

Karen Ragland, President, Board of Education  
Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

Educational Services Center  
395 South Pratt Parkway  
Longmont, Colorado 80501

#### **DISTRICT VISION STATEMENT**

*To be an exemplary school district which inspires and promotes high standards of learning and student well-being in partnership with parents, guardians and the community.*

#### **DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT**

*To educate each student in a safe learning environment so that they may develop to their highest potential and become contributing citizens.*

#### **ESSENTIAL BOARD ROLES**

- Guide the superintendent
- Engage constituents
- Ensure alignment of resources
- Monitor effectiveness
- Model excellence

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

- Jim Berthold, Vice President
- Meosha Brooks, Member
- Jocelyn Gilligan, Treasurer
- Sarah Hurianek, Secretary
- Geno Lechuga, Member
- Karen Ragland, President
- Jackie Weiss, Assistant Secretary

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS**

*The Board of Education values community perspectives and the feedback from our parents, teachers, staff and community. During Board Meetings, the Board will hear up to 30 minutes of public comment on non-agenda items and 30 minutes of public comment on agenda-specific items.*

- Each person is limited to three minutes of public comment
- The manner of your comments must be appropriate for the business meeting of the board.
- If you are speaking to a non-agenda item, you must limit your remarks to matters of public concern about the district.
- Concerns about the day-to-day operations of the district should first be referred through the proper administrative channels before it is presented to the board.

Learn more at <http://stvra.in/publiccomment>

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER:**

6:00 pm Special Meeting

#### **2. REPORTS:**

2.1. Community Polling Results of Proposed Bond Survey

#### **3. ACTION ITEMS:**

3.1. Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution of Intent to Participate in the 2024 Coordinated Election

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Board of Education Meetings: Held at 395 South Pratt Parkway,  
Board Room, unless otherwise noted:**

Wednesday, August 14

6:00 - 8:00 pm Regular Meeting

Wednesday, August 21

6:00 - 8:00 pm Study Session

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 7, 2024

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Report to the Board on Polling Results from Secondary Surveys Related to Potential Bond Election  
Strategic Priority - High Functioning School Board/Strong District Finances

PURPOSE

To update the Board of Education on secondary surveys related to a potential Bond Referendum Question on the 2024 Ballot in the amount of \$739.8 million to address the increase in enrollment, preserve capital assets, adapt educational space and enhance school security.

BACKGROUND

Because the District needs to continue with student and staff safety, has building preservation needs, wants to ensure every student can compete in a global environment, and is continuing to grow, the District performed a community poll in January 2024 with favorable support. To ensure that the stakeholders of the District were still in support of the potential Bond Referendum Question, an on-line survey was completed from May through June, and a secondary poll was completed in early July. The results of the survey and poll are designed to assist the Board of Education on whether to participate in the November 2024 general election.

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 7, 2024

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Don Haddad, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution of Intent to Participate in the 2024 Coordinated Election  
Strategic Priority - High Functioning School Board/Strong District Finances

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education submit a Bond Referendum Question on the 2024 Ballot in the amount of \$739.8 million to improve safety and security, preserve capital assets, enhance educational space, and address the increase in enrollment. Further, the Board directs the administration to work with bond counsel to bring proposed ballot language for action to the August 14, 2024 Board Meeting.

BACKGROUND

It has become necessary to consider a bond referendum to address the growth of the District. Because the District needs to continue with student and staff safety, has building preservation needs, wants to ensure every student can compete in a global environment, and continues to grow in enrollment, it has become necessary to consider a bond referendum. A Planning Committee was formed in the Fall of 2023 to set and prioritize needs and finalize options. A Community Task Force met in the Spring and made a unanimous recommendation to the Board to request \$739.8 million in bonds from the voters to improve school security, preserve capital assets, enhance educational space and address the increase in enrollment.

**RESOLUTION**  
**Consideration of a 2024 Bond Question**

**WHEREAS**, a Community Task Force has unanimously recommended to the Board that the District request an increase in District debt of approximately \$739,800,000 to address capital needs, enhance student and staff security, ensure all students are prepared to succeed in a global setting, and address growth; and

**WHEREAS**, there is significant need across the District to upgrade facilities, build new facilities and expand others to meet the growing demand and enhance school safety.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J:**

1. The Board of Education directs staff to draft ballot language aligned with the principles and recommendations set forth above.
2. The Board of Education intends to consider ballot language for the 2024 Bond at its August 14, 2024 Board Meeting and, if approved, submit the ballot question to the Counties by the deadline for ballot submissions for inclusion in the November 2024 ballot.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED on August 7, 2024.

**ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Karen Ragland, President, Board of Education

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ATTEST:

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Sarah Hurianek, Secretary, Board of Education