

**RUMSON-FAIR HAVEN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
RUMSON, NEW JERSEY 07760**

Regular Meeting

October 27, 2026

Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School Learning Commons

6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

"Our mission is to empower all of our students with the tools to find their passions and thrive as knowledgeable, confident, resilient, creative, and compassionate citizens of a global community."

1. Call to Order

2. Salute the Flag

3. Statement of Compliance

Adequate notice of this meeting has been disseminated in accordance with NJSA 10:4-8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, specifying the date, time and place and filed with the Asbury Park Press, the Two River Times, the Borough Clerks, posted on the District website and in the Main Office.

4. Roll Call

Mr. Dougherty		Mr. Leddin		Ms. Romano	
Mr. Grant		Mrs. McGinty		Mrs. Thompson	
Mrs. Kiley		Mrs. Pagano		Mrs. Whitehouse	

5. Welcome of Visitors

6. Communications

7. Special Presentations

- ❖ Kathleen Helewa, Educational Consultant - Strategic Plan
- ❖ QSAC Presentation - Lee McDonald, Sean Cranston

8. Board Reports

- ❖ Student Representative Report - Jayla McGinnis & Cooper Barrett
- ❖ Education - Mrs. Kiley - October 14, 2026
- ❖ Finance & Facilities - Mr. Leddin - October 6, 2026

- ❖ Personnel - Mrs. McGinty - October 7, 2026
- ❖ Superintendent's Report

Drills

TYPE OF DRILL	DATE	TIME	DURATION
Fire Drill	September 10	11:56 a.m.	9 minutes
Extended Evacuation	September 15	12:45 p.m.	29 minutes
Bus Evacuation Drill	September 18	7:10 a.m.	

Enrollment - 770 as of September 30, 2026

9. Public Comment on Agenda Items

10. ¹ACTION ITEMS

MINUTES

The superintendent recommends Minutes item #1

Approve Board Meeting Minutes

1. Recommend Board approval of the following meeting minutes:
 - a. September 22, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

PERSONNEL

The superintendent recommends personnel items #2 - 10

2. Approval to Amend Appointment

Recommend Board approval to amend the appointment of Patrick Martin, Security Monitor, from part time to full time, effective October 28, 2026, at \$50,000, prorated.

3. Approval of the Appointment of a Spanish Teacher

Recommend Board approval of the appointment of Victoria Takacs as a Spanish Teacher for the 2026 - 2027 school year beginning January 4, 2027 through June 30, 2027 at Step 17-18 (17) of the BA guide, \$83,770.00, prorated.

¹ All votes are subject to a standing recusal by Leddin and Whitehouse regarding any matter involving or relating to Dr. McDonald (Sup.), Steve Sarles (Principal) and Beth English (AD). Additional action may require recusal and those will be acknowledged with specificity as the circumstances arise.

4. Approval of Start Date

Recommend Board approval of start dates for the following previously approved staff members:

NO.	NAME	START DATE
1.	Christopher Carter	September 29, 2026
2.	Louis Dal Pra	October 5, 2026

5. Approval of Resignation

Recommend Board approval of the resignation of Louis Dal Pra, Security Monitor, effective October 30, 2026.

6. Approval of Resignation

Recommend Board approval of the resignation of Victoria Imperato, Special Education Teacher, effective November 23, 2026.

7. Approval of Security Monitor for Night Events

Recommend Board approval of the following Security Monitor for night and weekend events at the rate of \$35.00 per hour, not to exceed 400 cumulative amongst all night security monitors:

NO.	NAME
1.	Patrick Martin

8. Approval of Substitutes for the 2026 - 2027 School Year

Recommend Board approval of the following substitutes for the 2026 - 2027 school year:

NO.	NAME
1.	Nadine Harvier
2.	Jennifer Leuin
3.	Brian Mastriano
4.	Richard Nitto

9. Approval of Extracurricular Advisor for the 2026 - 2027 School Year

Recommend Board approval of the following extracurricular advisor for the 2026 - 2027 school year:

<u>CLUB</u>	<u>ADVISOR</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Surf Club	Christopher Stephan - Volunteer	N/A
Tower Singers	Zachary Lorelli	Group 4 - \$2,296

10. Approval of Winter Coaches

Recommend Board approval of winter coaches for the 2026 - 2027 school year:

