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

Regular Meeting
February 4, 2025
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 | Mrs. Kiley | Ms. Romano | |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--|
| Mr. Grant | Mrs. McGinty | Mrs. Thompson | |
| Mrs. Hickey | Mr. Page | Mrs. Whitehouse | |

- 5. Welcome of Visitors
- 6. Communications
- 7. Special Presentation
 - a. NJSBA Workshop Dr. Timothy Teehan

8. Board Reports

- Policy Mrs. Thompson January 23, 2025
- Superintendent's Report
 - > Budget Presentation Technology, Special Services, Athletics & Activities
 - Sean Cranston

9. Public Comment on Agenda Items

10. ACTION ITEMS

MINUTES

The superintendent recommends Minutes item #1

1. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

Recommend Board approval of the following meeting minutes:

- a. January 21, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. January 21, 2025 Executive Session Minutes

PERSONNEL

The superintendent recommends personnel items #2-3

Substitutes / Coaching/Advisor Appointments

2. Approval to Amend Coaching Appointments

Recommend Board approval to amend the following coaching appointments:

| NAME | SPORT | FROM | ТО | STIPEND/STEP |
|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Christopher Seslar | Rowing - Group III | Co-Head Coach | Head Coach | \$7,929 / 7 |
| Edward Reilly | Rowing - Group III | Co-Head Coach | Assistant Coach | \$5,954 / 7 |

3. Approval of Coaching / Advisor Appointments

Recommend Board approval of the following coaching / advisor appointments:

| NAME | SPORT/CLUB | POSITION | STIPEND/STEP |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Jorge Borges Carvalho | Rowing - Group III | Assistant Coach | \$3,906 / 1 |
| Glenn Grainger | Flag Football | Volunteer Advisor | N/A |

FINANCE

The superintendent recommends finance items #4-12

Board Secretary's Monthly Certification - December 2024

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

4. Approval of Bill List

Recommend Board approval of the following bill lists dated January 31, 2025:

| Payroll 01-31-25 | \$ 686,319.95 |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Total | \$ 179,180.59 |
| Food Services Fund | \$ 30,109.00 |
| Capital Projects Fund | \$ 0.00 |
| Special Revenue Fund | \$ 674.99 |
| General Fund | \$ 148,396.60 |

5. Approve Board Secretary's Report - December 2024

Recommend Board approval of the Board Secretary's report for December 31, 2024.

6. Approve Panda LLC, Cash Reconciliation Report- December 2024

Recommend Board approval of the Panda LLC Cash Reconciliation report for – December 31, 2024.

7. Budget Transfers - December 2024

Recommend Board approval of the budget transfer report for December 2024.

8. 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 **December 31**, **2024**, 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.

9. 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 |
|---------|------------------------|---|--------------|---------------------|-------------|----------|
| Various | Daniel Cavalli | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Louis Rettino | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Devin Cooper | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Jack Velcamp | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Eamon Kitson | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Ryan Meyers | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Jonathan Troise | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Danielle McCoy | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Alexandra Carroll | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Laura Grande | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Alex Cafiero | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
| Various | Christopher Juliano | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |

| Various | Gabrielle Eglinton | Fundamentals of Coaching | \$60 | \$0 | Own Time | Online |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--|-------|--------|-------------|----------------------|
| 2-26-25 | Kerri Bress | School Health & The Law | \$150 | \$26 | Full | Monroe, NJ |
| 3-27-25 to 3-28-25 | Lindsey McPherson | 2025 NJ Speech Language Hearing Association Convention | \$255 | \$300 | Full | Atlantic City, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Tara Flynn | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Jared Gonsalves | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Arianna Hoffman | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Robert Miller | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Alyssa Schulte | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Elisa Verran | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Chrissy Fabrico | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-11-25 | Patrick Karl | Tour of Integrated Care Concepts | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Tinton Falls, NJ |
| 2-7-25 | Christopher Quinn | NJFCA Football Clinic | \$65 | \$0 | Full | Edison, NJ |
| 2-7-25 | Jeremy Schulte | NJFCA Football Clinic | \$65 | \$25 | Full | Edison, NJ |
| 4-25-25 to 4-27-25 | Sarah Fitzgerald | Learning and Brain Conference | \$649 | \$1250 | Full | New York, NY |
| Various | Robert Orrok | Precision Nutrition Level 1 Certification | \$599 | \$0 | n/a | Online |
| 3-11-25 | Megan Rizzitello | 2025 NJECC Annual Educational Technology Conference | \$135 | \$55 | Full | Montclair, NJ |

