



Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, July 30, 2025
Time: 7:30 pm Regular Board Meeting
Location: Multi-Purpose Auditorium

1. **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order by the Superintendent at 7:42 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Auditorium of the Rumson School District, Rumson, NJ.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Notice of Meeting**

Announcement of this meeting has been sent to the Asbury Park Press, Two River Times, Rumson Borough Hall and the Oceanic Library, and an agenda has been posted on the Rumson School District website.

4. **Roll Call**

Mr. Brown	Absent	Mrs. Finney	Absent	Mrs. Sahadi	Absent
Mrs. DeSena	Absent	Mr. McManus	Present	Mrs. Scoble	Present
Mrs. Esposito	Present	Mr. Roberto	Present	Mrs. Swain	Present

Others Present: Dr. John E. Bormann, Superintendent and the public

5. **Welcome Visitors**

6. **Communications**

To permit the fair and orderly expression of comments, on agenda items, we ask that the public:

- Wait to be recognized
- Preface comments with your name and address
- Direct all comments to the presiding officer
- Discuss only concerns that have been previously addressed through proper administrative channels
- Refrain from using any pupil or staff member's name

The Board is happy to listen to all comments, but this may not be the forum for any and all questions.

7. **Correspondence - None**

8. **Approval of Minutes**

RECOMMENDATION

Approved the following minutes:

June 11, 2025 - Regular meeting minutes and closed session minutes

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mr. McManus

All in Favor: AYES: 5 Absent: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Feeney, Mrs. Sahadi, Mrs. DeSena

9. Report of the Superintendent

The Superintendent reported on the following activities and events:

- **Recognize Justine Otero for being selected to serve on the NJSLs-World Languages Standards NJDOE Expert Committee**
- **SSDS REPORT PRESENTATION**

Presented the Student Safety Data System (SSDS) report for June 12, 2025 to July 30, 2025

Incidents	Forrestdale	Deane-Porter	District	Incidents
# of total SSDS Incidents	0	0	0	NA
# of HIB Investigations	3	0	3	FD 24-25#06 FD 24-25#07 FD 24-25#08
# of HIB Incidents determined	2	0	2	FD 24-25#07 FD 24-25#08
# of Principal Determinations not resulting in an HIB Investigation	0	0	0	NA

- **Safety and Security Drill Report**

Report of the Safety and Security Report for June 12, 2025 to July 30, 2025

School	Type of Drill	Occupants Involved	Date and Time
DP/FD	Fire Drill	All Staff and Students	7/16/25 @ 9:30 am
DP/FD	Non-Emergent Lockdown	All Staff and Students	7/23/25 @ 9:30 am

Approved the following consent agenda item (a) upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mr. McManus

All in Favor: AYES: 5 Absent: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Feeney, Mrs. Sahadi, Mrs. DeSena

a. SSDS REPORT APPROVAL

Approved the Student Safety Data System (SSDS) report for May 22, 2025 to June 11, 2025

Incidents	Forrestdale	Deane-Porter	District	Incidents
# of total SSDS Incidents	0	0	0	NA
# of HIB Investigations	0	0	0	NA
# of HIB Incidents determined	0	0	0	NA
# of Principal Determinations not resulting in an HIB Investigation	0	0	0	NA

10. **Education Committee**

- **Report of Meeting**
- **Approved the following consent agenda items (a-k) upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:**

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mr. McManus

All in Favor: AYES: 5 Absent: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Feeney, Mrs. Sahadi, Mrs. DeSena

a. SSDS Submission

Presented and approved submission of the **SSDS** for report period January 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025 to the NJDOE.

b. SLEO Class III Shared Services Agreement

1. Approved **Shared Services Agreement** - Special Law Enforcement Officers III between the Rumson Borough Board of Education and the Borough of Rumson, for the period of September 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025
2. Approved the following **SLEO III Officers**, contracted through Borough of Rumson for the period of September 4, 2025 through June 18, 2026, to include days students are in session only, at the rate of \$40/hr.
 - Kevin Lovgren
 - Dawn Shields

c. Rumson After School Academy (R.A.S.A.) Rates

Approved the following 25-26 RASA rates:

- \$17/day
- \$14/child/day multiple children
- \$14/child/day full-time students

d. Athletics Plans

Approved the following 25-26 Athletic Plans:

- 25-26 Coaching Handbook
- 25-26 Parent-Student Sports Manual

e. Virtual or Remote Instructional Plan

Approved the **Chapter 27 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program Plan** for the 25-26 school year.

f. Mentoring Plan

Approved the 25-26 Mentoring Plan.

g. 25-26 Non-Resident Tuition Student Approval

Approved the following Non-Resident Tuition Student:

25-26 Grade	# Non-Residents	Tuition Fee
Grade 7	1 Non-Resident Student	\$14,500

h. Field Trips

Approved the following field trip as noted:

Class / Staff	Trip Description / Location	Cost to Student
4th Grade Rachel Walton Jesse Johnson <hr/> + Staff Chaperones + Nurse / Sub Nurse	<u>Sunflower Festival</u> Holland Ridge Farm 108 Rues Road Cream Ridge, NJ 08514	\$35 per student

i. **2025-2026 Academic Dates**

Approved the following 25-26 Academic Dates:

Schedule	Trimester 1	Trimester 2	Trimester 3
Start-End Dates	Sept. 4 - Dec. 5	Dec. 8 - March 16	March 17 - June 18
P/T Conferences	Nov 3, 4, 5	NA	April 14, 15, 16
Teachers Post Progress Reports to Genesis	Oct. 21	Feb 3	May 12
Progress Reports Live to Parents	Oct. 23	Feb 5	May 14
Teachers Post Report Cards to Genesis	Dec. 16	March 24	June 16
Report Cards Live to Parents	Dec. 18	March 26	June 23

j. **School Fundraisers and/or Events**

Approved the following school fundraiser:

Class / Group	Fundraiser	Date(s)
Gr 8 - Class of 2026 Tricia Zifchak Paulette Barham	School Tool Box Online Class Supplies	Start Date: 7/15/25 End Date:9/01/25

k. **Work Based Learning program**

Approved the **Work Based Learning Program** for two (2) RFH Students in the 25-26 school year.

11. **Personnel Committee**

- **Report of Meeting**
- **Approved the following consent agenda items (a-n) upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:**

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mr. McManus

All in Favor: AYES: 5 Absent: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Feeney, Mrs. Sahadi, Mrs. DeSena

a. **Resignation / Retirement**

1. Approved retroactive acceptance of the resignation from **Deanna Kostecki, Gr. 3 Teacher**, effective Thursday, June 26, 2025.
2. Approved the resignation of **Sarah Galyas, 1:1 Instructional Aide**, effective September 1, 2025.
3. To accept, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement from **Lauren Krystopowicz** effective July 31, 2025.
4. Accepted the resignation from **Joseph Sernal**, Gr. 4-8 Health and Phys Ed Teacher, effective July 22, 2025 (plus 60 days as needed).
5. Accepted the resignation from **Steven Muller**, F/T Custodian, effective August 14, 2025.

b. **Extended Maternity Leave**

Approved extended unpaid maternity leave for **Rebekah Schneider** for the full 25-26 school year.

c. Appointments

1. Approved **Dr. Matthew Miranda** as Acting Dean of Students beginning September 2, 2025 through on/about December 31, 2025 at his base salary plus 2 hrs/day at his hourly salary rate of \$58.11/hr during the time serving as Acting Dean of Students and reverting back to his base pay only, after the time assigned as Acting Dean of Students.
2. Retroactively approved **Dr. Matthew Miranda** for up to 25 hours at his hourly salary rate of \$58.11/hr for the time of July 1, 2025 through August 29, 2025 for preparation of responsibilities as Acting Dean of Students.
3. Approved the appointment of **Melanie Capalbo** as Art Teacher at Step BA 6, \$64,370 of the negotiated agreement between the Rumson Board of Education and the Rumson Education Association, to begin September 1, 2025, pending Criminal History. Pre-employment medical, and Child Protective Measures approval.
4. Approved the appointment of **Stephanie Stephan** as Grade 3 Teacher at Step MA+30, \$75,570 of the negotiated agreement between the Rumson Board of Education and the Rumson Education Association, to begin September 1, 2025, pending Criminal History. Pre-employment medical, and Child Protective Measures approval.
5. Approved the appointment of **Jennifer Mayer** as DP Cafeteria Aide at the rate of 2.5 hrs/day @ \$20.12/hr, 182 days per year to begin September 1, 2025, pending Criminal History Review approval, Pre-employment medical, and Child Protective Measures approval.
6. Approved the appointment of **Jenna Byrne** as Grade 6 1:1 Instructional Aide at Step 1, \$20.12/hr of the negotiated agreement between the Rumson Board of Education and the Rumson Education Association (Aides Unit), to begin September 1, 2025, pending Criminal History. Pre-employment medical, and Child Protective Measures approval.
7. Approved the appointment of **Meghan Ferone** as Pre-Kindergarten Instructional Aide at Step 7, \$21.37/hr of the negotiated agreement between the Rumson Board of Education and the Rumson Education Association (Aides Unit), to begin September 1, 2025, pending Criminal History. Pre-employment medical, and Child Protective Measures approval.