SPORT	NAME	STEP	SALARY
BOYS BASKETBALL - GROUP II			
Head Coach	George Sourlis	7	\$8,608
Assistant Coach	Jamien Lawson	5	\$5,672
Assistant Coach	Connor McLoone	5	\$5,672
Assistant Coach	Theodore Sourlis	5	\$5,672
Volunteer Coach	Matthew Farrell*		
GIRLS BASKETBALL - GROUP II			
Head Coach	Geoffrey Billet	7	\$8,608
Assistant Coach	Kelly Ridolfi	7	\$6,370
Volunteer Coach	David Walsh		
WRESTLING _ GROUP II			
Head Coach	Eleazar DeLuca	6	\$7,816
Assistant Coach	Thomas Colella	6	\$6,034
Assistant Coach	Samuel Alvarez*	4	\$5,311
Volunteer Coach	Zachary DelVecchio		
Volunteer Coach	Stephen Horney		
SWIMMING - GROUP III			
Head Coach Girls	Meghan Vaccarelli	7	\$7,929
Head Coach Boys	Zachary Wilson	7	\$7,929

Assistant Coach	George Massabni	7	\$5,954
ICE HOCKEY - GROUP III			
Head Coach	Eric Zullo	7	\$7,929
Assistant Coach	Bradley Power	7	\$5,954
Assistant Coach	Gregg Amato	7	\$5,954
Volunteer Coach	Dino Pagano		
WINTER TRACK - GROUP IV			
Head Coach	Michael Haughwout	5	\$4,826
Assistant Coach	Michael Zink	5	\$3,802
Assistant Coach	Carissa Melillo	5	\$3,802
Assistant Coach	Jeremy Schulte	6	\$4,158
Volunteer Coach	Jessica Mentzel		
Volunteer Coach	Timothy McLoone		
Volunteer Coach	Enneth Young		
STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COACH - GROUP II			
Head Coach	Robert Orrok	7	\$8,608
Assistant Coach	Kyle Marinelli	6	\$6,034

**Pending completion of all required paperwork*

FINANCE

The superintendent recommends finance items #11 - 31

Board Secretary's Monthly Certification - August 2026

Pursuant to 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, I, Sean Cranston, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, certifies that no line item has been over expended in violation of 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Sean S. Cranston

11. Approval of Bill List

Recommend Board approval of the following bill lists dated **October 27, 2026**:

General Fund	\$ 1,688,875.20
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 17,052.00
Food Services Fund	\$ 108,950.81
Total	\$ 1,814,878.01
Payroll 09-30-26	\$ 613,140.84
Payroll 10-15-26	\$ 609,556.35
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,037,575.20

12. Approve Board Secretary's Report – August 2026

Recommend Board approval of the Board Secretary's report for **August 31, 2026**.

13. Approve Panda LLC, Cash Reconciliation Report– August 2026

Recommend Board approval of the **Panda LLC Cash Reconciliation** report for – **August 31, 2026**.

14. Budget Transfers - August 2026

Recommend Board approval of the budget transfer report for **August 2026**.

15. Board of Education's Certification of Budgetary Major Account Fund Status

To approve that pursuant to 6A:23A-16.10(c)4, the Board of Education after review of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary's monthly financial reports as of **August 31, 2026**, and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, certifies to the best of their knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of 6A:23A-16.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

16. Approve of Use of Facilities - Non Chargeable

Recommend Board approval of the following applications For Use of School Facilities:

Date(s)	Time(s)	Organization	Event	Facility
Monday & Thursday	6-9 pm	RFH Recreational Lacrosse	Fall/Winter Practices	Stadium Turf
Saturdays Nov - Mar	8-11 am			

9-26-26 10-3-26 10-10-26 10-17-26 10-24-26	8-11 am	Rumson Recreation - Flag Football	Flag Football	Upper Turf
10-13-26	6:15-8:15 pm	Rumson Recreation - Basketball Coaches Clinic	Basketball Coaches Clinic	Gymnasium
10-31-26 to 02-20-27 Saturdays	8:30am - 12:30 pm	RFH Youth Wrestling	Youth Wrestling Practices	Cafeteria
10-21-27	5-8:45 pm	Fair Haven School District	Boys/Girls Soccer Doubleheader vs Forrestdale	Stadium Turf