| 3-28-25 | Alyssa Schulte | Monmouth & Ocean County School Counselors Good Idea Counselor | \$0 | \$5 | Full | Lincroft, NJ |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---|-------|-------|------------|----------------------|
| 2-17-25 | Justin Langlois | NJASL 2025 Virtual Min Conference | \$10 | \$0 | Full | Virtual |
| 3-5-25 | Lauren Malaney | TCNJ Educational Opportunities | \$0 | \$25 | Full | Ewing, NJ |
| 2-17-25 | Hannah Phillips | Tour of Fort Monmouth Adult Day Program | \$0 | \$0 | Half PM | Oceanport , NJ |
| 3-27-25 to 3-28-25 | Jonathan Pennetti | NSTA National Conference on Science Education | \$450 | \$500 | Full | Philadelph ia, PA |
| 2-18-25 | Seth Herman | Legal One: Developing the Comprehensive Equity Plan | \$125 | \$0 | Full | Virtual |

10. Approval of Donation

Recommend Board approval of a donation of \$2,000 from the RFH Booster Club to help fund Girls Flag Football.

11. Approval of Donation

Recommend Board approval of a donation of \$2,000 from the RFH Touchdown Club to help fund Girls Flag Football.

12. Approval of Donation

Recommend Board approval of a donation of \$29,275 from the RFH Booster Club for the purchase of a new Pole Vault and High Jump Pits with weather covers.

EDUCATION

The superintendent recommends education items #13-16

13. Approval of Field Trip Request(s) for the 2024-2025 School Year as listed

Recommend Board approval of the following field trip request(s) for the 2024-2025 school year:

| DATE | DESTINATION | CLUB/CLASS | ADVISOR/ CHAPERONES |
|------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| February 6 | Red Bank Primary School Juanitos, Red Bank | Spanish V | Yannell Maglione Patricia Beattie |
| February 6 | Deane Porter Elementary School | Student Government Association | Nicholas DelBuono |

14. Approval of Fundraising Request(s) for the 2024-2025 School Year as listed

Recommend board approve the following fundraising request(s) for the 2024-2025 school year:

| DATE | CLUB/PROGRAM | ADVISOR(S) | ACTIVITY |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--|
| January 22 - February 28 | Key Club | Jeremy Schulte | Collect sweatshirts for Hoodies for the Homeless |
| Week of February 14 | Health Career Club | Lauren Butler | Valentine's Day Bake Sale |
| Month of March | Character Ed | Alyssa Trocchia | Collection for Covenant House |
| Month of March | Character Ed | Alyssa Trocchia | Book Drive for Bridge of Books |
| March 19 | Fashion Club | Kristen Lanfrank | Recycled Clothing Thrift Event |
| May 4 | Ridge Road Alliance | Jeremy Schulte | Ridge Road Run |

15. Approval of Home Instruction

Recommend Board approval of home instruction for the 2024 - 2025 school year as listed:

| STUDENT NO. | TIME FRAME | REASON | PROVIDER/COST |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------|---|
| 27001050 | 12/17/24-2/21/25 10 hours per week | Medical | RFH Faculty/ \$55 per hour MOESC \$75 per hour Math/Science |

16. Approval of Sidebar Agreement

Recommend Board approval of the sidebar agreement between Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School Board of Education and the Rumson-Fair Haven Regional School Employees Association to begin the 2025 - 2026 school year on Wednesday, August 27, 2025 as per **Attachment A**.

POLICY & PLANNING

The superintendent recommends Policy & Planning items #17

17. Approval of First Reading of Policies and Regulations

Recommend Board approval of the first reading of the policies and regulations listed below:

- Policy 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying
- Policy 5533 Student Smoking
- Policy 5710 Student Grievance
- Policy 7441 Electronic Surveillance in School Buildings and on School Grounds
- Regulation 7441 Electronic Surveillance in School Buildings and on School Grounds
- Policy 8500 Food Services
- Policy 9320 Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies
- Regulation 9320 Cooperation with Law Enforcement Agencies
- 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 February 4, 2025 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.

SIDEBAR AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE RUMSON-FAIR HAVEN REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE RUMSON-FAIR HAVEN REGIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

This Sidebar Agreement ("Agreement") is made this ______ day of January, 2025, between the Rumson-Fair Haven Regional Board of Education ("Board") and Rumson-Fair Haven Regional Education Association ("Association") (hereinafter "the Parties").