d. Position Transfer

Approved transferring **Gianna Carofine** from the PT Library Aide position to the PT Forrestdale Receptionist position for the 25-26 school year.

e. Leave Replacement

1. Approved **Kristina Mendez** as the Grade 4 Leave Replacement through ESS and paid by ESS at \$240/day from September 2, 2025 to on/or about November 23, 2025.
2. Approved **Sarah Galyas** as Kindergarten ICR Leave Replacement for 25-26 school year, through ESS at \$240/day, including 11 sick days and 4 personal days.

f. Salary Adjustment

Approved a salary adjustment retroactive to July 1, 2025 for **Michael Damiano** to a new salary of \$50,201 plus extra pay for Groundskeeper of \$3,400.

g. New Staff Bulldog Buddy / Mentor

Approved the following new staff Bulldog Buddy / Mentor:

Position	New Staff Member	Bulldog Buddy/ Mentor	Hours/Rate of Pay Bulldog Buddy / Mentor
Kindergarten ICR Leave	Sarah Galyas	Sara Stanziola	August 7, 2025

		Bulldog Buddy & Mentor (Mentor Fee - \$550 through ESS)	6 hrs @ \$40/hr
Art Teacher	Melanie Capalbo	Robin Yaeger Bulldog Buddy <hr/> Matthew Miranda Bulldog Buddy	August 7, 2025 6 hrs each @\$40/hr
Grade 4	Shannon Mazurick	Pam Mannion, Bulldog Buddy & Mentor (Mentor Fee - \$550)	August 7, 2025 6 hrs each @\$40/hr
Grade 3	Stephanie Stephan	Katie Gregory, Bulldog Buddy	August 7, 2025 6 hrs each @\$40/hr

h. ScIP, SCT, SEL, TA, and Team Members

Approved the following 25-26 Team Leaders/School Improvement Panel (ScIP), Social-Emotional Learning Team (SEL), School Climate Team (SCT) , and Threat Assessment Team (TA):

Deane-Porter	Forrestdale
<u>DP ScIP Team</u> Dr. Erin O'Connell, DP Principal Brooke Huff, K Lori Finnerty, 1 Sarah Kubala, 2 Alyse Newman, 3 Moira Barrett, DP Special Ed Liz Waters, DP Specials Bridget Albrizio, DP Intervention Services	<u>FD ScIP Team</u> Jennifer Gibbons, FD Principal Pam Mannion, 4 Aimee Humbert, 5 Sommer Vandeboe, 6 Jen Brown, 7 Lisa Eldridge, 8 Liza Little, FD Special Ed Lu Holmes, FD Specials Kim O'Connor, FD Intervention Services
<u>DP SEL Team</u> Dr. Michael Snyder, Director of Student Services Dr. Erin O'Connell, Principal/Law Enforcement Liaison Brittaney Berry, District Assistant Principal Jessica Piernik, Guidance Counselor Sarah Connolly, School Social Worker Kat Benny, Mindfulness Teacher Krisanne Zajac, School Nurse Dr. Ursula Glackin, SLP Durie Leidner, BCBA Stephanie Valdeon, OT	<u>FD SEL Team</u> Dr. Michael Snyder, Director of Student Services Jennifer Gibbons, Principal/ Law Enforcement Liaison Brittaney Berry, District Assistant Principal Spencer Austin, School Psychologist Allie Copman, Guidance Counselor Michael Dugan, Guidance Counselor Karin Masina, School Nurse Dr. Matthew Miranda, Art Teacher Lu Holmes, Health/PE Teacher Sandy Self, LDT-C Kat Benny, Mindfulness Teacher Durie Leidner, BCBA
<u>DP SCT</u> Jessica Piernik, Guidance Counselor & Chair Dr. Erin O'Connell, Principal/Law Enforcement Liaison Brittaney Berry, District Assistant Principal Krisanne Zajac, School Nurse Sarah Connolly, School Social Worker Dr. Ladan Ilkhani Khorrami, Parent Ciara D'agostino, Parent Bryan Dougherty, Police Officer	<u>FD SCT Team</u> Allie Copman, Guidance Counselor & Chair Michael Dugan, Guidance Counselor Jennifer Gibbons, Principal/Law Enforcement Liaison Brittaney Berry, District Assistant Principal Spencer Austin, School Psychologist Lu Holmes, Health/PE Teacher Karin Masina, School Nurse Dr. Carmela Rocchetti, Parent Bryan Dougherty, Police Officer Charlie Hoffman, Recreation Director