17. Approval of Attendance at Professional Conferences and or Workshops:

Recommend Board approval of the following staff to attend professional conferences and or workshops as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Date	Name	Conference/Workshop (Budget Account #)	Registration	Estimated Travel	Day	Location
10-5-26 10-7-26 10-15-26 10-26-26 10-28-26	Various	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$99 (District Fee)	n/a	Full	Toms River ,NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Caitlin Altland	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Nicholas Bashore	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
10-7-26	Julie Brewington	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$42	Full	Toms River ,NJ
11-5-26	Luz Coby	NJEA Convention	\$0	\$0	Full	Virtual
10-28-26	Thomas Colella	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$35	Full	Toms River ,NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Thomas Colella	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Alexander Componile	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
10-28-26	Alexander Componile	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$0	Full	Toms River ,NJ

11-17-26 12-7-26	Nicholas Delbuono	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
11-5-26	Melissa Donofri	NJEA Convention	\$0	\$0	Full	Virtual
11-5-26	Jennifer Fiorini	NJEA Convention	\$0	\$0	Full	Virtual
10-7-26	Lauren Garrido	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$0	Full	Toms River ,NJ
10-5-26	Michael Haughwout	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$0	Full	Toms River ,NJ
10-30-26	Anna Higgins	Special Education Resource Teachers: Highly Practical Strategies for Helping Students Make Better Progress Toward IEP Goals	\$295	\$0	Full	Virtual
11-17-26 12-7-26	Thomas Highton	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
10-5-26	Valerie Kilar	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$36	Full	Toms River ,NJ
2-17-27 to 2-19-27	Justin Langlois	NJLA/NJASLA Joint Annual Conference	\$325	\$450	Full	Atlantic City, NJ
10-28-26	Kali Lerner	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$37	Full	Toms River ,NJ
12-4-26	Amanda McCaffrey	Practical Strategies to Incorporate Specially designed instruction into your co-teaching	\$295	\$0	Full	Virtual
10-7-26	Kristin McCarthy	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$0	Full	Toms River ,NJ
11-5-26	Lindsey McCarthy	NJEA Convention	\$0	\$0	Full	Virtual
2-25-27 to 2-27-27	Lee McDonald	AASA National Conference	\$795	\$2896	Full	Atlanta, GA
10-14-26	Robert Miller	CARMA Presentation	\$0	\$0	Half PM	Marlboro, NJ
10-26-26	Jessica Olszewski	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$26	Full	Toms River ,NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Christopher Quinn	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
10-7-26	Megan Rizzitello	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$0	Full	Toms River ,NJ

10-19-26	Alyssa Schulte	Monmouth University Visitor Day	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Jeremy Schulte	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Jennifer Sterk	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
10-26-26	Aubrey Torta	AP Colloquium at OCC	\$0*	\$0	Full	Toms River ,NJ
11-20-26	Stephanie Washesleski	AMTNJ Fall 2026 Conference	\$215	\$0	Full	Lincroft, NJ
11-17-26 12-7-26	Megan Wilkins	2GNJ Holocaust Education Professional Development	\$0	\$0	Full	West Long Branch, NJ
9-30-26	Michael Zink	FBLA New Adviser Training	\$0	\$30	Full	Union, NJ

**denotes covered under District fee*

18. Approval of the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) District Performance Report (DPR)

Recommend the board to approve the submission of the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) District Performance Report (DPR) for the 2026-2027 school year.

19. Approve On-Tech Consulting - E-Rate Consultants 2026-2027 SY

Recommend Board approval to enter into a letter of intent to contract with On-Tech Consulting, Red Bank, NJ to assist in completing the application process for E-Rate funding for the 2027-2028 school year, with a maximum cost to the district of \$1,500.

20. Approve Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M-1

WHEREAS, the Department of Education requires New Jersey requires School districts to submit a three-year Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M-1 documenting “required” maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities, and

WHEREAS, the required maintenance activities as listed in the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the various facilities of the Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School District are consistent with these requirements, and

WHEREAS, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School Board of Education hereby authorizes the school business administrator to submit the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and Form M-1 for the Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School District, in compliance with Department of Education requirements.

21. Approve submission of Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist - SOA

Recommend Board approval of the submission of the Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist - Statement of Assurance for the 26-27 SY, to the Monmouth County Executive Superintendent of Schools.

22. Approve Internal Capital Projects Plan (LRFP)

Recommend Board to approve the Internal Capital Projects Plan (LRFP) for the 26-27 SY, as attached.

