppenstedt
 - Director of Transportation
 - Cynthia Valentine
- Assistant Director of Maintenance
 - Eric Hettel
- **Coordinator of Early Childhood Education**
 - Stacey Job
- **Supervisor of Communications and Community Engagement**
 - George Sipple
- **Supervisor of Medical Services**
 - Cathy Farris
- Supervisor of Special Education
 - Amanda Squires
- Elementary Principals (4)
 - David Ascher
 - Katy Dinkelmann
 - Ryan Francis
 - Jennifer Murphy
- Meadows Principals (2)
 - John Brickey
 - Lisa Fenchel
- Middle School Principal
 - Robert Baker
- Middle School Assistant Principal
 - Angie Southworth
 - High School Principal

- Nicole Carter
- High School Assistant Principals (2)
 - Andrew Comb
 - Ron Kane
- High School Athletic Director
 - Don Watchowski
- Virtual School Principal
 - Emily Pohlonski

It was moved by Mr. Mena and supported by Mrs. Roney that the Novi Community School Board of Education approve the contracts as noted above.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

ROAR Center Easement

The Great Lakes Water Authority is requesting approval from the Novi Community School District Board of Education to add to the current permanent easement area existing on the ROAR Center property, located at 41500 Gardenbrook Road.

A survey of the existing and proposed change was provided to the Novi Community School District, by Zausmer, P.C. and is included.

This comes before the Board tonight for approval.

It was moved by Mrs. Roney and supported by Mrs. Beaudoin that the Novi Community School Board of Education approve the proposed easement change as presented.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Business Professionals Tournament Field Trip

Darcie Moss, Novi High School teacher, is requesting that three (3) students travel to Grand Rapids, Michigan for the Business Professionals of America Tournament, where they will compete alongside 2000 other students statewide. They will participate in 60 different business skill events.

Mrs. Moss was able to secure CTE funding for this event. Students will be staying and the Amway Grand Resort. This comes tonight for information and discussion and will return on February 16 for approval.

It was moved by Mrs. Beaudoin and supported by Mr. Smith that the Novi Community School Board of Education approve the Business Professionals of America State Tournament from March 9 through March 12, 2023.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Playground Equipment Resolution

The Project Team, consisting of the NCSD administration, PMC, TMP, and McCarthy Smith, is recommending the purchase of playground equipment for Deerfield, Novi Woods, Orchard Hills and Parkview Elementary to replace the current, aging equipment. Penchura-Landscape Structures, who

replaced the aging structures at Village Oaks elementary, will providing the equipment and installation for the playgrounds.

The team recommends awarding to Penchura-Landscape Structures for the following:

<u>Deerfield Elementary</u>	
• Equipment Purchase	\$86,055.05
• Installation	<u>\$42,681.00</u>
Total	\$128,736.05
<u>Novi Woods Elementary</u>	
• Equipment Purchase	\$89,951.99
• Installation	<u>\$39,897.00</u>
Total	\$129,848.99
<u>Orchard Hills Elementary</u>	
• Equipment Purchase	\$89,769.70
• Installation	<u>\$40,203.00</u>
Total	\$129,972.70
<u>Parkview Elementary</u>	
• Equipment Purchase	\$88,347.51
• Installation	<u>\$35,078.94</u>
Total	\$123,426.45

PMC recommends awarding the equipment and installation for the noted elementary buildings totaling \$511,984.19. In addition, a 10% contingency is recommended of \$51,198.00 bringing the total recommendation for award to \$563,182.61.

It was moved by Mr. Smith and supported by Mr. Michener that the Novi Community School Board of Education award Penchura-Landscape Structures with the equipment and installation for the noted elementary buildings totaling \$511,984.19. In addition, a 10% contingency is recommended of \$51,198.00 bringing the total recommendation for award to \$563,182.61. Further, that the Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations be authorized to expend the funds from the 2014 Bond Capital Projects Funds and the Sinking Fund.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

2022-2023 Budget Amendment

On June 16, 2022 the Board of Education adopted the District’s budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. An amendment to the budget reflecting all the changes known at this time has been prepared and presented for information and discussion at the February 16, 2023 Board Work Session.

It comes back before the Board tonight for adoption.