<u>DPTA Team</u> Patrick Sullivan, School Safety Specialist Dr. Erin O’Connell, Principal/Law Enforcement Liaison Dr. Michael Snyder, Director of Student Services Brittaney Berry, District Assistant Principal Jessica Piernik, Guidance Counselor Sarah Connolly, School Social Worker Spencer Austin, Psychologist Durie Leidner, BCBA Krisanne Zajac, Nurse	<u>FDTA Team</u> Patrick Sullivan, School Safety Specialist Jennifer Gibbons, Principal/Law Enforcement Liaison Dr. Michael Snyder, Director of Student Services Brittaney Berry, District Assistant Principal Spencer Austin, Psychologist Allie Copman, Guidance Counselor Michael Dugan, Guidance Counselor Karin Masina, Nurse Sandy Self, LDTC
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i. 2025 Kindergarten Programs

Approved and/or rescind the following Summer 2025 Kindergarten Programs/Events:

- Rescind Kindergarten Jumpstart Program 7/14/25-8/07/25 Mon-Thurs, 9-11am
- Approve Passport to Kindergarten 8/07/25 10-11:15am

j. Additional Compensation

Approved and/or rescind the following staff:

Program	Date/Time	Description	Location	Rate of Pay	Staff Members
<u>RESCIND</u> (4/30/25 Agenda) Kindergarten Jumpstart	7/14/25 - 8/07/25 Mon -Thurs 9:00 am- 12:00 pm	NA	NA	40 hrs at \$ 53/hr 6 hrs at \$40/hr	Jennie Lucci
<u>RESCIND</u> (5/21/25 Agenda) CI Robot 2025 PD	7/07/25 - 7/10/25	Virtual	NA	NA	Janice Lake
<u>Retroactively Approve</u> Grade 8 ELA Curriculum Introduction	N/A	N/A	Forrestdale	6 hrs @ \$40/hr	Madeline Malave
Summer Transition Math	7/14/25-7/17/25 7/21/25-7/24/25 9:00 am to 10:00 am	NA	Forrestdale	8 hrs @ \$53/hr 4 hrs prep @ \$40/hr	Sommer VanDeBoe
Passport to Kindergarten Parent and Child Event	7/10/25 and 7/24/25	Planning and Preparation Meetings	Deane-Porter	8 hrs @ \$40/hr each	Durie Leidner Brooke Huff Stephanie Valdeon Sarah Stanziola Gina Strack Marla Beil
Passport to Kindergarten Parent and Child Event	7/10/25 and 7/24/25	Planning and Preparation Meetings	Deane-Porter	20 hrs @ \$40/hr	Jennie Lucci
Passport to Kindergarten Parent and Child Event	7/10/25 and 7/24/25	Planning and Preparation Meetings	Deane-Porter	6 hrs @ \$40/hr	Karen Newman
Passport to Kindergarten Parent and Child Event	8/07/25 9:30am-11:30am	Passport event	Deane-Porter	2 hs @ \$53/hr each	Karen Newman Brooke Huff Sara Stanziola Jennie Lucci Stephanie Valdeon

k. **25-26 Certification Salary Adjustment**

Approved the following Certification Salary Adjustments:

Staff Member	Certificate Title	Expiration Date	Amount
Jamie Caruso	ASHA - CCC-SLP	12/31/2025	\$1,400
Ursula Glackin	ASHA - CCC-SLP	12/31/2025	\$1,400

l. **25-26 Extra Curricular Appointments**

Approved and/or rescind the following 2025-2026 Extra-Curricular appointments:

1. **Deane-Porter School: Clubs:**

Deane-Porter Clubs	Rate of Pay	# Advisors	Staff Member
Math Club Gr. 1	\$1,060.00	1 Split	Sarah Galyas

