

**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 9, 2025 at the Educational Services Center Boardroom, 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:

Meosha Babbs, Member, Director District D (arrived late)
Jim Berthold, Vice President, Director District C
Jocelyn Gilligan, Treasurer, Director District E
Sarah Hurianek, Secretary, Director District F
Karen Ragland, President, Director District B
Jackie Weiss, Assistant Secretary, Director District A

Board Members Absent (Excused):

Geno Lechuga, Member, Director District G

St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:

Chris Allen, Assistant Principal, Mead Middle School
Douglas Bissonette, Area Assistant Superintendent
Joe Brown, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Niwot High School
Matt Buchler, Area 5 Administrator
Martha Bustillos, Translation and Interpretation Coordinator
Olga Cordero, Executive Director, Student Support Services
Priscilla Gonzalez, Translation and Interpretation Services
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent
Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Deputy Superintendent
Emily Knapp, Teacher, Longmont High School
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Dr. Diane Lauer, Chief Academic Officer
Odalys Loya, Translation and Interpretation Services
Fiorella Martinez, Translation and Interpretation Services
Jake Marsing, Teacher Frederick High School
Chase McBride, Executive Director of Athletics/Activities and Fine Arts
Dr. Kerri McDermid, Chief Communications and Global Impact Officer
Jeff McMurphy, Principal, Longmont High School

David Merrill, Director of Bands, Longmont High School
Caroline Moore, Teacher, LaunchED
Timothy O'Neill, General Counsel
Michael O'Toole, Science Coordinator
Matthew Payan, Teacher, Niwot High School
Richard Peebles, Executive Director of Safety and Security
Dr. Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent
Jenny Pettit, Social Studies Coordinator
Amanda Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Tony Whiteley, Chief Financial Officer

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (2.0)

None

VISITORS (3.0)

Kara Smallwood, President, St. Vrain Valley Education Association – did not address the Board.

Winter Athletics Presentation:

Izzy Fay - State Champion Diver, Niwot High School
Erin Lionberger - High School Diving Coach
Shawn Gregg - High School Diving Coach

Longmont Drumline:

Mary Jane Cronin, Ryan Joseph and Romeo Moran - Longmont High School students

Amanda Thompson introduced Mr. Matt Buchler as Area Assistant Superintendent beginning July 1, 2025.

Amanda Thompson introduced Mr. Chase McBride as Assistant Superintendent of Athletics, P.E., Activities, and Performing Arts beginning July 1, 2025.

Amanda Thompson introduced Mr. Chris Allen as Principal at Mead Middle School beginning July 1, 2025.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (4.0)

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

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE (5.0)

Superintendent Dr. Don Haddad provided an update on an event with the Space Foundation where St. Vrain students performed a drone show, preschool programming, community schools programming, and Dr. Haddad's retirement announcement.

REPORTS (6.0)

None

CONSENT ITEMS (7.0)

Jim Berthold moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.13. Jackie Weiss seconded.

1. Approval: Staff Terminations/Leaves
2. Approval: Staff Appointments
3. Approval: Minutes for the March 12, 2025 Regular Meeting, March 26, 2025 Study Session and March 26, 2025 Regular Meeting
4. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Area Assistant Superintendent
5. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Assistant Superintendent of Athletics, P.E., Activities, and Performing Arts
6. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Principal at Mead Middle School
7. Approval: 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 School District Calendars
8. Approval: Frederick Firestone Fire Protection District Impact Fees for the New High School #9 Project
9. Approval: Change Order to Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) for the New St. Vrain Community Montessori School
10. Approval: Contract Award for Camera and Security Upgrade at Longmont High School
11. Approval: Purchase of NetScout Hardware, Software and Support
12. Approval: Change Order to Contract for Cleaning Services Contract with BBC, LLC
13. Approval: Adoption of Resolution Requesting Assistance from the Colorado Aeronautical Board and Division of Aeronautics in Form of State Aviation Grant

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Meosha Babbs, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Jocelyn Gilligan, yes; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Geno Lechuga, absent; Karen Ragland, yes; Jackie Weiss, yes].

ACTION ITEMS (8.0)

Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming April 11, 2025 as Celebration of Excellence Day (8.1)

Sarah Hurianek moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution proclaiming support for the St. Vrain Valley Schools Education Foundation for the celebratory event Celebration of Excellence awards ceremony, formerly Tribute to Teachers, and declaring April 11, 2025 as Celebration of Excellence Day. Jocelyn Gilligan seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Meosha Babbs, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Jocelyn Gilligan, yes; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Geno Lechuga, absent; Karen Ragland, yes; Jackie Weiss, yes].

Approval of High School Science Curriculum (8.2)

Meosha Babbs moved that the Board of Education approve the adoption and purchase of curriculum materials for high school science. Jim Berthold seconded.

And, that the Board of Education approve the purchase contracts, not to exceed \$1,180,000 grand total purchase price, for these instructional resources on FY 25-26 and FY 26-27, based on the estimated student enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year. seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Meosha Babbs, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Jocelyn Gilligan, yes; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Geno Lechuga, absent; Karen Ragland, yes; Jackie Weiss, yes].

Approval of High School Social Studies Curriculum (8.3)

Jim Berthold moved that the Board of Education approve the adoption and purchase of curriculum material for high school social studies. Sarah Hurianek seconded.

And, that the Board of Education approve the purchase contracts, not to exceed \$1,485,000 for these instructional resources in FY25, FY26, and FY27, based on the estimated student enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year Social Studies core, advanced placement, and elective high school courses. seconded

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Meosha Babbs, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Jocelyn Gilligan, yes; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Geno Lechuga, absent; Karen Ragland, yes; Jackie Weiss, yes].

Approval of Contracts for Teacher/Non-Renewal Notices for the 2025-2026 Academic School Year (8.4)

Sarah Hurianek moved that the Board of Education approve teacher contracts for all probationary and non-probationary teachers currently employed by St. Vrain Valley Schools, with the exception of those recommended for nonrenewal. Jocelyn Gilligan seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [Meosha Babbs, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Jocelyn Gilligan, yes; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Geno Lechuga, absent; Karen Ragland, yes; Jackie Weiss, yes].

DISCUSSION ITEMS (9.0)

Charter School Contract Renewals (9.1)

Matt Buchler provided the Board of Education with information related to the contracts with Aspen Ridge Preparatory, Carbon Valley Academy, Firestone Charter, Flagstaff Academy, St. Vrain Community Montessori, and Twin Peaks Charter Academy.

These charter school contracts will be presented for approval at the April 23, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT (10.0)

President Karen Ragland announced that the next Regular Meeting will be held at the ESC Boardroom on April 23, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Meosha Babbs moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m. Sarah Hurianek seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous acclamation: [Meosha Babbs, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Jocelyn Gilligan, yes; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Geno Lechuga, absent; Karen Ragland, yes; Jackie Weiss, yes].

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Hurianek, 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 14, 2025.