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NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The Board of Trustees of Ramapo College of New Jersey has proposed the following calendar of regular meetings:

- October 6, 2025 (Annual Meeting)
- February 9, 2026
- April 27, 2026
- May 6, 2026 (Annual Budget Hearing at 10:00 a.m.)
- June 29, 2026

Unless otherwise noted, the Board's regular meetings will take place in the Trustees Pavilion at 505 Ramapo Valley Road in Mahwah, NJ 07430. Work Sessions commence at 3:30 p.m. and Regular Public Sessions commence at 6:00 p.m. It is anticipated that official action will be taken at the public session meetings.

Further, the Executive/Judicial Committee of the Board of Trustees of Ramapo College of New Jersey has proposed the following calendar of meetings:

- September 19, 2025
- January 23, 2026
- April 10, 2026
- June 11, 2026

Unless otherwise noted, the Committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. in Room 520 of the Anisfield School of Business at 505 Ramapo Valley Road in Mahwah, NJ 07430. It is anticipated that official action will be taken at these meetings.



Ramapo College of New Jersey

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

February 9, 2026

Trustees Pavilion

505 Ramapo Valley Road, Mahwah, NJ 07430

4:00PM Work Session

6:00PM Regular Public Session

www.ramapo.edu/board

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Ramapo College Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

February 2026 RCNJ Board of Trustees Meeting

I. Call to Order/ Open Public Meeting Act Statement of Compliance

Albie Nieves

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act, notice of the time, date, and location of this meeting was mailed to The Record and the North Jersey Herald and News, posted on the College's website, on the State's website, and on the bulletin board outside the Office of the Dean of Students,.

II. Work Session

i. Campaign Feasibility/Readiness Study

On January 23, executive members of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Governors met with Graham Pelton on the findings of the firm's fundraising campaign study. On January 29, the full Board of Governors met with Graham Pelton. At that meeting, the Board of Governors unanimously endorsed pursuit of a five-year campaign.

*Chris
Romano,
Diane
Couzens*

[A. Ramapo College of New Jersey - Final Report Presentation, January 26, 2026.pdf - 7](#)

ii. Identification of Theme(s) for the Board's 2026 Retreat

Albie Nieves

Trustees are encouraged to advance themes for consideration. Some of the suggestions advanced thus far from EJC and NGC include: Headwinds Confronting Higher Education; College Pursuit of National Distinction; and Strategic Planning Progress: Institutional, Academic, Capital.

III. Trustees Dinner

i. 5:15PM Resolution to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel and/or attorney/client privileged matters

Albie Nieves

A. Executive Session

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

IV. Open/Public Regular Session

i. Reiterate Call to Order/Statement of Compliance

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ii. Roll Call

*Brittany Williams-Goldstein
Albie Nieves*

iii. Statement Regarding Public Comment

Individuals wishing to address the Board during the public comment period are to sign in with Brittany Williams-Goldstein. Individuals wishing to speak during the comment period must provide their name and the topic they intend to address. Each speaker is provided three minutes to present their comment. The Chair of the Board may change the three-minute time period upon a demonstrated need for more time for the public comment period.

V. Report of the Chair

i. Swearing in of New Trustees: Stephan Lally '20, Brady O'Connor '20

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I, FIRST AND LAST NAME, of full age being duly sworn according to law,
do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, and that I will faithfully, impartially, and justly perform all the duties of a member of the Board of Trustees of Ramapo College of New Jersey,
according to the best of my abilities and understanding.

[A. Statement of Trustee Responsibility & Oath of Office.pdf - 58](#)

ii. Introduction of the Minutes

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A. Approval of the Public Session Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on October 6, 2025

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B. Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on October 6, 2026

[a. BOT Mtg Mins October 2026 Open and Closed.pdf - 68](#)

iii. Approval of Items on the Consent Agenda

A. Resolution Confirming Acquisition and Purchase Price of 511 Ramapo Valley Road

[a. Dec Item & Res Confirming Acquisition and Purchase Price of 511 Ramapo Valley Road.pdf - 77](#)

B. Resolutions (5) Awarding Emeritus Status to

Professors Robert Becklen, Timothy Burns, Angela Cristini, Susan Eisner, and the Giovanni Viglino

a. Dec Item & Resolutions Awarding Emeritus February 2026.pdf - 79

C. Resolution Approving Sabbatical Leaves AY 26-27

a. Decision Item and Resolution Sabbatical Leave for 2026-2027.pdf - 86

D. Motion to Supplement June 2022 List of Graduates

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VI. Liaison Reports

i. Report of Trustee Liaison to the EOF Program

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ii. Report of Trustee Liaison to the NJ Association of State Colleges and Universities

AJ Sabath '93

iii. Report of Trustee Liaison to the Alumni Association

AJ Sabath '93

iv. Report of Trustee Liaison to the Board of Governors

*Susan Vallario
for George C.
Ruotolo Jr.,
CFRE*

Materials Pending

VII. Report of the President

VIII. Report of the Student Trustee

IX. Committee Reports

i. Resources Committee

AJ Sabath '93

A. RC Meeting Report: Open and Closed

B. RC Meeting Report: Open Only

C. Resolution Approving Bid Waiver

a. Dec. Item and Res. Approving Bid Waiver Feb 2026.pdf - 110

D. Roll Call Vote: Resolution Approving Feb. 2026 Lists of Personnel Actions: Appointments, Reappointments, Reappointments with Tenure

The awarding of Accelerated Tenure/Tenure by Exceptional Action requires a roll call vote and approval of two-thirds of the trustees.

a. Dec Item and Res Personnel Actions - February 2026 Final.pdf - 112

ii. Mission Fulfillment Committee

Susan Vallario

A. MFC Meeting Report

B. Presentation of Faculty Awarded Emeritus Status

Dean Petkus will present Susan Eisner and Timothy Burns. Dean Ray will present Robert Becklen. Dean Chan will present Angela Cristini and Gio Viglino. A moment of silence will be observed for the awarding of emeritus posthumously to Timothy Burns and Gio Viglino.

Michael Middleton, Ed Petkus, Kathleen Ray, Benny Chan

C. Presentation of Faculty Earning Tenure with Promotion

Dean Chan will present Professors Jobrack, Tweneboah, and Yuster. Dean Hangen will present Professors Jackson and Sidorsky.

Michael Middleton

iii. Executive/Judicial Committee

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A. EJC Meeting Report

iv. Audit Committee

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A. AC Meeting Report

v. Nominations & Governance Committee

Chris Lopez

A. NGC Meeting Report

X. Shared Governance Reports

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i. Faculty Assembly

Ken McMurdy

ii. Ramapo Staff Association

Karley Berrios

iii. Student Government Association

Liz Mendicino

XI. Public Comment

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XII. Information Items

For discussion upon inquiry from the Board.

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i. Teaching & Learning Core

A. Report of Provost Middleton

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