23. Approval of a Contract - Ice Rental - RB Generals Hockey Club LLC

Recommend Board approval of a contract with RB Generals Hockey Club, LLC, Red Bank, NJ, for ice time for practices and games for the 2026-2027 season in the amount of \$31,264 pending the scheduling of competition for the ice hockey team during the winter season.

24. Approve Change Order - Pal-Pro Builders LLC

Recommend Board approval, upon recommendation from Spiegle Architectural Group, to approve the additional change orders in the amount of \$124,855.37 above the \$50,000 allowance to the contract with Pal-Pro Builders LLC for the Toilet Room Renovation Project at Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School. This change order amends the total contract price from \$606,500.00 to \$731,355.37, as attached: [2026 Toilet Room Renovations Change Order](#).

25. Approval of Total Registration

Recommend Board approval of Total Registration as an Advanced Placement registration provider for the 26-27 SY.

26. Approval of Therapy Dog

Recommend Board to approve Monmouth County SPCA to provide visiting therapy dog services for students and staff at RFH for the 26-27 SY.

27. Surplus

To identify the listed items as surplus, no longer required for school purposes, and authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to discard these items in accordance with N.J.S.A.

18A:18A-45, as attached/listed:

[Weeding Log](#)

Title	Copies	Condition
The Practice of Statistics for the AP Course	61	Good

28. Approve Consultant for Strategic Planning

Recommend Board to approve Kathleen Helewa, Educational Consultants, at a rate of \$120 per hour not to exceed 35 hours to facilitate the Strategic Plan process for the 26-27 SY.

29. Approval to Accept Donation from RFH Boosters

Recommend Board approval to accept a donation of a Bulldog Mascot Costume, with a value of \$4,995, for the Athletic Department from the RFH Booster Club.

30. Approval to Accept Donation from RFH Boosters

Recommend Board approval to accept a donation from RFH Booster Club in the amount of \$2,500 to pay the Surf Program Coaches for the 26-27 Season.

31. Approval of Surf Club Consultants - Funded by Donation

Recommend Board approval of the following consultants for the 2026-2027 Surf Club season funded by donation from the RFH Booster Club:

Thomas January \$1,250.00

EDUCATION**The superintendent recommends education items #32-35****32. Approval of Field Trip Request(s) for the 2026-2027 School Year as listed**

Recommend Board approval of the following field trip request(s) for the 2026-2027 school year:

DATE	DESTINATION	CLUB/CLASS	ADVISOR/ CHAPERONES
October 25	Fair Haven Fire House	Marching Band	Sara Marino
October 27	Walking Trip to Murphy's Tavern	US II	Lindsey McPherson Caitlin Altland Lauren Malaney
October 27	Metropolitan Museum of Art	AP Art History AP Studio Art Portfolio	Alexa James Kristen Lanfrank
October 28	TreEscapes, Vernon, NJ	Health & PE Senior Leaders Integrated PE Leaders	Keri Williams Lauren Butler Eric Zullo

November 14 December 12 January 16	Randolph High School Summit High School Freehold High School	Debate & Forensics	Aubrey Torta
December 10	Count Basie Theater, Red Bank	Integrated Art	Kristen Lanfrank Susan Shay Paraprofessionals (4) TBD
March 20	North Brunswick High School Model UN Conference	Model UN	Alexis Marinov
April 5	Guild of Creative Art, Shrewsbury	Senior Art Students	Kristen Lanfrank
April 15	Bucks County	Tower Players	Kasi Sweeney Donna Battaglia Amanda Gorfain
April 21	Grounds of Sculpture	Creative Writing	Jessica Mentzel
May 7	Six Flags Physics Day	All Physics Students	Jonathan Pennetti Krishna Kanuga Dylan Langford Krista Portelli Erika Waltz Other Faculty TBD

33. Approval of Fundraising Request(s) for the 2026-2027 School Year as listed

Recommend board approve the following fundraising request(s) for the 2026-2027 school year:

DATE	CLUB/PROGRAM	ADVISOR(S)	ACTIVITY
October	Character Education	Alyssa Schulte	CROP walk food collection for local food shelters
October 28	SGA	Nicholas DelBuono Alyssa Schulte	Bruster's Ice Cream Fundraiser
October 28 - December 20	Character Education	Alyssa Schulte	Collection of winter coats, hats, gloves
October - June	Global Women's Empowerment	Jessica Mentzel	Monthly collection of various items for 180: Turning Lives Around
November 2 - 16	Fashion Club	Kristen Lanfrank	Chocolate Bar Sale

