

**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 September 10, 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
Jim Berthold, Vice President, Director District C
Jocelyn Gilligan, Treasurer, Director District E
Sarah Hurianek, Secretary, Director District F
Geno Lechuga, Member, Director District G
Karen Ragland, President, Director District B

Board Members Absent (Excused):

Jackie Weiss, Assistant Secretary, Director District A

St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:

Jamie Ball, Executive Director of Assessment
Matt Buchler, Area Assistant Superintendent
Martha Bustillos, Translation and Interpretation Coordinator
Martha Clemensen, Community Schools Assistant Coordinator
Amanda Ferguson, Director, Special Education
Priscilla Gonzalez, Translation and Interpretation Services
Dr. Laura Hess, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education
Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Superintendent
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations
Dr. Kerri McDermid, Chief of Staff and Strategic Priorities
Timothy O'Neill, General Counsel
Richard Peebles, Executive Director of Safety and Security
Dr. Dina Perfetti-Deany, Area Assistant Superintendent
Tony Whiteley, Chief Financial Officer
Brendan Willits, Director of Planning
Susan Zimmerman, Community Schools Coordinator

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA (2.0)

None

VISITORS (3.0)

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

SWAP Team Award Presentation – 2025 Transition Impact Award:

Dr. Laura Hess recognized the SWAP Team
Ryan Burch - SWAP Coordinator
Heidi Fishler - SWAP Specialist
Karla Williams - SWAP Specialist
Kim Cinea - SWAP Specialist (not in attendance)

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (4.0)

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

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE (5.0)

Superintendent Dr. Jackie Kapushion shared updates on recent community meetings, fall sports and activities, Leadership St. Vrain meetings, and Student Advisory Council meetings. Expressed thoughts and support for those affected by the situation at Evergreen High School, and noted a strong start to the school year.

REPORTS (6.0)

Community Schools (6.1)

Dr. Laura Hess introduced Susan Zimmerman and Martha Clemensen who provided the Board of Education with a Community Schools Report.

CONSENT ITEMS (7.0)

Meosha Babbs moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.5. Geno Lechuga seconded.

1. Approval: Staff Terminations/Leaves
2. Approval: Staff Appointments
3. Approval: Minutes for the August 13, 2025 Regular Meeting, August 20, 2025 Study Session and August 27, 2025 Regular Meeting

4. Approval: Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy KDB - Public's Right to Know/Freedom of Information
5. Approval: Road Extension Participation Agreement Between St. Vrain Valley School District and Barefoot LLC for Road Extension to Benefit the East Transportation Terminal

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

ACTION ITEMS (8.0)

Approval of First Reading and Adoption of Board Policy JKBA - Abbreviated School Day Schedules (8.1)

Sarah Hurianek moved that the Board of Education adopt Board Policy JKBA - Abbreviated School Day Schedules. Meosha Babbs seconded.

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

Approval of Accreditation Recommendations for District Schools (8.2)

Jim Berthold moved that the Board of Education approves the accreditation recommendations for schools within the St. Vrain Valley School District. 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, yes; Karen Ragland, yes; Jackie Weiss, absent].

DISCUSSION ITEMS (9.0)

None

ADJOURNMENT (10.0)

President Karen Ragland announced that the next Regular Meeting will be held at the ESC Boardroom on September 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Jocelyn Gilligan moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Meosha Babbs seconded.

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

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 October 8, 2025