

**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 25, 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
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
Matt Buchler, Administrator on Special Assignment
Martha Bustillos, Translation and Interpretation Coordinator
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent
Greg Fieth, Chief Financial Officer
Erick Finnestead, Principal, Silver Creek High School
Jane Frederick, Comptroller
Todd Fukai, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Priscilla Gonzalez, Translation and Interpretation Services
Traci Haley, Principal, Longmont Estates Elementary
Stephen Hoel, Principal, Blue Mountain Elementary
Amanda Holden, Principal, Eagle Crest Elementary

Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Mimi Livermore, Assistant Comptroller
Fiorella Martinez, Translation and Interpretation Services
Liza Nybo, Principal, Coal Ridge Middle School
Timothy O'Neill, General Counsel
Richard Peebles, Executive Director of Safety and Security
Dr. Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent
Kristopher Schuh, Area Assistant Superintendent
Johnny Terrell, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (2.0)

None

VISITORS (3.0)

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

New Hires

Todd Fukai introduced Tony Whiteley as Chief Financial Officer beginning July 1, 2024

Silver Creek High School Feeder Presentation:

Summit Louth, Brianna Schultz, Ella Perry, Bhushai Jain, Jorge Crespo Cruz and Kaylee Crouthamel - students

Kim Stewart Recognition - Former Town of Erie Police Chief

Superintendent's Excellence in Education Award - Connie Dewlen and Todd Jackson

Paul Niedermuller - CliftonLarsonAllen Accounting Firm

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 the Elevate Quantum Computing grant, RISE grant, and athletic and music programs.

REPORTS (6.0)

FY23 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (6.1)

Greg Fieth introduced external auditor Paul Niedermuller from CliftonLarsonAllen Accounting Firm who provided the Board of Education with an update on the draft of the 2023 Fiscal Year Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

CONSENT ITEMS (7.0)

Jim Berthold moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.2. Dr. Richard Martyr seconded.

1. Approval: Architect Selection for Proposed New K-8 Project
2. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Chief Financial Officer

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 Exception to Board Policy GBEA - Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest - Thornton (8.1)

Dr. Richard Martyr moved that the Board of Education approve an exception to the current Board Policy GBEA - Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest. This exception would enable Brandi Thornton, Brandi Dai Designs, to sell her products to staff 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].

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 November 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Meosha Brooks moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:54p.m. Chico Garcia 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 November 8, 2023.