NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND AGENDA
July 8, 2020
Educational Services Center
395 South Pratt Parkway
Longmont, Colorado 80501

Joie Siegrist, President, Board of Education
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

DISTRICT VISION STATEMENT
To be an exemplary school district which inspires and promotes high standards of learning and student well-being in partnership with parents, guardians and the community.

DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT
To educate each student in a safe learning environment so that they may develop to their highest potential and become contributing citizens.

ESSENTIAL BOARD ROLES
Guide the superintendent
Engage constituents
Ensure alignment of resources
Monitor effectiveness
Model excellence

BOARD MEMBERS
John Ahrens, Secretary
Jim Berthold, Member
Chico Garcia, Member
Dr. Richard Martyr, Member
Paula Peairs, Vice President
Karen Ragland, Treasurer & Asst Secretary
Joie Siegrist, President

SPECIAL MEETING
6:00 pm – Call to Order

• ACTION ITEM
  1.1 Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution for 2020-2021 Educational Process of the District

• COVID-19 Update

8:00 pm – Adjourn
DATE: July 8, 2020

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution for 2020-2021 Educational Process of the District Strategic Priority – Rigorous, Well-Aligned Standards, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

RECOMMENDATION

District administration recommends that the Board of Education adopt a resolution to define the 2020-21 School Year educational process of the District during the COVID-19 crisis.

BACKGROUND

Due to the disruption in normal school operations due to the COVID-19 crisis, the Colorado Department of Education has given authority to local school boards to define the educational process for its students for the 2020-21 school year. The educational process includes length of the academic year calendar, minimal instructional hours, and further defines the acceptable means to deliver instruction. This resolution was created to allow the District and its schools flexibility related to student contact time and attendance as a result of emergency closings and other unforeseen circumstances.

Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent, will be present to answer questions.
WHEREAS the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) creates policy in alignment with State law related to school calendars, instructional hours and student attendance, and allows local boards flexibility in changing that calendar as a result of emergency closing and unforeseen circumstances (CRS 22-32-109(1)(m)(II)(B); and

WHEREAS CDE’s policy specifies that “teacher-pupil contact and teacher-pupil instruction” as “time when a pupil is actively engaged in the educational process of a district,” as well as defines the minimal instructional days and hours; and

WHEREAS the COVID-19 crisis has disrupted normal in-school operations and requires some or all students to receive their instruction at home using online tools provided by the District; and,

WHEREAS for the 2020-21 school year CDE has granted the authority to local school boards to define the educational process including its length of calendar, instructional hours requirements, as well as defining the delivery of instruction;

THEREFORE, let it be RESOLVED that for the 2020-2021 academic year, the St. Vrain Valley Schools’ Board of Education defines the educational process to include instruction that is delivered in the school setting, instruction that is delivered electronically or online from a remote location, all assignments that are provided by the teacher in school, assignments that are provided electronically by the teacher, and independent work time for students that is assigned and monitored by educators.

FURTHER RESOLVED, students – whether in-school or working online in a synchronous manner, and/or in a hybrid model, will be scheduled and assigned independent work for their courses each day regardless of the setting (school or home), and receive the equivalent amount of teacher-student contact as a typical academic year. Student attendance will be taken each day regardless of the instructional setting (at-school, online, and working independently) for each course for the purpose of documenting instructional days, teacher-student contact hours, compulsory attendance, and for the October 1 Student Count and funding documentation.

Dated: July 8, 2020

ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J

By ______________________________________
Joie Siegrist, Board President

ATTEST:

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Dr. Richard Martyr, Board Member
DATE: July 8, 2020

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update
Strategic Priority – Student and Staff Well-Being

PURPOSE

For the Board of Education to be given an update on the COVID-19 pandemic as it affects the students and staff of the District.

BACKGROUND

Dr. Haddad will update the Board of Education at each Regular Board Meeting on how the COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the District.