

**MINUTES
ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

OPENING OF MEETING

The Board of Education of the St. Vrain Valley School District met February 28, 2018 at the Educational Services Center Board Room, 395 South Pratt Parkway, Longmont, Colorado. The Regular Meeting was called to order by Board of Education Vice President Joie Siegrist at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

John Ahrens, Assistant Secretary, Director District D
Dr. Richard Martyr, Member, Director District E
Paula Peairs, Treasurer, Director District F
Karen Ragland, Member, Director District B
Joie Siegrist, Vice President, Director District A
Amory Siscoe, Secretary, Director District G
Robert J. Smith, President, Director District C (arrived at 6:55 p.m.)

Board Members Absent (Excused):

None

St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:

Rachael Ayers, Principal of Mead High School
David Baker, Professional Development Coordinator
Michelle Bourgeois, Director of Learning Technology
Deniece Cook, Principal of Career Development Center/Olde Columbine High School
Greg Fieth, Chief Financial Officer
Stacy Gahagen, Director of Security and Emergency Management
Maryellen Graziani, Instructional Technology Coordinator for Niwot Feeder
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools (arrived at 6:55 p.m.)
Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent for Student Achievement
Jason Kelsall, Learning Technology Coach for Niwot High and Sunset Middle School
Bryan Krause, Executive Director of Student Services
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Dr. Diane Lauer, Assistant Superintendent of Priority Programs and Academic Support
Dr. Dawn Macy, Principal of Sunset Middle School
Joe McBreen, Chief Technology Officer

Kerin McClure, Principal of Burlington Elementary
Mark Mills, Area 2 Assistant Superintendent
Patrick Mount, Director of Information Technology
Ella Padilla, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area 3 Assistant Superintendent
Nancy Pitz, Principal of Niwot Elementary School
Eric Rauschkolb, Principal of Niwot High School
Katie Saenz, Mead High School Family & Consumer Sciences Instructor
Tori Teague, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction
Kathi Jo Walder, Principal of Indian Peaks Elementary
Kim Wiggins, Assessment Coordinator

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (2.0)

The Agenda was accepted as presented.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (3.0)

None

VISITORS (4.0)

Dina Perfetti-Deany introduced Mead High School Principal Rachael Ayers who introduced Mead High Family and Consumer Sciences Instructor Katie Saenz. Katie introduced Family Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) students Shaina Danile and Molly Imhof who told of their experiences from their FCCLA competitions and shared their plans for college. Rachael commended Katie for her work with the FCCLA students, and announced that they were sending 10 students to national competition in Nashville, Tennessee in July.

Dina Perfetti-Deany introduced Career Development Center Principal Deniece Cook. Deniece announced that February was Career & Technical Education (CTE) Month. In celebration of that, she introduced CDC Agriculture students Keelin Wright and Hannah Kurz; Auto Mechanics students Kaeyla Noble and Levi Roberts; Welding students Henry Carlson and Peyton Sharp; Culinary students Tammi Torres, Vanessa Cera, and Bri Morales; and Health Careers student Chase Strayer. Each of them shared a fun fact about CTE, told of how much their CTE classes meant to them, what their future plans were, and asked family members in attendance stand up to be recognized. Deniece invited Board members to CDC's Annual Barbeque and Auction that students host in the summer.

Jim Berthold, Retired District Bus Dispatcher – did not address the Board.
Amy Bounds, Longmont Times-Call/Boulder Daily Camera Reporter – did not address the Board.

Monique Johnson, Studio Boom Salon, Longmont – spoke in opposition to the closing of the Career Development Center Cosmetology Program and of the Program’s continuing importance.

Andrea Smith, Assistant Principal at Niwot High School – did not address the Board.

Michelle Smith and Matt Cooper, Apple Representatives – present to answer questions for Action Item 7.1 Approval of Amendment to Apple Master Lease Purchase Agreement. Steve Villarreal, President, St. Vrain Valley Education Association – did not address the Board.

