

**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 August 9, 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  
Chico Garcia, Member, Director District G - arrived late  
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):**

None

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

Douglas Bissonette, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Joe Brown, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Niwot High School  
Martha Bustillos, Translation and Interpretation Services Coordinator  
Chad Cooper, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Erie High School  
Chad Eisentrager, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Mead High School  
Greg Fieth, Chief Financial Officer  
Colleen Ford, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Lyons Middle/Senior High School  
Priscilla Gonzalez, Translation and Interpretation Services  
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent  
Dr. Laura Hess, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education  
Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent  
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent Operations  
Fiorella Martinez, Translation and Interpretation Services

Joe McBreen, Assistant Superintendent of Innovation  
Chase McBride, Executive Director of Athletics/Activities and Fine Arts  
Timothy O'Neill, General Council  
Richard Peebles, Executive Director of Safety and Security  
Dr. Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Eric Rauschkolb, Principal, Niwot High School  
Pete Scheck, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Longmont High School  
Kristopher Schuh, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Ana Soto-Harrison, Translation and Interpretation Services  
Tim Wellman, Purchasing Director

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (2.0)**

None

**VISITORS (3.0)**

22-23 Spring Athletics/Fine Arts Report

Longmont High School - Track Coach Scott Dickinson introduced Ella Pears and James Krat

Lyons Middle/Senior High School - Track/Cross Country Coach David Goodman introduced Gemme Powell

Erie High School - Athletic Director Chad Cooper introduced Logan Hale and Myla Wilkes

Niwot High School Track Team - Athletic Director Joe Brown introduced:

Coach Maurice Henriques

Kimora Northrup - 100H, 300H

Madison Shults (not in attendance) - 400, 800

Jade West - Shot Put

Addison Ritzenhein - 3200

Julia Rudolph, Simocea Esquibel, Mai Prok and Madison Shults (not in attendance) - 4x400

Lex Bullen, Cayden Justice, Kendall Madine and Anna Prok - 4x800

Eric Walker (not in attendance) - 300H

Ben Classen, Eric Walker (not in attendance), Abraham Menjiver and Rocco Culpepper - 4x400

Rocco Culpepper, Kye Toothacker, Carlos Kipkorir and Ryder Keeton - 4x800

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

There were no members of the public who spoke to the board.

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

Dr. Haddad provided an update on Erie High School growth and facility updates, SAT scores, Lobbyist meeting, Teach to Reach event, Welcome Back events, school iReady recognition, and Readiness Accelerated Manufacturing and Production (RAMP) participation.

#### **REPORTS (6.0)**

##### **District-Wide Savings on Procurement Activities - Fiscal Year 2023 (6.1)**

Tim Wellman provided the Board of Education with an annual report regarding the key functions and efficiencies in the Purchasing Department.

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

Meosha Brooks moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.6. Jim Berthold seconded.

1. Approval: Staff Terminations/Leaves
2. Approval: Staff Appointments
3. Approval: Minutes for the June 14, 2023 Regular Meeting, June 21, 2023 Study Session, June 28, 2023 Study Session and June 28, 2023 Regular Meeting
4. Approval: Contract Award for Cyber Explorer Bus Project
5. Approval: Contract Award for Educational Services Center Auto Shop Renovation Project
6. Approval: Change Order to the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) for the Erie High School Parking Lot Reconfiguration Project

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

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

##### **Approval of Request to Grant an Exception to Board Policy GBEA - Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest - Pliego (8.1)**

Dr. Richard Martyr moved that the Board of Education allow an exception to the current Board Policy GBEA - Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest. This exception would enable Dr.

Katarina Pliego, an author, to sell her published book “Emilia Tries the Cello” to staff and students within the District. Meosha Brooks seconded.

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

**Approval of Addition to \$100,000 Vendor Expenditures - Aequor Healthcare Services (8.2)**

Jim Berthold moved that the Board of Education approve the addition of Aequor Healthcare Services, LLC., to the approved vendor list of vendors where the district will spend over \$100,000. Sarah Hurianek seconded.

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

**Approval of Addition to \$100,000 Vendor Expenditures - VEX Robotics (8.3)**

Meosha Brooks moved that the Board of Education approve the purchase of VEX Robotics equipment for Robotics programs and tournaments district wide. The cost will be \$155,000. Dr. Richard Martyr seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Jim Berthold, yes; Meosha Brooks, yes; Chico Garcia, yes; 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 August 23, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Meosha Brooks moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Jim Berthold seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous acclamation: [Jim Berthold, yes; Meosha Brooks, yes; Chico Garcia, yes; 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 September 13, 2023.