

**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 April 12, 2023 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 Karen Ragland at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board Members Present:**

Jim Berthold, Secretary, Director District C  
Meosha Brooks, Member, Director District D  
Sarah Hurianek, Member, Director District F  
Dr. Richard Martyr, Treasurer, Director District E  
Karen Ragland, President, Director District B  
Joie Siegrist, Vice President, Director District A

**Board Members Absent (Excused):**

Chico Garcia, Member, Director District G

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

Karla Allenbach, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Janay Bird, Fine Arts Coordinator  
Michelle Bourgeois, Chief Technology Officer  
Joe Brown, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Niwot High School  
Matt Buchler, Administrator on Special Assignment  
Chad Cooper, Assistant Principal, Erie High School  
Martha Bustillos, Translation and Interpretation Services Coordinator  
Alexandra Downing, Competitive Robotics Manager  
Chad Eisentrager, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Mead High School  
Todd Fukai, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Priscilla Gonzalez, Translation and Interpretation Services  
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent  
Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent

Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations  
Fiorella Martinez, Translation and Interpretation Services  
Joe McBreen, Assistant Superintendent of Innovation  
Chase McBride, Executive Director, Athletics/Activities and Fine Arts  
Timothy O'Neill, General Counsel  
Richard Peebles, Executive Director of Safety and Security  
Dr. Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Eric Pierce, Senior Manager, IT Support  
Eric Rauschkolb, Principal, Niwot High School  
Axel Reitzig, Executive Director of Innovation Programs  
Pete Scheck, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Longmont High School  
Cyrus Weinberger, Principal, Soaring Heights PK-8  
Dr. Brian Young, Principal, Mead 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.

#### **Winter Athletics Recognition**

Ramon Salazar - Erie High School Wrestling (not present)

Nora Roth - Erie High School Head Cheer Coach

Julia Wilkens, Aubrey Harlan, Lucy Quinn, Emma Bryan, Grace Guven, Kearsa Demmer, Mia Boggio, Ashlyn Jolly, Morgan Jolly, Jenna Noble, Emily Waslworth, Melanie Bell and Jada Kloppe - Erie High School Cheer

Wren Pritchett - Mead High School Speech and Debate

Ty Tatham - Mead High School Varsity Wrestling Coach

Jake Glade and Dalton Berg - Mead High School Wrestling

Jim Dornan - Longmont High School Speech and Debate Coach

Greta Wedel and Ben Howard - Longmont High School Speech and Debate

Carly Daelli - Longmont High School Head Swim Coach

Jordan Bindseil - Longmont High School Swimming

Ella Thramann - Niwot High School Head Swim Coach

Jamieson Legh - Niwot High School Swimming

Robotics Recognition

VEX IQ Elementary:

“What Just Happened?” - Central Elementary - Awards (Teamwork Champions)  
Andrew Hernandez, Henry Jensen, Corbin Pineda and Sam Winheld

“Robotics Rats” - Mead Elementary - Awards (Teamwork Champions)  
Jace Blick, Bentley Valentine and Kaden Valentine

“Radioactive Reachers” - Longmont Estates Elementary and Hygiene Elementary - Awards  
(Skills, Excellence)  
Emily Dickhans, Lily Simon, Clara Treat and Tessa Welch

VEX VRC Middle School:

“Mechanical Mountains” - Altona Middle School - Awards (Skills, Tournament Champions,  
Excellence)  
Elliott Beeken, Erik Johnson and Henry Richter

“Mechanical Chaos” - Altona Middle School - Awards (Tournament Champions)  
Sam Anderson, Nischal Gorla, Sanskar Pradhan and Vikki Venkatachalam

VE VRC High School:

“Pronounce This” Longmont High School - Awards (Teamwork Champions, Skills Excellent)  
Alex Dickhans, Luke Hernandez, Abi Reichert and Carl Richter

