

**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 August 22, 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 President Robert J. Smith at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Dr. Richard Martyr, Member, Director District E
Paula Peairs, Treasurer, Director District F
Karen Ragland, Member, Director District B
Amory Siscoe, Secretary, Director District G
Robert J. Smith, President, Director District C

Board Members Absent:

John Ahrens, Assistant Secretary, Director District D
Joie Siegrist, Vice President, Director District A

St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:

Damon Brown, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Greg Fieth, Chief Financial Officer
Aaron Ford, Graphic Design Specialist-Communications
Stacy Gahagen, Director of Security and Emergency Management
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools
Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Kim Lancaster, APEX Homeschool Program Coordinator
Dr. Diane Lauer, Assistant Superintendent of Priority Programs and Academic Support
Mark Mills, Area Assistant Superintendent
Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent
Patty Quinones, Assistant Superintendent of Innovation Center
Sherri Schumann, Principal of APEX Homeschool Program

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (2.0)

Agenda was accepted as presented.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (3.0)

None

VISITORS (4.0)

Jim Berthold, retired District Bus Dispatcher – did not address the Board.
Steve Villarreal, President, St. Vrain Valley Education Association – did not address the Board.

REPORTS (5.0)

2016 Bond Report (5.1)

Brian Lamer updated the Board on the 2016 Bond projects. Board members expressed their appreciation to Brian and his team for the high quality work on school buildings that will be enjoyed for generations by students and staff.

CONSENT ITEMS (6.0)

Dr. Richard Martyr moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 6.1 (provided the signature line on 6.1 Easement Agreement for Trail Ridge is changed from Brian Lamer to Robert J. Smith) through 6.3. Paula Peairs seconded.

1. Approval: Approval of Easement Agreement-Trail Ridge Middle
2. Approval: Approval of Request to Grant Exception to Board Policy GBEA – Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest-Robert Glassner
3. Approval: Approval of Request to Grant Exception to Board Policy GBEA – Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest-Matt Mosebar

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

ACTION ITEMS (7.0)

Approval of State Statute Waiver Requests for Imagine Charter School at Firestone (7.1)

Karen Ragland moved that the Board of Education approve the state statute waiver requests for Imagine Charter School at Firestone. Paula Peairs seconded.

Greg Fieth reported that Imagine Charter School at Firestone previously had requested waivers for C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(b) and 22-32-110(1)(y) as part of their contract with the District.

Around June 2017, C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(b) and 22-32-110(1)(y) were removed from the list of automatic waivers. The State Board was directed by the General Assembly to not include these statutes on the list of automatic waivers per HB 17-1375.

Imagine's administration has requested waivers from these requirements, and they have been approved by the charter school's governing board. If the District's Board of Education approves the waivers, they will be submitted to the State Board of Education for consideration.

This item was postponed from the August 8, 2018 Board Meeting to provide more information to the Board. Board members appreciated the extra information Greg and his team provided.

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

Approval of Change Order 2 to Construction Manager/General Contractor Contract for Lyons Elementary Addition and Renovation (7.2)

Karen Ragland moved that the Board of Education approve Change Order 2 for \$150,000 to the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) contract with Adolfson & Peterson Construction for the Lyons Elementary Addition and Renovation for a \$1,450,000 total contract value. Further, that the Board authorize Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, to sign contract documents and change orders up to the above referenced amount, in accordance with Board of Education policy. Paula Peairs seconded.

Brian Lamer reported that, on February 14, 2018, the Board approved the CMGC Contract for \$1,300,000. This Change Order includes the general construction items for the addition and renovated areas, including sewer line repairs, site and structural work. Change Order 2 is funded under the 2016 Bond program.

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

Approval of Update of Vendors Providing Purchased Goods/Services Over \$100,000 for FY 2019 (7.3)

Amory Siscoe moved that the Board of Education approve the vendors presented who are anticipated to provide purchased goods/services over \$100,000 during Fiscal Year 2019. Karen Ragland seconded.

Greg Fieth reported that this updated information is presented in an effort to streamline the District's policy requirement that the Board approve all vendors to whom the District pays over \$100,000 in a single fiscal year, per Board Policy DJ/DJA – Purchasing/ Purchasing Authorization. This is specifically to address vendors who provide goods/services that are not competitively bid, competitive bids that are extended into a new fiscal year, or FY19 newly awarded contracts. Greg stated that one of the companies that was on the approved list in June was acquired by another company, so there was a name change that needed to be documented.

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

Approval of Resolution for Lease Agreement for APEX Home School Program (7.4)

Amory Siscoe moved that the Board of Education approve the Resolution providing the funding for the APEX Homeschool Program lease and to authorize Robert J. Smith, Board President, to sign the Resolution. Dr. Richard Martyr seconded.

Brian Lamer reported that Section 20 of Article X of the Colorado Constitution prohibits the creation of financial obligations without voter approval unless such obligations are either subject to annual appropriation or are met through an irrevocable pledge of existing funds which are currently undesignated within the District's reserves. The Board of Education is willing to meet this future financial obligation by irrevocably pledging a portion of its undesignated reserves in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

APEX has been located at several churches in the area over the past eight years. As discussed at the Board of Education Study Session on October 18, 2017, it is in the District's best interest to enter into this Lease Agreement to provide a facility for the APEX Home School Program. The Resolution addresses the landlord's concerns regarding the funding.

Sherri Schumann and Kim Lancaster were present and expressed their appreciation to the administration and the Board for providing a permanent home for the APEX Homeschool Program.

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

Approval of APEX Home School Program Lease Agreement (7.5)

Amory Siscoe moved that the Board of Education approve the Lease Agreement for the APEX Home School Program and to authorize Robert J. Smith, Board President, to sign the appropriate documents. Karen Ragland seconded.

Action Items 7.4 and 7.5 were discussed collectively.

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS (8.0)

Sale of Bond Proceeds (8.1)

Greg Fieth discussed with the Board of Education the process, timing, and preliminary details of the sale of the remaining bonds from the 2016 Capital Construction Bond Election.

In November 2016, the voters within the St. Vrain Valley School District boundaries approved a \$260.4 million capital construction bond. That same month, \$200 million worth of bonds were sold so that capital construction projects could be started. Administration plans to sell the remaining \$60 million in September or October of 2018 to ensure ongoing projects are completed and new projects can be started.

Administration will provide complete details when this item is brought back to the Board of Education for approval.

ADJOURNMENT (9.0)

Board members thanked George Baskos and Aaron Ford for videotaping the Board Meeting while Tim Ellis was serving jury duty.

Amory Siscoe moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m., and Karen Ragland seconded. The motion carried by unanimous acclamation: [John Ahrens, absent; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, absent; 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 September 12, 2018.