

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

OPENING OF REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Education of the St. Vrain Valley School District met on October 27, 2021 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 Joie Siegrist at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

John Ahrens, Secretary, Director District D
Jim Berthold, Member, Director District C
Dr. Richard Martyr, Member, Director District E
Paula Peairs, Vice President, Director District F
Karen Ragland, Treasurer & Assistant Secretary, Director District B
Joie Siegrist, President, Director District A

Board Members Absent (Excused):

Chico Garcia, Member, Director District G

St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:

Regina Carnes, Counselor, Longmont High School
Kahle Charles, Assistant Superintendent Assessment and Curriculum
Greg Fieth, Chief Financial Officer
Erick Finnestead, Principal, Silver Creek High School
Jane Frederick, Comptroller
Greg George, Math Coordinator
David Glover, Dean of Students, Lyons Middle/Senior
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools
Traci Haley, Principal, Longmont Estates Elementary
Stephen Hoel, Principal, Blue Mountain Elementary
Amanda Holden, Principal, Eagle Crest Elementary
Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent
Bryan Krause, Area Assistant Superintendent
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Jeremy LaCrosse, Principal, Altona Middle School

Dr. Diane Lauer, Assistant Superintendent, Priority Programs and Academic Support
Richard Peeples, Executive Director of Safety and Security
Dr. Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent
Matt Romig, Dean of Students, Erie High School
Megan Schlagel, Teacher, Niwot High School
Brandon Shaffer, Executive Director of Governmental & Legal Affairs
Christina Smith, Teacher, Frederick High School

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (2.0)

None

VISITORS (3.0)

Steve Villarreal, President, St. Vrain Valley Education Association – did not address the Board.

Sierra Bindseil and Rakhi Kataria - Students

Chief Kim Stewart, Chris Muzzipapa, Malcolm Fleming, James Carroll, Cara Thoen, Brandin Newman, Conner Willyard, Melissa Wiley

Superintendent's Excellence in Education Awards (3.1)

Dr. Haddad introduced Erie Police Chief Kim Stewart, who recognized Sargent Chris Muzzipapa, and the Erie feeder system Safety Resource Officers James Carroll, Cara Thoen, Brandin Newman, Conner Willyard, and Erie Town Administrator, Malcolm Fleming, and Deputy Town Administrator, Melissa Wiley. Dr. Haddad praised them for their work and the support they provide to students throughout our schools, and helping to ensure a safe, welcoming environment for our Erie Schools and community.

Dr. Haddad introduced Matt Romig, Christina Smith, David Glover, Gina Carnes, Katie Saenz (not present), Megan Schlagel, Eric Ottem (Erick Finnestead accepted on Eric Ottem's behalf) and Paige Taylor (not present) and honored them with a Superintendent's Excellence in Education Award for their work with the District Jump Start program over the summer.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (4.0)

No members of the public spoke to the Board.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE (5.0)

- Superintendent Don Haddad provided an update on staff hiring, the October count, student survey results, updates to the inclement weather procedure, possible bond efforts in 2024 to update facilities in anticipation of student growth, and COVID-19 data.

REPORTS (6.0)

2021 FY Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (6.1)

Greg Fieth provided the Board of Education with an update on the draft of the 2021 Fiscal Year Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

The 2021 Fiscal Year Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) is being audited by the certified public accounting firm of CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA).

Paul Niedermuller from CLA reviewed the 2021 ACFR with the Board in detail at the October 27th study session. He noted changes from the preliminary draft, discussed the draft Report of Governance, and responded to questions.

Silver Creek High School Student Advisory Council Feeder Report (6.2)

Dina Perfetti-Deany introduced the Silver Creek High School feeder Principals Erick Finnestead, Traci Haley, Stephen Hoel, Amanda Holden, Jeremy LaCrosse and Silver Creek High School Student Advisory Council members Sierra Bindseil and Rakhi Kataria. An informative presentation featuring highlights of the Silver Creek feeder system was shared.

CONSENT ITEMS (7.0)

John Ahrens moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.2. Jim Berthold seconded.

1. Approval: Approval of Architect Selection for District-wide HVAC Upgrades, BEST Grant Project
2. Approval: Approval of Change Order 11 to Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) Contract for SPARK! Discovery Preschool Renovation

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

ACTION ITEMS (8.0)

Approval of Contact - The Wild Plum Center for Young Children and Families (8.1)

Dr. Richard Martyr moved that the Board of Education approve the service agreement between the District and Wild Plum (WP) Center for the 2021-2022 school year. The District pays for these slots through the Colorado Preschool Program grant funds that are provided through the State of Colorado. Karen Ragland seconded the motion.

The District, through its Early Childhood Department and District Advisory Council, entered into this agreement with WP Center in order to provide preschool services to eligible four-year-old children. The District will pay a monthly tuition rate of \$320.00 per each child placed (not to exceed 90 children).

Diane Lauer, Assistant Superintendent of Priority Programs and Academic Support described the program and answered questions.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

Approval of First Reading and Adoption to Board Policies GBEB, GCQC/GCDQ, GCQC/GCQD-R, GCQF, GCQF-R, GDQB and GDQD (8.2)

Jim Berthold moved that the Board of Education approve and adopt on first reading Board Policies GBEB, GCQC/GCDQ, GCQC/GCQD-R, GCQF, GCQF-R, GDQB and GDQD . Paula Peairs seconded.

Brandon Shaffer requested that to conform to new state law, the Board of Education adopt on first reading, updates to Board Policies GBEB - Staff Conduct (And Responsibilities), GCQC/GCQD - Resignation of Instructional Staff/Administrative Staff, GCQC/GCQD-R - Resignation of Instructional Staff/Administrative Staff (Mandatory Reporting Requirements) Regulation, GCQF - Discipline, Suspension and Dismissal of Professional Staff, GCQF-R - Discipline, Suspension and Dismissal of Professional Staff (Mandatory Reporting Requirements) Regulation, GDQB - Resignation of Support Staff and GDQD - Discipline, Suspension and Dismissal of Support Staff.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Ahrens, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

DISCUSSION ITEMS (9.0)

None

ADJOURNMENT (10.0)

Board President Joie Siegrist announced that the next Regular Board Meeting will be held at the ESC Board Room on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Karen Ragland moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m., and John Ahrens seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous acclamation: [John Ahrens, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Paula Peairs, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

Respectfully submitted,

John Ahrens, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Education

Diane Hargash, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

Kristie Jonason, Executive Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

Read and approved or corrected and approved on November 10, 2021.