

**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 March 11, 2026 at the Educational Services Center Boardroom, 395 South Pratt Parkway, Longmont, Colorado. The Regular Meeting was called to order by Board of Education Vice President Jim Berthold at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

Meosha Babbs, Member, Director District D
Jim Berthold, Vice President, Director District C
Sarah Hurianek, Secretary, Director District F
Geno Lechuga, Assistant Secretary, Director District G
Hadley Solomon, Member, Director District B
Jackie Weiss, Treasurer, Director District A

Board Members Absent (Excused):

Jocelyn Gilligan, President, Director District E

St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:

Alexia Blackwood, Information Security Engineer
Janay Bird, Director of Fine Arts, Performing Arts, and PE
Douglas Bissonette, Area Assistant Superintendent
Michelle Bourgeois, Chief Technology Officer
Matt Buchler, Area Assistant Superintendent
Martha Bustillos, Translation and Interpretation Coordinator
Patrick Coniway, Information Security Architect
Katie Cossette, Nutrition Services Director
Dr. Laura Hess, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education
Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Superintendent
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Bee Lambert, Information Security Apprentice
Odalys Loya, Translation and Interpretation Services
Dr. Kerri McDermid, Chief of Staff and Strategic Priorities
Tim O'Neill, General Counsel
Richard Peebles, Executive Director of Safety and Security
Dr. Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent
Axel Reitzig, Executive Director of Innovative Programs

Dr. Andrea Smith, Principal, Erie Middle School
Amanda Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Jonathan Walker, Director, Info Security and Systems Architecture
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

Destiny Duran, Student, LaunchED

Abby Martinez, Best Should Teach Award Recipient

Amanda Thompson introduced Ashlie Swanson as Principal at Frederick High School beginning July 1, 2026

Amanda Thompson introduced Shannon West as Principal at Mountain View Elementary School beginning July 1, 2026

Amanda Thompson introduced Andrew Moore as Principal at the New Elementary School #29 beginning July 1, 2026

Amanda Thompson introduced Amie McElroy as Principal at Niwot Elementary School beginning July 1, 2026

Amanda Thompson introduced Stacey Horton as Principal at Spark! Discovery Preschool beginning July 1, 2026

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (4.0)

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

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE (5.0)

Superintendent Dr. Jackie Kapushion provided several district updates beginning with the Future-Ready Festival that took place at Silver Creek High School over the weekend, the Silver Creek High School boys' basketball team's upcoming appearance in the Final Four of the state tournament, the statewide job fair hosted at Frederick High School this past weekend, the VEX Robotics tournament held last weekend, and the Middle School Honor Choir performance that took place this week.

REPORTS (6.0)

DTS Cybersecurity Update (6.1)

Michelle Bourgeois and Jon Walker provided the Board of Education with a report on districtwide cybersecurity initiatives and departmental updates.

Annual Nutrition Services Report (6.2)

Katie Cossette provided the Board of Education with an annual report on districtwide nutrition services and departmental updates.

CONSENT ITEMS (7.0)

Meosha Babbs moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.13. Geno Lechuga seconded.

1. Approval: Staff Terminations/Leaves
2. Approval: Staff Appointments
3. Approval: Minutes for the February 11, 2026 Regular Meeting, February 18, 2026 Study Session, February 25, 2026 Study Session and February 25, 2026 Regular Meeting
4. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Principal at Frederick High School
5. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Principal at Mountain View Elementary School
6. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Principal at New Elementary School #29
7. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Principal at Niwot Elementary School
8. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Principal at Spark! Discovery Preschool
9. Approval: CDOT Discretionary Aviation Grant Resolution
10. Approval: Fee Adjustment for the Northridge Elementary School Renovation Project
11. Approval: Change Order to the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) Contract for the Lyons Elementary School Secure Entrance and Remodel Project
12. Approval: Change Order to the Design-Builder Contract for the Clover Basin Warehouse Renovation Project
13. Approval: Amendment to the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) Contract with LSE Builders Group for the Black Rock Elementary School A/V Refresh Project

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

ACTION ITEMS (8.0)

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS (9.0)

Board Reports (9.1)

Meosha Babbs, Jackie Weiss, Geno Lechuga, Hadley Solomon and Jim Berthold provided updates on current district programs, events and activities.

ADJOURNMENT (10.0)

Vice President Jim Berthold announced that the next Regular Meeting will be held at the ESC Boardroom on March 25, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Meosha Babbs moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Jackie Weiss seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous acclamation: [Meosha Babbs, yes; Jim Berthold, yes; Jocelyn Gilligan, absent; Sarah Hurianek, yes; Geno Lechuga, yes; Hadley Solomon, 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 April 8, 2026