

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

**OPENING OF MEETING**

The Board of Education of the St. Vrain Valley School District met on October 17, 2018 at Trail Ridge Middle School, 1000 Button Rock Drive, Longmont, Colorado. The Study Session was called to order by Board of Education President Robert J. Smith at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board Members Present:**

John Ahrens, Assistant Secretary, Director District D (arrived 6:20 pm)  
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  
Robert J. Smith, President, Director District C

**Board Members Absent (Excused):**

Amory Siscoe, Secretary, Director District G

**St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:**

Damon Brown, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources  
Greg Fieth, Chief Financial Officer  
Stacy Gahagen, Director of Security and Emergency Management  
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools (participated by conference call)  
Laura Hess, Executive Director of Special Education  
Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent  
Bryan Krause, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations  
Dr. Diane Lauer, Assistant Superintendent of Priority Programs and Academic Support  
Vicki Mair, Benefits Specialist  
Kerri McDermid, Executive Director of Communications  
Mark Mills, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Amber Muir, Data Quality Coordinator  
Zach Pinkerton, Niwot High School Assistant Principal  
Jon Rothman, Frederick High School World Languages Teacher  
Dennis Soukup, Frederick High School Math Teacher  
Scott Toillion, Director of Planning  
Tony Whiteley, Executive Director of Budget & Finance

**Visitors:**

Jeanne Aguilar, Boulder Valley School District Director of Benefits – present for the Health Insurance topic.

Jim Berthold, Retired District Bus Dispatcher – did not address the Board.

Mike Gradoz, Boulder Valley School District Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources – present for the Health Insurance topic.

Steve Villarreal, President of the St. Vrain Valley Education Association – present for the Health Insurance topic.

Adam Steinger, Reporter for Longmont Observer – did not address the Board.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Agenda was accepted as presented.

**Topics Discussed:**

- Preliminary October Count – Greg Fieth/Amber Muir/Scott Toillion.
- Mead School Construction – Brian Lamer.
- Health Insurance – Greg Fieth/Vick Mair.

No action was taken for the discussion topics above.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

John Ahrens moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m., and Karen Ragland seconded.

[John Ahrens, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes; Amory Siscoe, absent; Bob Smith, yes].

Respectfully submitted,

John Ahrens, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education

Barb Steege, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

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