2. **Athletic**

Sport	Rate of Pay	# Coaches	Staff Member
<u>RESCIND</u> (May 21 agenda) Soccer (Girls) Gr 6-8	\$3180.00	1 split	Joe Sernal
<u>RESCIND</u> (May 21 agenda) Basketball (Girls) Gr 6-8	\$4770.00	1 split	Joe Sernal
<u>RESCIND</u> (May 21 agenda) Baseball Gr 6-8	\$3180.00	1 split	Joe Sernal
Basketball (Boys) Gr. 6-8	\$4,770.00	1 split	William Dodich
Basketball (Girls) Gr. 6-8	\$4,770.00	1 split	John Bellavance
Soccer (Girls) Gr. 6-8	\$3,180.00	1 split	William Dodich

3. **District Positions**

Position	Rate of Pay	#Advisors	Staff Member
RASA Substitutes	<u>Correction</u> 25-26 Rate of Pay Was: \$65/day (w/o cert) Correction: \$72/day (w/o cert)	1+ each	Edward Downey(cert) Joya-Thompson Scimeca Madelaine Barbeito Jennifer Ganun (cert) Meghan O'Connor
Head Night Custodian (retro to July 1, 2025)	\$2,800.00	1	Dylan Teffeteller

m. **2025 Summer Orientations**

Approved and/or rescind the 2025 Summer Orientation dates and staff:

Summer Orientation	Date / Time	Amount Paid	Hours	Staff Member
Kindergarten Orientation Teachers	Thurs, 8/21/25 9:30 am-10:30 am	ESS Contracted Rate , paid by ESS	Up to 3 hrs	Sarah Gaylas

Grade 4 Orientation Teacher	Tues, 8/26/25 1:00pm - 2:00pm	ESS Contracted Rate, Paid by ESS	Up to 2 hrs	Kristina Mendez
<u>RESCIND</u> IEP Meeting Participant	As needed	Salary Rate	As needed	Deanne Kostecki

n. Tools of the Mind Onboard Training

Approved Tools of the Mind Onboard training classes as follows:

Staff Member	Description	Date / Hours	Rate of Pay
Rachel Hayes Amy Powell _____ Jennifer Ganun (ESS)	Tools of the Mind Onboard Training	8/05/25; 8/06/25	Salary Rate _____ Salary Rate Paid by ESS
Rachel Hayes Amy Powell _____ Jennifer Ganun (ESS)	Tools of the Mind Onboard Training	11/19/25; 1/22/26 & 3/18/26	NA _____ Salary Rate Paid by ESS

12. Finance and Facilities Committee

- **Report of Meeting**
- **Approved the following consent agenda items (a-j) upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:**

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mr. McManus

All in Favor: AYES: 5 Absent: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Feeney, Mrs. Sahadi, Mrs. DeSena

a. Board Secretary's Monthly Certification

Accepted the Board Secretary's Monthly Certification Budgetary Line Item Status Report:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, I certify that as of May 31, 2025 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Board Secretary

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b. Bills & Claims

1. Approved the final bills lists for June 30, 2025 and July 30, 2025

June 30, 2025

Fund 11 \$ 201,938.60
Fund 12 \$ 1,595.00
Fund 20 \$ 14,234.23
Fund 60 \$ 36,430.88
Fund 61 \$ 100.72
Total: \$ 254,299.43

July 30, 2025

Fund 11 \$ 773,945.49
Fund 12 \$ 28,778.08
Total: \$ 802,723.57

2. Approved the following gross payroll expenses:

June 18, 2025 \$ 462,921.40
June 30, 2025 \$ 935,328.07
July 15, 2025 \$ 222,513.50
July 30, 2025 \$ 142,282.02

c. Board Secretary's Report/Monthly Reconciliation Report

Accepted the Board Secretary's Report to the Board of Education for the month ending May 31, 2025 including a report of amounts appropriated, expended, and transferred into or out of any item of appropriation, and to note that the report has been reconciled with PANDA, LLC Reconciliation Service.