It was moved by Mrs. Roney and supported by Mr. Mena that the Novi Community School Board of Education adopt the 2022-2023 Budget Amendment as presented.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

OCSBA Bylaws and Resolutions

The Oakland County School Boards Association Resolutions and Bylaws Committee reviews and recommends amendments to the Association’s bylaws annually. The OCSBA Board of Directors has reviewed the proposed changes and recommends approval of all bylaws amendments as presented. Every Member District Board of Education has been provided with the proposed amendments and a summary of proposed changes with a rationale for each change.

The Board of Directors has reviewed the proposed amendments, and approves moving these recommendations forward for a vote of our Member Districts. In accordance with our bylaws, each Member District Board of Education has one (1) vote to approve the recommended amendments.

The Board's completed and signed ballots must be received no later than 5:00 PM on March 3, 2023, so this comes for Board action tonight. Ballots that are received by the deadline will be acknowledged by email reply (please allow up to 24 hours).

It was moved by Mr. Michener and supported by Mrs. Roney that the Novi Community School Board of Education approves all OCSBA bylaws amendments and resolutions as presented.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener
Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

Bid Packages – Novi Meadows Phase 1, High School Phase 2

Novi Meadows Phase 1 Furnishing Package

Quotations were received for Novi Meadows Furnishings - Phase 1 Bond Program by multiple furniture contractors. Each furniture contractor has referenced the cooperative bid contract utilized to determine pricing within their quotes.

The scope of new furnishings for phase 1 is inclusive to the 1st Floor Zone A, B, and C as outlined below:

- Classroom Storage, Teacher Desks, Mobile Lecterns, and Marker Trays
- Sensory Room Furnishings
- Learning Commons, Group Rooms, and Conference Room Furnishings.
- Media Center, Makerspace & Steam Furnishings
- Main Office, Staff Offices, Staff Lounge and Storage Rooms.

TMP recommends the procurement of the Furnishings Package for Phase 1 as follows:

<u>MANUFACTURER CATEGORY</u>	<u>FURNITURE CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CONTRACT</u>
<i>Category A: Allsteel</i>	<i>Interior Environments</i>	<i>\$186,556.32</i>	<i>Omnia</i>
<i>Category B: Fleetwood</i>	<i>Interior Office Source</i>	<i>\$173,870.75</i>	<i>NCPA</i>
<i>Category C: Steelcase +</i>	<i>NBS Commercial Interiors</i>	<i>\$351,560.15</i>	<i>E&I</i>
<i>Category D: Smith System</i>	<i>NBS Commercial Interiors</i>	<i>\$14,902.58</i>	<i>E&I</i>
<i>Category E: KI</i>	<i>KI Direct + Interior Office Source</i>	<i>\$14,353.37</i>	<i>Sourcewell</i>
<i>Category F: Ergotron</i>	<i>Yeo & Yeo Technology</i>	<i>\$30,000.00</i>	<i>REMC</i>
<i>Category G: Safco</i>	<i>NBS Commercial Interiors</i>	<i>\$15,733.63</i>	<i>Omnia</i>
<i>Category H: VS America</i>	<i>Great Lakes Furniture Supply</i>	<i>\$71,969.40</i>	<i>Omnia</i>
<i>Category I: Not Used</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Category J: Hon</i>	<i>Interior Environments</i>	<i>\$5,599.15</i>	<i>Omnia</i>
<i>Category K: MiEN</i>	<i>Dew-EL</i>	<i>\$64,669.14</i>	<i>NCPA</i>
<i>Category L: Watson</i>	<i>Interior Environments</i>	<i>\$13,608.40</i>	<i>NCPA</i>
<i>Category M: Egan</i>	<i>Interior Environments</i>	<i>\$3,113.50</i>	<i>NCPA</i>
<i>Category N: Norva Nivel</i>	<i>Interior Environments</i>	<i>\$11,477.89</i>	<i>Buy Board</i>
<i>Category O: Not Used</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Category P: Gressco</i>	<i>NBS Commercial Interiors</i>	<i>\$1,773.82</i>	<i>Omnia</i>

Category Q: School Specialty	<i>School Specialty Direct</i>	\$18,205.96	REMC
Category R: Media Technologies	<i>Dew-EL</i>	\$39,635.95	NCPA
Category S: Not Used	-	-	-
Category T: Sit On It	<i>Interior Environments</i>	\$17,231.52	Omnia
Category U: Integra	<i>NBS Commercial Interiors</i>	\$13,194.45	NPP
Category V: Global	<i>NBS Commercial Interiors</i>	\$6,440.36	E&I

The total cost of this furniture package, including installation services, is \$1,053,869.34. Quotations received are valid through the end of March 2023. Purchase orders must be issued by Friday, March 31 to guarantee pricing as shown above. Purchase orders are requested no later than March 20, based on current lead times for each manufacturer.

