

RAMBLEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL
8505 W. Atlantic Blvd, Coral Springs, FL. 33071
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
August 27, 2026
8:15 AM

- I. Call to Order – Welcome
 - a. Introduction – Faculty Members, Parent Representatives, Community/Business Representatives
- II. Old Business
 - a. Approval of Minutes May 28, 2026
 - b. Secretary
- III. SAC By Laws
- IV. SC Membership –
 - a. SAF Chair,
 - b. ESOL Representative,
 - c. ESE Rep,
 - d. Gifted Rep,
 - e. I-Zone Rep,
 - f. SAF Representative –
- V. Review of May Meeting Minutes
- VI. Principal's Update – Mr. Kirk
 - a. BTM powerpoint
 - b. 3-3-3 Attendance
- VII. SAC Accountability Funds
 - a. -Current balance: \$0
- VIII. SIP Review – Mrs. Pladley
 - a. FUN Friday
 - b. Reward Room
- IX. School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR) – Mr. Kirk
- X. Safety Update - Mr. Dearen
- XI. Department Introductions
- XII. Parent Education – Focus

NEXT SAC MEETING IS Thursday
September 24, 2026, 8:15 AM

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I. CALL TO ORDER – WELCOME

The School Advisory Council (SAC) meeting was called to order at 8:16am. Members and attendees were welcomed to the first SAC meeting of the 2026–2027 school year.

II. OLD BUSINESS

a. Approval of Minutes – May 28, 2026

The May 28, 2026 SAC meeting minutes were presented for review. A motion was made by Cassandra Allen and seconded by Merissa Penaloza to approve the minutes. The motion carried, and the May 28, 2026 SAC meeting minutes were approved.

III. SAC BYLAWS

The SAC bylaws were provided to members for review. A motion was made by Mr. Kirk and seconded by Carin Flores to approve the SAC bylaws. The motion carried, and the SAC bylaws were approved.

IV. SAC MEMBERSHIP

The Council reviewed SAC membership positions requiring representatives for the 2026–2027 school year.

a. SAF Chair – The Council recognized the need for a SAF Chair to represent the school at district-level meetings and report relevant information back to the SAC. Xandria Major nominated Cassandra Allen to continue as SAF chair. A motion was made Karen Novak and seconded by Kelly kerns. The motion carried. Susan Hewitt was approved as the I-Zone representative.

b. ESOL Representative – The Council discussed the need for an ESOL representative. No representative was finalized during the meeting.

c. ESE Representative – Karen Novak was nominated to serve as the ESE representative. A motion was made by Carin Flores and seconded by Cassandra Allen. The motion carried. Karen Novak was approved as the ESE representative.

d. Gifted Representative – Melissa LaSalle was nominated to serve as the Gifted representative. A motion was made by Merissa Penaloza and seconded by Kelly Kerns. The motion carried. Melissa LaSalle was approved as the Gifted representative.

e. I-Zone Representative – The Council discussed the responsibilities of the I-Zone representative, including attending periodic district/zone meetings and communicating information regarding upcoming events, matriculation, and initiatives within the zone. Susan Hewitt was nominated to serve. A motion was made by Jennifer Walsh and seconded by Melanie Farber. The motion carried. Susan Hewitt was approved as the I-Zone representative.

f. SAF Representative – The Council discussed the role of the SAF representative and the importance of communicating district-level information and concerns to the school community. Nicole Pladley nominated Xandria Major to be SAF Chair. The motion was made by Melanie Farber and seconded by Natalie Williams. The motion carried. Xandria Major was approved as the SAC Chair. Xandria Major nominated Nicole Pladley to be SAF Co-Chair

and Secretary. The motion was made by Mr. Kirk and seconded by Sabrina Rodriguez. The motion carried. Nicole Pladley was approved as the SAC Co-Chair and secretary.

V. REVIEW OF MAY MEETING MINUTES

The Council reviewed and approved the May 28, 2026 SAC meeting minutes as noted under Old Business. The approved minutes were accepted as the official record of the May 28, 2026 meeting.

VI. PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE – MR. KIRK

a. BTM / "See Something, Say Something" Presentation – Mr. Kirk provided an update regarding school safety and the district's "See Something, Say Something" campaign. The importance of reporting potentially dangerous or suspicious situations was emphasized. Parents were encouraged to monitor social media activity and report threats or concerning posts promptly.

b. 3-3-3 Attendance Initiative – Mr. Kirk introduced the school's 3-3-3 attendance initiative: up to 3 absences, 3 early sign-outs, and 3 tardies per quarter. Students exceeding any limit may become ineligible for certain extracurricular activities during the following quarter. Attendance will be monitored by administrators and counselors, and students approaching the limit will be notified. Legitimate medical and other extenuating circumstances may be considered.

Last year, Ramblewood enrolled approximately 1,040 students. Approximately 599 students missed more than 10 days, nearly 400 missed up to 20 days, approximately 45 missed between 20 and 40 days, and approximately 40 missed between 40 and 75 days.

Additional updates included approximately 1,100 current students, approximately 600 reassigned students, full staffing including a new science teacher, FAST PM1 ELA on September 9, 2026, FAST PM1 Mathematics on September 16, 2026, student laptop distribution based on need, completion of back-to-school forms through FOCUS, the requirement that students carry school IDs, Open House on August 27 from 6:00–7:30 PM, the JP Taravella College Fair on September 23, beginning sports seasons, and appreciation for the new PTA board.