Accepted the Monthly Certification Budgetary Major Account Fund Status Report:

RESOLVED: that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2-11(c)4 the Board certifies that as of May 31, 2025, after review of the Board Secretary's and monthly financial reports, in the minutes of the Board each month no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b).

d. **Transfers**

Approved the Board to ratify transfers made in the past 30 days by the Chief School Administrator within the 2024-2025 budget.

e. **Use of Facilities**

Approved the following facility use request: (*retroactive approval)

Organization	Use Request	Date / Time	Location	Fees
RFH Youth Cheer Deanna Adamo	RFH Youth Cheer	9/10/25, 9/17/25 5:30-6:30 pm	FD Gym	Class IV Fee \$237.50
		9/18/25, 9/25/25 6:30-7:30 pm		
		9/19/25 5:30-7:30 pm		
		9/22/25 6:00-8:00 pm		
		9/24/25 5:30-8:00 pm		
Rumson Police Training Michael Berger	Police Training Deane-Porter	11/06/25, 11/07/25 7:00 am - 3:00 pm	DP Gym	NA
Trinity Hall Corp. Cindy Sobieski	School Performance for Queen's Court Co. Theater Group	11/16/25 9:00 am-4:00 pm	MPR	Class IV Fee \$4,286
		11/17/25; 11/18/14; 11/19/25; 3/02/26; 3/03/26; 3/04/26; 3/05/26 3:30 pm - 8:30 pm		Add'l Weekend Custodial fees @ \$59/hr
		11/20/26; 11/21/26; 3/06/26; 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm		Tech Support @ \$50/hr
		11/22/25; 3/08/26 12:00 pm - 5:30 pm		
		3/01/26 10:00 am - 12:00 pm		
		3/07/26 12:00 pm - 10:00 pm		

f. 2025-2026 IDEA Basic and IDEA Preschool Handicapped Grants

Approved the submission of the 2025-2026 IDEA Basic grant in the amount of \$297,076, inclusive of \$17,139 in non-public share and the 2025-2026 IDEA Preschool Handicapped grant in the amount of \$11,908 to the New Jersey State Department of Education.

g. 25-26 Student Transportation Routes

Approved renewal of the following student **transportation routes** for 2025-2026 with **R. Helfrich & Son, Inc.:**

<u>Route Number</u>	<u>Renewal Rate</u>	<u>Route Number</u>	<u>Renewal Rate</u>
H1/101	\$ 32,153.92	H1/106	\$ 32,153.92
H1/102	\$ 32,153.92	H1/107	\$ 32,153.92
H1/103	\$ 32,153.92	H1/108	\$ 37,081.91
H1/104	\$ 32,153.92	H2/109	\$ 35,456.14
H1/105	\$ 32,153.92	H 110	\$ 31,053.00

h. 457 (b) Provider and Roth option to the 457 (b) Plan

Approved **Security Benefit** as a 457 (b) Plan provider for the Rumson Board of Education and Approved adding a Roth option to the 457 (b) plan.

i. Long Range Facilities Plan

“BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rumson Board of Education Approved the amendment of the Long Range Facilities Plan to address the five-year reporting requirements and to be consistent with proposed school facilities projects. Further, the Board authorizes Spiezle Architectural Group Inc, to make the submission to the Department of Education on behalf of the district.”

j. Resolution to Increase the Bid Threshold

WHEREAS, Denise McCarthy, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, possesses a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) certificate;

WHEREAS, the State Treasurer, in consultation with the Governor and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-7 and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (b), has increased the bid threshold amount for school districts with a Qualified Purchasing Agent, from \$44,000 to \$53,000, effective July 1, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rumson Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), establishes and sets the bid threshold amount of \$53,000 for the school district, and further authorizes the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, to award contracts, in full accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), for those purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate of the newly established bid threshold amount.

Furthermore, for contracts in the aggregate that are less than the bid threshold but fifteen (15%) or more of the amount, the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall award contracts after soliciting at least two competitive quotations.

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37 (c), is authorized to award contracts that are in the aggregate less than fifteen (15%) percent of the bid threshold without soliciting competitive quotations.

13. Planning Committee

14. Policy Committee - No meeting held

15. New Business

- **PTO Liaison report**
- **REF Liaison report**

16. Communications

To permit the fair and orderly expression of comments we ask that the public:

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17. Executive Session - None

18. Roll Call upon return to public session - None

19. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm

Moved: Mrs. Swain Seconded: Mr. McManus

All in Favor: AYES: 5 Absent: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Feeney, Mrs. Sahadi, Mrs. DeSena

Respectfully submitted by,

Dr. John E. Bormann, Superintendent

Dated: July 30, 2025