This is presented for information and discussion and will come back for approval.

Novi High School Phase 2 Furnishing Package

Quotations were received for Novi High School Furnishings - Phase 2 by multiple furniture contractors. Each furniture contractor has referenced the cooperative bid contract utilized to determine pricing within their quotes.

The scope of new furnishings for phase 2 is inclusive to the 1st Floor Zone G, H, and S as outlined below:

- Office furnishings for renovated Athletic Office Suite & Loading Dock Office.
- Robotics Lab teacher desk, lectern, student tables and chairs, worktables, and breakout lounge.
- Flex Lounge mobile tables, nesting chairs, and lectern.
- Ticket Office & Cat Club furnishings.

TMP recommends the procurement of the Furnishings Package for Phase 1 as follows:

<u>MANUFACTURER CATEGORY</u>	<u>FURNITURE CONTRACTOR CONTRACT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	
Category A: Allsteel	Interior Environments	\$28,121.75	Omnia
Category B: KI	KI Direct + Interior Office Source	\$26,942.26	Sourcewell
Category C: VS America	Great Lakes Furniture Supply	\$12,488.00	Omnia
Category D: Hon	Interior Environments	\$2,247.75	Omnia
Category E: Sit On It	Interior Environments	\$13,023.72	Omnia
Category F: Ergotron	Yeo & Yeo Technology	\$1,800.00	REMC
Category G: Wisconsin Bench	Dew-EL	\$10,433.91	TIPS
Category H: Smith System	NBS Commercial Interiors	\$3,683.90	E&I
Category I: Not Used	-	-	-
Category J: Safco	NBS Commercial Interiors	\$499.42	Omnia
Category K: Steelcase +	NBS Commercial Interiors	\$2,607.52	E&I

The total cost of this furniture package, including installation services, is \$101,848.23. Quotations received are valid through the end of March 2023. Purchase orders must be issued by Friday, March 31 to guarantee pricing as shown above. Purchase orders are requested no later than March 20, based on current lead times for each manufacturer.

This is presented for information and discussion and will come back for approval.

City of Novi Land Swap

The Novi Community School District, the City of Novi, Plante Moran Cresa representatives, and respective attorneys brought the proposal to the Board at the September 22, 2022 Board meeting for a preliminary approval. It was then sent to the District’s attorneys for further assessment.

Based on the assessment letter, the District attorneys have updated the Property Exchange Agreement. The board has met to discuss these changes and it is brought tonight for approval.

NCSD Branding Guide

Last year, the a few key District personnel were researching the need for new common building signage in the District. Out of these discussions came a broader conversation around having a branding guide for the District due to the various logos being used in the buildings.

Under the expertise of Printnology, coordination of George Sipple, our marketing and public relations (PR) supervisor, and the guidance of the new Cabinet, a branding guide was developed. The purpose of this branding guide is to coordinate and unify all of the buildings and departments with one base logo and color scheme.

This is being presented tonight for information and discussion. It will come back for Board approval at the March 16, 2023 meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Benjamin Mainka, Superintendent of Schools, reported that he attended the National Conference of Education and it was phenomenal. He stated that there were over 5,000 superintendents and other educators sharing ideas from across the country. Mr. Mainka said that he had the opportunity to interact with them, which was hard because of the MSU event that hit home for a lot of people. He mentioned that amidst all that, he received an email that is worth sharing from a parent of two (2) recent Novi graduates, who are attending MSU as freshman.

“My two recent Novi graduates are freshmen at MSU. Thankfully they are home safe today. My students knew just what to do when the shooting happened and I attribute that all to the active shooter instruction and practice they receive while attending Novi schools. My daughter [REDACTED] ran to her dorm room and was joined by two other friends, Novi graduates, who upon shots being fired dropped everything at the nearby Union, where they were eating, and ran. The three sheltered in place in the student's dorm room and all three MSU students locked the door, barricaded sitting in the dark, in silence. I knew that my kids were academically well prepared for college by Novi schools, but I did not realize how well the district prepared them for something like last night. I am now even more grateful for the education my child received and still one receiving from the Novi Community School District. Thank you for everything the staff is doing for our community's children.”