November 19	Global Women's Empowerment	Jessica Mentzel	Make/sell bracelets for Malala Fund
November 23 - December 18	National Art Honor Society	Kristen Lanfrank	Hand Painted Custom Ornament Sale
November 28	National Art Honor Society	Kristen Lanfrank	Don't Shock Me Flag Football Game
February 25	Honor Society Spanish Honor Society Fashion Club	Kristen Lanfrank Yannell Maglione	Empty Bowls

34. Approval of Home Instruction

Recommend Board approval of home instruction for the 2026 - 2027 school year as listed:

STUDENT NO.	TIME FRAME	REASON	PROVIDER/COST
13231323	11/2 - 2/1 10 hours per week	Medical	RFH Faculty / \$55/hour

35. Approval of Curricula

Recommend Board approval of the following revised curricula:

- **English:** English I

POLICY & PLANNING

The superintendent recommends Policy & Planning items #36-38

36. Approve Nursing Services Plan

Recommend Board approval of the Nursing Services Plan for the 2026 - 2027 school year.

37. Approval of the 2027 - 2028 Academic Calendar

Recommend Board approval of the 2027 - 2028 academic calendar as per [Attachment A](#).

38. Approval of Annual Review and Revisions of "Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials" Without Change

Recommend Board approval of the Annual Review and Revisions of "Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials" without change; such agreement having been reviewed and signed by the Rumson Chief of Police, Fair Haven Chief of Police, the Superintendent of Schools and our Board of Education President.

11. Motion to Approve Recommendations
12. Approval Vote
13. Discussion Items
14. Public Comment - Any School Related Topic
15. Executive Session
 - ❖ Student Matters
 - ❖ Personnel
 - ❖ Attorney/Client Privilege

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., (the “Act”) provides that the Rumson-Fair Haven Board of Education may hold an “Executive Session” from which the public is excluded to discuss matters that are one of the nine (9) subject matters listed Section 12(b) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended by the Business Administrator that the Rumson-Fair Haven Board of Education go into Executive Session on October 27, 2026 to discuss matters that are permissible for discussion in Executive Session; and

WHEREAS, the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be 45 minutes after which the public meeting of the Board may reconvene and proceed with business; and

WHEREAS, that the Board hereby declares that its discussion of the following subject(s) will be made public at a time when the public’s interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being protected from disclosure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rumson-Fair Haven Board of Education that the Board shall go into Executive Session to discuss the following items:

ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY RESULT IN BOARD ACTION WHEN
THE BOARD RECONVENES TO PUBLIC SESSION.

16. Reconvene Public Session
17. Superintendent’s Additional Action Items
18. Motion to Approve Recommendations
19. Other Business
20. Unfinished Business
21. Adjournment

Communicating With the Board of Education

The Rumson-Fair Haven Board of Education meets in public session twice each month, usually on the second and third Tuesdays, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the High School. The Board of Education welcomes comments and suggestions from the residents of Fair Haven and Rumson. To that end, provision is made for public discussion at each meeting.

There are two ways in which an individual or group may address the Board directly in person. The request should be made in advance to be recognized during the first Public Discussion session of the meeting. The request should be made to the office of the Superintendent of Schools by Noon on Friday preceding the meeting. The request should identify the name of the individual or group and the topic of the comments. The phone number of the Superintendent is 732-842-1597, extension 550.

The second way is to be recognized during one of the two Public Discussion sessions included on the agenda for the meeting. The first session occurs prior to Board votes on action items. Remarks during that session are restricted to topics included on the printed agenda, unless a request to be recognized was made as described above. The second session occurs near the end of the meeting, and any topic may be addressed.

Each session is limited to 30 minutes. Any one person may address the Board for a maximum of 5 minutes. Once a particular topic has been addressed by a member of the public, subsequent comments on that same topic by other people is limited to a maximum of 2 minutes. Citizens who have spoken once during the session will be recognized a second time only after all others have been heard a first time. Speakers are required to state their names and addresses.

These guidelines have been established in order to permit public input, while permitting the Board of Education to conduct its business in a reasonable amount of time. As always the Board welcomes public input in the form of letters addressed to the Superintendent of Schools, 74 Ridge Road, Rumson, NJ 07760.