

**MINUTES
ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING (Televised)**

OPENING OF MEETING

The Board of Education of the St. Vrain Valley School District met March 23, 2011 at the Educational Services Center Board Room, 395 South Pratt Parkway, Longmont, Colorado. The meeting was called to order by Board of Education President John Creighton at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

John Creighton, Director District E
Rick Hammans, Director District A
Debbie Lammers, Director District B
Mike Schiers, Director District G
Rod Schmidt, Director District F
Dori Van Lone, Director District D

Board Members Absent (Excused):

Bob Smith, Director District C

St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:

David Burnison, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Don Haddad, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools
Mark Mills, Area 2 Assistant Superintendent
Rick Ring, Chief Operations Officer
Terry Schueler, Chief Financial Officer
Connie Syferd, Assistant Superintendent for Student Achievement
Amy Weed, Area 1 Assistant Superintendent

Topics Discussed:

- February Financials-Terry Schueler and Greg Fieth, Budget Director
- Health Insurance Update-David Burnison and Kristi Malowick, Benefits Coordinator
- Budget-Terry Schueler and Greg Fieth

No action was taken on the above topics.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

ACTION ITEMS (4.0)

Approval of Principal of Longmont Estates Elementary School (4.1)

Debbie Lammers moved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Amanda Hall for Principal of Longmont Estates Elementary School, effective July 1, 2011. Rick Hammans seconded.

David Burnison, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, introduced Ms. Hall. Ms. Hall graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from the University of Wyoming and a Masters in Educational Administration from the University of Phoenix. She has nine total years of experience in education with three years of administrative experience. Her teaching experience was at the elementary level beginning in the Cartwright School District in Arizona and then in the Brighton 27J School District in Colorado. Ms. Hall joins us from Brighton 27J School District where she is currently serving as the Assistant Principal of Second Creek Elementary School.

Mark Mills, Area 2 Assistant Superintendent, was present to congratulate and welcome Ms. Hall and to thank the hiring committee for their work.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Creighton, yes; Rick Hammans, yes; Debbie Lammers, yes; Mike Schiers, yes; Rod Schmidt, yes; Bob Smith, absent; Dori Van Lone, yes].

Approval of Benefit Plans (4.2)

Rod Schmidt moved that the Board of Education approve the offering of two medical insurance carriers by continuing fully-insured plans with Kaiser and replacing UnitedHealthcare with Cigna in the approximate amount of \$22,883,980 for the term September 1, 2011 – December 12, 2012 with no change to employee-only contributions, no change to Kaiser dependent contributions, and a 1% decrease to Cigna dependent contributions, as well as releasing the District from fiduciary liability by securing an agreement with an external vendor to administer COBRA and HIPAA for a first-year cost of approximately \$35,000 and then approximately \$15,000 per year thereafter. Dori Van Lone seconded.

Kristi Malowick, Benefits Coordinator, stated that Cigna was chosen as their product offering and reporting capabilities more closely align with the District's long-term goal of moving towards self-funding.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Creighton, yes; Rick Hammans, yes; Debbie Lammers, yes; Mike Schiers, yes; Rod Schmidt, yes; Bob Smith, absent; Dori Van Lone, yes].

ADJOURNMENT

Rod Schmidt moved that the meeting adjourn. Dori Van Lone seconded.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote: [John Creighton, yes; Rick Hammans, yes; Debbie Lammers, yes; Mike Schiers, yes; Rod Schmidt, yes; Bob Smith, absent; Dori Van Lone, yes].

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Lammers, Secretary of the Board of Education

Barb Steege, Secretary to the Board of Education

Read and approved or corrected and approved on April 13, 2011.