Mr. Mainka reported that in the midst of all that it is helpful for our staff to hear that a lot of the measures that are in place and have been in place, long before I get here, are making a difference. He stated it is very important to protect our students and this is something to be proud of and maybe highlight because midst a very bad and horrific situation.

Mr. Mainka reported that today was professional development for our teachers. He stated that he had the opportunity to visit with 512 teachers. He stated that Mr. Giromini and our coaches were very

active in all the buildings and did a fantastic job collaborating. Mr. Mainka said that Mr. Giromini will have an update on that in his report in March.

Mr. Mainka stated that they had a student Board representative interview process going on at the high school. He was happy to report that they had 34 interested candidates. Mr. Mainka said that it used to be they could not beg someone to do the job and now they have 34 kids excited about sharing their voice with the Board. He mentioned that he is hopeful to be able to introduce a couple of the candidates at the March meeting who will be able to provide Board reports.

Mr. Mainka reported that he launched the podcast this past week. He stated that he is going to release the first episode tomorrow. Mr. Mainka said they filmed two and we have another one coming.

Mr. Mainka mentioned that he wanted to highlight a comment brought up by DeJuan Woods. About sharing the expertise of our community. He reported that we have a lot of very talented people and one of the things that are doing is bringing those people onto our podcast who are experts in certain areas and asking them questions. Mr. Mainka stated that the podcast title is, Courageous Curiosity and we ask questions about things that we are curious about. He mentioned that they will talk about things like why play is important and that will be episode two (2) that will be released next week.

Mr. Mainka reported that they talk to the experts and they will bring in a professor from Wayne State University, who is a social gerontologist, and why play is important as well as some of our own teachers and staff in the first episode to examine why are we curious or not anymore. He stated that they are going to have conversation about why we cannot talk about politics at the dinner table anymore, why are books being banned. Mr. Mainka said there are a lot of fun topics that they will uncover and we are just curious about. He mentioned that they are going to invite community members into those conversation as a way of sharing some collective experience. Mr. Mainka reported that we have so many talented people to tap into.

Mr. Mainka mentioned that Board meetings are often difficult for the community to actually interact with the Board. He reported that it is not conducive for that when Board meetings are for Board business. Mr. Mainka stated that he is excited for the feedback on the idea of launching Board roundtables. He said that he is hoping to start that in the month of March. He reported that the idea with Board roundtables is that it would be an interactive experience similar to Coffee with the Superintendent, coming up, but where people can come and sit with me to have a dialogue with Board members. Mr. Mainka mentioned that Board meetings are not really set-up for that.

Mr. Mainka reported that people want more of an interactive experience and the board wants to interact with the community and get their input, so this would create an opportunity for a few of you (Board members) to be able to sit down and have an open dialogue. He stated that he will be working to schedule those in an effort to create an open, sharing, and positive opportunity for community engagement with the Board.

BOARD COMMUNICATION

A Board member reported that he and other Board members, had the opportunity to walk through the high school, Meadows, and Parkview and saw kids in action in the classroom. He mentioned that he surveyed some kids and their responses were insightful and also hilarious. The Board member stated

that he attended the city's Toast of the Town. He said that Deerfield has been very busy with their events that included Find Your Passions, sledding with Danny Taylor, and he got to help build windowsill flower pots. The Board member mentioned Deerfield is in the middle of the Heart Challenge, the 4th graders, and possibly all grades, are learning CPR on dummies, they had family movie night. The Board member reported that he attended the parent connect meeting with the community and they spoke about the crossing situation on Wixom. He stated that he was fortunate enough to tour Village Oaks with Principal Dinkelmann and attend her staff meeting. He heard a lot tier two support and AVMR. The Board member said it was fascinating to see the passion and the energy of the educators.

A board member reported that Thursday is the Robotics open house from 4:30 to 6:30, at the high school. She stated that the NEF Green Gala is April 15 and that tickets are on sale now.

A Board member reported that she had the opportunity to go to the OSTC, Principal Carter's Coffee with Carter. She stated that Sarah Lephart was there and talked about the IB/AP programs. The Board member said that she saw a communication from the high school that students are able to take a field trip, so if they are interested and missed the opportunity, she encouraged them to find the email and there is a Google document to sign up.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Michener and supported by Mrs. Beaudoin that the Novi Community School District Board of Education Regular Board meeting be adjourned.

Ayes: 7 Dr. Ruskin, Mr. Mena, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Roney, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Beaudoin, and Mr. Michener
Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for March 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., at the Educational Services Building.

Willy Mena, Board of Education Secretary