REPORTS (5.0)

Niwot High School Advisory Council Feeder Report (5.1)

Mark Mills introduced Niwot Principal Eric Rauschkolb who introduced Maryellen Graziani, Niwot Instruction Technology Coordinator for the Niwot Feeder, and Jason Kelsall, Learning Technology Coach for Niwot High and Sunset Middle School. Maryellen introduced the Niwot High School Student Advisory Council students Davin Bala, Hannah McDonald, Savannah Parrot, and Aidan Peairs. The students distributed iPads to the Board and administration for an interactive presentation with the theme “Niwot: A Community of Learners.” Additional administration leaders from Niwot feeder schools in attendance were Nancy Pitz, Principal of Niwot Elementary School; Kerin McClure, Principal of Burlington Elementary; Kathi Jo Walder, Principal of Indian Peaks Elementary; and Dr. Dawn Macy, Sunset Middle School. The students thanked the administration and the Board for the opportunity to represent their school and the District, shared their plans after high school graduation, and introduced their family members in attendance. Eric recognized all the Niwot feeder building leaders for equipping their students with the strong foundation and skills needed to produce the exceptional students that attend Niwot High. Board members appreciated the students showing them how impactful technology was to them.

District Financial Statements-January Financials Fiscal Year 2018 (5.2)

Greg Fieth provided the Board of Education with the financial report for January of Fiscal Year 2018. Greg reported that the financials can be found on the District website. Board members commended Greg and his team for their exemplary work managing the District’s funds.

Professional Development Update (5.3)

Dr. Diane Lauer, David Baker, and Kim Wiggins presented a status report on Professional Development innovations within the District. In the 2016-2017 school year, staff course enrollment reached 6,800, which totaled 118,000 hours of professional development and earned 8,000 credits. They described how they support new teachers using a video coaching method. They discussed the District’s Teacher Pipeline Initiative which was developed with three goals in mind: 1) cultivate university relationships to have a pipeline of best candidates, 2) strengthen student teacher experiences, and 3) hire and retain

these high quality candidates. Diane and her team are working tirelessly to cultivate an environment at St. Vrain Valley that attracts the best teachers. Our Professional Development team is working to make our District known throughout the state for its support of new teachers.

CONSENT ITEMS (6.0)

Paula Peairs moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 6.1 and 6.2. Joie Siegrist seconded.

1. Approval: Approval of Purchase of Epson Projectors & Wall Mounts
2. Approval: First Reading, Adoption, Board Policies GCE/GCF – Professional Staff Recruiting/Hiring; GCE/GCF-R – Professional Staff Recruiting/Hiring; GDA – Support Staff Positions; GDE/GDF – Support Staff Recruiting/Hiring; JF – Admission and Denial of Admission; JH – Student Absences and Excuses; and JQ – Student Fees, Fines and Charges

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, yes; Bob Smith, yes].

ACTION ITEMS (7.0)

Approval of Amendment to Apple Master Lease Purchase Agreement (7.1)

John Ahrens moved that the Board of Education approve an amendment to a Master Lease Purchase Agreement with Apple, Inc., in the amount of \$3,315,837.35 per year for three (3) years in support of the Learning Technology Plan and further authorize Greg Fieth, Chief Financial Officer, to sign all necessary documents. Dr. Richard Martyr seconded.

Joe McBreen reported that, since the inception of the Learning Technology Plan in 2013, the District has purchased iPads with protective cases, provided professional development, support, repair, and labor through individual bids, contracts, and RFPs. Analysis of this new proposal concluded it is in the District's best interest to enter into a financial agreement to provide all of these services and equipment from a single vendor because it provides value above and beyond the existing plan, positively impacts student learning, and is budget neutral over three years.

Michelle Bourgeois reported that this opportunity moves the District's entire student and teacher iPad mini inventory to the new 5th generation full-sized iPad. Benefits include: increased access to cutting-edge learning such as Augmented Reality; improved digital curriculum experiences; and it is an assessment-capable device. The Agreement also includes three years of support services, AppleCare repair and 30 days of teacher professional development. Patrick Mount reported that this Agreement also provides that all 22,500 iPads will be delivered with District asset tags and in protective cases,

significantly reducing our in-house workload. This Agreement enables the District to repair and return damaged devices within three days instead of two weeks.