WHEREAS, the Board and Association are parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA") for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Article 21:6a of the CBA provides that effective for the 2023-2024 school year, the teacher work year shall include:

- (a) The total number of teacher days worked in a school year shall include the student calendar plus up to five (5) days, not to exceed 186 teacher work days. The five (5) additional teacher work days shall be scheduled by the Board for purposes of professional growth and staff meetings. Activities on these days will be scheduled to begin at 7:40 a.m. and to conclude at 2:40 p.m. with 30 minutes for lunch. Each of these days will provide six and one-half (6.5) hours of professional growth credit.
- (b) Two half-days of professional growth may be scheduled near the end of each semester. On those days the student day will begin at the regular time of 7:40 a.m. and will conclude at 12:07 p.m. The professional growth activities will be scheduled to begin at 12:15 p.m. and to conclude at 3:15 p.m. No special lunch time will be provided because each participant will have had a lunch period of 27 minutes scheduled during the shortened student day. Each of these days will provide three (3) hours of professional growth credit.
- (c) These additional teacher days and two half-days of professional growth referenced above (a, b) will be scheduled in addition to the twenty (20) days for meetings that are permitted by Article 21:5 of this Agreement.
- (d) RFH will schedule a delayed opening one Wednesday a month during each month of the school year for staff professional development. Staff professional development will run from 7:30 am 9:00 am on the Delayed Opening Wednesdays.

AND, WHEREAS, Article 22:1(b) of the CBA provides that a four-day summer work schedule for maintenance employees shall be established with notice given no later than May 15th of the preceding school year. The terms of the program are as follows:

From July 1 through August 31, Maintenance shall work an eight (8) hour and forty-five (45) minute work day (based on a 40 hour work week worked in four days). The 5th week day removed from Maintenance schedule will be on a Monday or Friday. The Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds or his designee will establish a schedule and assign maintenance employees based on a four day work week to ensure that there is maintenance coverage in the district. The fifth day removed from the maintenance summer work week will be assigned by the chief school administrator or his/her designee. In the event school for students opens the week after August 31, the four (4) day summer work week will not be effectuated for that week.

AND, WHEREAS, Article 23.1 of the CBA provides:

23.1 A four (4) day summer work schedule for secretaries shall be established with notice given no later than May 15 of the preceding school year. The chief school administrator will establish the schedule to reflect the Friday or Monday that school will be closed. The terms of the summer work schedule are as follows: From July 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022 secretaries shall work a seven (7) hour and thirty (30) minute work day (based on a thirty (30) hour work week worked in four (4) days).

WHEREAS, the Parties have reached an agreement with respect to the end of the 2025 summer, start and end of the 25-26 school year, and start of the 2026 summer hours;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED, as follows:

- 1. Effective upon ratification of this Agreement, and from discussions of the school calendar for 2025–2026 school year, the parties agree that having the teachers work two (2) days in August 2025 is desirable. The Association will agree that the school year shall begin on August 27 and 28, 2025, and summer hours shall end for maintenance and secretaries on August 26, 2025. The parties also agree that the school year shall end by June 19, 2026 and summer hours for the 2026 summer will begin by June 29, 2026. The exception to extend the end of the school year beyond June 19, 2026 is if all emergency snow days have been exhausted and there is a need to add days to the end of the school year to satisfy the 180 student day mandate.
- 2. The terms and conditions of this Agreement are subject to ratification and approval by the Board.
- 3. The provisions of this Agreement shall not constitute binding precedent and shall not become past practice.

- 4. This Agreement contains the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties and constitutes a full and final agreement on any and all issues relating to this matter, except that the parties reserve their right to enforce this Agreement, if necessary.
- 5. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Jersey.
- 6. If a specific clause of the Agreement is determined to be illegal or in violation of any Federal or State law, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected by such a ruling and shall remain in full force and effect.
- 7. The Parties shall be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement, finding it to be in the best interests of the public, consistent with public policy, fair and equitable under all circumstances surrounding this matter.
- 8. The Parties have entered into this Agreement freely and voluntarily with a full understanding of their rights and the contents of this Agreement.
- 9. The Agreement may not be altered, amended or modified except in writing, signed and duly authorized by all parties.
- 10. The Parties acknowledge that they had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel and/or representatives of their choice regarding this Agreement and represent that they have read this Agreement and fully understand and agree to be bound by it. The Parties also acknowledge that they have been provided with a reasonable period of time within which to consider the terms of this Agreement prior to its execution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereunder have caused the Sidebar Agreement to be duly executed this day.

| For the Board: | For the S.E.A.: |
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| Anne Marie McGinty, BOE President | Thomas Highton, SEA President |
| Peter Righi, Interim Superintendent | Sean Cranston, Business Administrator/Board Secretary |