

**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 October 22, 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  
Jackie Weiss, Assistant Secretary, Director District A

**Board Members Absent (Excused):**

None

**St. Vrain Valley School District Staff Present:**

Kelly Addington, Learning Coach  
Dr. David Baker, Professional Development Coordinator  
Jamie Ball, Executive Director of Assessment  
Josh Barnett, Principal, New Mead PK-8  
Janay Bird, Director, Fine Arts/Performing Arts/PE  
Douglas Bissonette, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Matt Buchler, Area Assistant Superintendent  
Martha Bustillos, Translation and Interpretation Coordinator  
Olga Cordero, Executive Director, Student Support Services  
Janette Rivera Gonzalez, Elementary Biliteracy/ELD Coordinator  
Josh Griffin, Principal, Erie High School  
Dr. Russ Fox, Principal, Frederick High School  
Jane Frederick, Comptroller  
Traci Haley, Principal, Longmont Estates Elementary  
Dr. Jackie Kapushion, Superintendent  
Brian Lamer, Assistant Superintendent of Operations  
Dr. Diane Lauer, Chief Academic Officer

Odalys Loya, Translation and Interpretation Services  
Chase McBride, Assistant Superintendent of Ath/Act/Fine Arts/Unified/PE  
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  
Oakley Schilling, Secondary ELL 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.

City of Longmont Police Commander Doug Ross

Carly Evans - Frederick High School student

Erie High School Student Recognition:

Cisco Certified Network Association Licensure (Top Cisco Certification) - Jacob Trujillo

Amanda Thompson introduced Alvin Brown as Executive Director of Legal Services beginning November 1, 2025

Paul Niedermuller - CliftonLarsonAllen

### **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 the LiftED event at the Innovation Center, including student participation; the 40th Anniversary celebration at Sanborn Elementary; the recent Leadership St. Vrain meeting; the Fall Choral Festival at Skyline High School; various fall sporting events; the Colorado Business Roundtable “View from the Top” event; and meetings between gubernatorial candidates and local superintendents.

### **REPORTS (6.0)**

#### **2025 Professional Development Update (6.1)**

Dr. Diane Lauer provided the Board of Education with an update of the Professional Development activities planned for the 2025-2026 academic year.

**Summer and Extended Learning Programming Update (6.2)**

Jamie Ball updated the Board of Education on the Summer and Extended Learning Programming of 2025.

**2025 Fiscal Year Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (6.3)**

Tony Whiteley provided the Board of Education an update on the draft of the 2025 Fiscal Year Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

**CONSENT ITEMS (7.0)**

Geno Lechuga moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.3. Jim Berthold seconded.

1. Approval: Recommendation to Hire Executive Director of Legal Services
2. Approval: Amendment to the Design-Builder Contract for the Clover Basin Warehouse Renovation Project
3. Approval: Amendment to Thunder Valley K-8 Strategic Remodel

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, yes].

**ACTION ITEMS (8.0)**

**Adoption of Resolution Approving 2025-2026 District Employee Membership in Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSSA) (8.1)**

Jim Berthold moved that the Board of Education adopt a resolution approving 2025-2026 District employee membership in CHSAA. 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, yes].

**Approval of School Name, Colors, and Mascot for the New PK-8 in Mead (8.2)**

Sarah Hurianek moved that the Board of Education approve the selection of one of the school names, colors, and mascots submitted by the Mead PK-8 Naming Committee as the official name for the new PK-8 in Mead. Jim Berthold 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, yes].

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS (9.0)**

### **Board Reports (9.1)**

Jim Berthold, Geno Lechuga, Jocelyn Gilligan, Jackie Weiss, Meosha Babbs, and Karen Ragland provided updates on current district programs, events and activities.

## **ADJOURNMENT (10.0)**

President Karen Ragland announced that the next Regular Meeting will be held at the ESC Boardroom on November 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Meosha Babbs moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Jocelyn Gilligan 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, 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 November 12, 2025