Board members would like staff to explore providing teachers with the iPad Pro and the Apple iPencil for the iPad Pro, a combination that provides more robust features for teachers. They would also like staff to explore the possibility of lowering or eliminating insurance costs for student devices.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, yes; Bob Smith, yes].

Adoption of Resolution for Apple Master Lease Purchase Agreement Reservation of Funds (7.2)

Joie Siegrist moved that the Board of Education approve a Resolution designating and reserving funds to meet future financial obligations created by an amendment to the Master Lease Purchase Agreement with Apple, Inc., in the amount of \$3,315,837.35, per year, for three (3) years in support of the Learning Technology Plan. Karen Ragland seconded.

Joe McBreen reported that the District will be committing to payment of \$3,315,837.35 for this fiscal year and the next two fiscal years as described in Action Item 7.1. In order to comply with the requirements of Section 20, article X of the Colorado Constitution (TABOR), the Board must adopt a Resolution designating and reserving the funds to meet this obligation.

Apple, Inc., representatives Michelle Smith and Matt Cooper thanked the Board members and Dr. Haddad for the chance to serve the District. They commended the Board and Dr. Haddad for its inspiring leadership in the District. They were honored to work with Joe McBreen and Michelle Bourgeois to customize the Lease Purchase Agreement to best suit the District's needs.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, yes; Bob Smith, yes].

Extension of Board Meeting

At 9:25 p.m., Joie Siegrist moved to extend the meeting for 15 minutes. John Ahrens seconded. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, yes; Bob Smith, yes].

First Reading, Discussion, Board Policy IKF – Graduation Requirements (7.3)

Joie Siegrist moved that the Board of Education adopt the proposed revisions to Board Policy IKF – Graduation Requirements as presented at this Board Meeting with no need for a second reading on March 14, 2018. Karen Ragland seconded.

Tori Teague reported that revisions to this policy were made by administration to more clearly describe graduation requirements for College and Career Readiness. St. Vrain Valley students are required to earn 24.5 credits, demonstrate college and career readiness by successfully completing an Individualized Career and Academic Plan (ICAP), and complete the Personal Financial Literacy class. The District will continue to track students' PSAT and SAT test results.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, yes; Bob Smith, yes].

First Reading, Discussion, Board Policy JFABD – Homeless Students; New Board Regulation JFABD-R – Homeless Students; New Board Policy JFABE* – Students in Foster Care; and JFABE*-R – Students in Foster Care (7.4)

Joie Siegrist moved that the Board of Education approve Board Policy JFABD – Homeless Students; New Board Regulation JFABD-R – Homeless Students; New Board Policy JFABE* – Students in Foster Care; and New Board Regulation JFABE*-R – Students in Foster Care as presented at this Board Meeting with no need for a second reading on March 14, 2018. Amory Siscoe seconded.

Bryan Krause reported that current Board Policy JFABD – Homeless Students has been revised as recommended by the Colorado Association of School Boards to reflect full implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in the 2017-2018 school year and to delete references to No Child Left Behind. ESSA modified numerous provisions of the McKinney-Vento Act; hence the creation of new Board Policy JFABE* and new Regulations JFABD-R and JFABE*-R. These revisions were reviewed by legal counsel and approved by administration.

Bryan identified Luis Chavez and Patrick Kilcullen as the administrators responsible to assure 393 current homeless students in our District are taken care of on a daily basis with assistance from Student Services staff and staff at each school.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, yes; Bob Smith, yes].

DISCUSSION ITEMS (8.0)

None

ADJOURNMENT (9.0)

Board President Robert J. Smith reminded the Board and the audience of the Annual Bond Update/School Safety Town Hall Meetings from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 5, 2018, at Erie Middle School; Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at Timberline PK-8; Thursday, March 8, 2018 at Frederick High School; and Thursday, March 15 at Silver Creek High School.

Amory Siscoe moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:44 p.m. Karen Ragland seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous acclamation: [John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, yes; Bob Smith, yes].

Respectfully submitted,

Amory Siscoe, Secretary of the Board of Education

Barb Steege, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

Read and approved or corrected and approved on March 14, 2018.