VII. SAC ACCOUNTABILITY FUNDS

The current SAC Accountability Fund balance was reported as \$0.00. The funds from the previous school year had been fully utilized.

VIII. SIP REVIEW – MRS. PLADLEY

a. Fun Friday – Fun Friday will continue as a student incentive designed to encourage positive academic performance, attendance, behavior, and school engagement. Students must meet established eligibility requirements, including no D's or F's, no suspensions, and compliance with the 3-3-3 attendance initiative.

b. Reward Room – The Reward Room will continue during the 2026–2027 school year. Teachers distribute reward tickets to students demonstrating positive behaviors, kindness, academic effort, and appropriate classroom conduct. Students selected may visit the Reward Room during lunch with two friends. Donations and volunteers may be needed to continue supporting incentives.

IX. SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY INCIDENT REPORTING (SESIR) – MR. KIRK

Mr. Kirk provided information regarding school safety and incident reporting. The importance of promptly reporting concerns was emphasized. Parents were encouraged to communicate with the school and appropriate authorities regarding threats or safety concerns, including concerning social media activity.

X. SAFETY UPDATE – MR. DEAREN

Mr. Dearen provided a school safety update. Arrival and dismissal procedures are operating effectively, and after-school activities continue to be monitored. Families were thanked for their cooperation with student pick-up and transportation procedures. Members were encouraged to contact school administration with safety-related questions or concerns.

XI. DEPARTMENT INTRODUCTIONS

Mathematics – Teachers reviewed prior-year data and identified priority standards. The department established a goal of increasing overall proficiency by three percentage points and reported approximately 71% proficiency on FAST PM3 last year. PLCs will continue to guide instructional priorities.

Social Studies – The department reported 80% Civics proficiency last year and established a goal of at least 82%. Initiatives include America 250, Constitution Day, September 11 recognition, Mock Election, Student Democracy in Action, the Sons of the American Revolution brochure contest, and Hispanic Heritage Month. The department will continue Civics EOC preparation.

English Language Arts – Teachers began the first CFA cycle and are using data to guide instruction. Sixth-grade students are focusing on point of view and related literary elements. Students are encouraged to read for pleasure, maintain a grade-level novel, and participate in CARE Wednesdays. FAST PM1 ELA is scheduled for September 9, 2026.

Electives / Career and Technical Education – The school welcomed new elective teachers and reported the return of Culinary. Additional opportunities include Physical Education, Chorus, Orchestra, Robotics Engineering, and potential Video Production. The school continues to expand CTE opportunities.

XII. PARENT EDUCATION – FOCUS

Parents were encouraged to establish and regularly use the FOCUS Student/Family Portal to monitor grades, attendance, assignments, and school communications. Parents needing assistance were encouraged to contact their child's teacher or school personnel. The Council emphasized family engagement in student progress.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned.

Next SAC Meeting: Thursday, September 24, 2026, at 8:15 AM.

★ SAC Sign in Sheet for Ramblewood MS (2711)

Date: <u>8/27/26</u>		Time: <u>8:15</u>		
#	Full Name	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Community/Business Sign Here
1	Natalie Williams		Mia & Colin	Natalie Williams
2	Krishna Rodriguez		Jason Rodriguez	Krishna Rodriguez
3	Jason Piner		MOREY	Jason Piner
4	Linda Smith		Cody	Linda Smith
5	Melanie Fisher		AP Serrano	Melanie Fisher
6	Kelly Kearns		Savannah Kearns	Kelly Kearns
7	Cassandra Allen		Archer Turninco	Cassandra Allen
8	Simevel Bonilla		Gustavo Vejar	Simevel Bonilla
9	Carin Flores		Jaxon Perry	Carin Flores
10	Susan Hewitt		Terzi/Dan Hewitt	Susan Hewitt
11	Joan O'Brien	✓		Joan O'Brien
12	PAUL PARADIS	✓	N/A	Paul Paradis
13	Merline Delva	✓	N/A	Merline Delva
14	Kimberly Price	✓		Kimberly Price
15	Innejeanette Washington-Collins	✓	N/A	Innejeanette Washington-Collins
16	Heather Wheatley		✓	Heather Wheatley
17	Wendy Casanova		✓	Wendy Casanova
18	Keniele Brown Henderson		✓	Keniele Brown Henderson
19	Andrea Banzin		✓	Andrea Banzin
20	Sabrina Rodriguez		✓	Sabrina Rodriguez

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Date: <u>8/27/26</u>		Time: <u>8:15</u>			
#	Full Name	SBBC Employee	Parent of Student	Community/Business	Sign Here
1	Alexa Hill	NO	YES		
2	Melissa Knalea	NO	YES		
3	Karen Nark	NO	YES		
4	Cathy Hill		YES		
5	Kate Conner D. Pasquare	NO	YES		
6	Jennifer Walker	YES	NO		Jennifer S Walker 
7	Isahai Phillips	NO	YES		
8	Michelle Richard		YES		Michelle Richard 
9	Melissa LaSalle		YES		M LaSalle 
10	Alice Tate	YES			
11	Karen Smith		NO		
12	Mariam Devash	YES	NO		Mariam Devash 
13	Xandrei Meyer	YES	NO		Xandrei Meyer 
14	Nicole Pladley	YES	NO		
15	ANDREW KIM	YES			
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