“Rock Lobsters” Erie Community - Awards (Teamwork Champions)  
Brielle Deba, Jordyn Detro, Parker Driscoll, America Griffin, and Ethan Melton

Erie Community Robotics Teams:

“Better with Butter” Sophia Tsai - Adult Leader

“Rock Lobsters” - Parker Driscoll, Jordyn Detro, America (Ami) Griffin, Ethan Melton and  
Brielle Deba

“Pancake Pounders” - Eli Griffin, Mason Hauck and Aiydan Hauck

“Unknown Error” - Mitch Glaze - Adult Leader  
Talia Kumar, Hannah Glazem Lilly Coventon and Aidan Billett (out of district)

### New Hires

Todd Fukai introduced Dr. Felicia Reimer as Dean of Students at Niwot High School beginning July 1, 2023

Todd Fukai introduced Ms. Julie Cooper as Principal at Columbine Elementary School beginning July 1, 2023

Todd Fukai introduced Anna Mills as Dean of Students at Soaring Heights PK-8 beginning July 1, 2023

### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (4.0)**

Alice Lister, Emerson Laughlin, Sarah Harriman, Tanya Frerichs-Peterson, Scott McLean, Elizabeth Bailey, Valerie Bartell, Annie Christoffersen, Jordan Wolfsbane, Andrew Parliment and Miguel Valdez were members of the public who spoke to the board.

### **SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE (5.0)**

Dr. Haddad provided an update on SAT testing, hiring, district art show, spring sports, music, drama and co-curricular programs, accreditation system, and Denver Public School and Denver Broncos Foundation visits.

### **REPORTS (6.0)**

None

### **CONSENT ITEMS (7.0)**

Jim Berthold moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.15. Sarah Hurianek seconded.

1. Approval: Staff Terminations/Leaves
2. Approval: Staff Appointments
3. Approval: Minutes for the March 8, 2023 Regular Meeting and March 15, 2023 Study Session
4. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Principal at Columbine Elementary School
5. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Dean at Coal Ridge Middle School
6. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Dean at Niwot High School
7. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Dean at Soaring Heights PK-8
8. Approval: Amendment to Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) Contract for the Niwot High School Sewer Line Replacement Project
9. Approval: Amendment to Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) for Trail Ridge Middle School Wall Repair Project
10. Approval: Change Order to the Sunset Middle School Renovation Project

11. Approval: Contract Award for Erie High School Fieldhouse Addition Project
12. Approval: Amendment to Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) for the Eagle Crest Elementary School Preschool Upgrades Project
13. Approval: Amendment to Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) for the Red Hawk Elementary School Preschool Upgrades Project
14. Approval: Purchase of Epson Projectors
15. Approval: Purchase of Lenovo Computer Products

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Jim Berthold, yes; Meosha Brooks, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

### **ACTION ITEMS (8.0)**

#### **Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming Tribute to Teachers Day, April 29, 2023 (8.1)**

Joie Siegrist moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution proclaiming support for the St. Vrain Valley Schools Education Foundation for the celebratory event Tribute to Teachers awards ceremony and declaring April 29, 2023 as Tribute to Teachers Day. Meosha Brooks seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Jim Berthold, yes; Meosha Brooks, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

#### **Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming Teacher/Substitute Teacher Appreciation Week, May 8-12, 2023 (8.2)**

Dr. Richard Martyr moved that the Board of Education adopt the proclamation in honor of Teacher Appreciation and Substitute Appreciation Week, May 8-12, 2023. Sarah Hurianek seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Jim Berthold, yes; Meosha Brooks, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS (9.0)**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT (10.0)**

President Karen Ragland announced that the next Regular Meeting will be held at the ESC Board Room on April 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Meosha Brooks moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Joie Siegrist seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous acclamation: [Jim Berthold, yes; Meosha Brooks, yes; Chico Garcia, absent; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Dr. Richard Martyr, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Joie Siegrist, yes].

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Berthold, 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 May 10, 2023.