

HARTSBURG-EMDEN COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT # 21
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, April 26, 2021
7:00 P.M.

THE PUBLIC CAN ATTEND THIS MEETING
IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE WILL BE LIMITED TO 20
(in the Jr./Sr. High School Cafeteria at 7:00pm)

Due to the Phase IV guidelines regarding COVID-19 and the relaxing of the Open Meeting Act requirements, this School Board Meeting will be held in the Jr./Sr. High School Cafeteria as to maintain 6 feet social distancing requirements. If the public wishes to attend, please call the Superintendent, Terry Wisniewski, at 217-642-5244 and request a seat (face masks will be required for public attendance). If seats fill up, you will also be able to attend by phone, dial in and listen to the School Board Meeting and/or provide comment during public comment period.

Prior to the meeting, you may also submit a public comment remotely by email, please send an email to the Superintendent at twisniewski@hartem.org, and inserting in the subject line for the email "Public Comment for School Board Meeting on 4-26-21". Your comments will be read during the "Persons Wishing to Address the Board" section of the meeting. Please call the Superintendent at 217-642-5244 between 8:00am – 1:00pm or by email at twisniewski@hartem.org and we'll make sure you are set up to attend the meeting.

Call to Order – Time: **7:02pm**

Roll Call:

Aper – X	Craig - X	
Miller - X	Phillips - X	
Groth - X	Zinser - X	Cross - X

Introduction of Guests/Persons Wishing to Address the Board

Consent Agenda

a. Approve Agenda

Motion by **Zinser** to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by **Craig**.

Roll Call:

Craig - X	Phillips - X	
Groth -	Zinser - X	
Cross - X	Aper – X	Miller - X

New Business – Information/Action

a. Seating of the new Hartsburg-Emden CUSD #21 School Board of Education

Old Business – Information/Action

a. There is no new or old business to come before this Board at this time. Exiting Board Members may be recalled, at a later date, if any business of this Board would become before the new Board.

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Report Results of Canvass – Mr. Wisniewski

Dirk Aper	118 (outside Orvil Township)
Greg Phillips	134 (inside Orvil Township)

Candidates ran uncontested (inside and outside Orvil Township) and the following vote totals are the official Certified Results from both Logan and Tazewell Counties.

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Proclaim the Results of the Election – Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Wisniewski: "I proclaim that Dirk Aper and Greg Phillips have been elected to four-year terms to the Hartsburg-Emden C.U.S.D. # 21 Board of Education."

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Oath of Office for newly and re-elected Board Members

Mr. Wisniewski: **“I will now affirm and re-affirm the elected members of the School Board.”**

Mr. Wisniewski to newly elected Board Members: **“Please stand, raise your right hand, and repeat after me:”**

I (*state your name*) . . .

do solemnly affirm that . . .

I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the School Board of Education of Hartsburg-Emden Community Unit School District # 21, . . .

in accordance with the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois and the laws of the State of Illinois, to the best of my ability . . .

I further affirm that:

I shall respect taxpayer interests by serving as a faithful protector of the school district’s assets;

I shall encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow Board Members . . . and others who seek a hearing before this Board, . . . while respecting the privacy of students and employees;

I shall recognize that a Board Member has no legal authority as an individual . . . and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a public Board Meeting;

and I shall abide by majority decisions of the School Board, . . . while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels.

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With there being no more old business to come before this Board, a motion by **Zinser** to adjourn “sine die” at **7:07p.m.** Seconded by **Miller**.

(Time)

All in favor:

Yea - **6**

Nay -

Adjournment (“sine die”) – Time: **7:07pm**

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Seating of New Board Members

Newly elected Board Members take their seats at this time. Exiting Board Members are dismissed . . . thank you for your service to our school.

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Organization of New Board

Superintendent, Terry Wisniewski will be acting Temporary Chairman (and Secretary) for initial portion of the Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Wisniewski/Temporary Chairman: Call to order the Organizational Meeting – Time: 7:09pm

Roll Call:

Aper – X
Cross - X

Miller - X
Phillips - X

Craig - X

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Nomination for President

Mr. Wisniewski/Temporary Chairman: Nominations are now in order for the office of President of the Hartsburg-Emden CUSD #21 School Board of Education.

(any Board Member may nominate) **Dirk Aper** : I nominate **Greg Phillips** for the office of President of the Board.

Mr. Wisniewski/Temporary Chairman: **Greg Phillips** has been nominated for the position of President. Are there any other nominations for the office of President?
- - (this should be stated at least 3 times) . . . to ensure all nominations are gathered

Mr. Wisniewski/Temporary Chairman: If there are no further nominations, nominations for the office of President are closed.

Vote on Nomination (Unanimous or Roll Call)

If only one person is nominated, the Temporary Chairman (and Secretary) record a unanimous vote for that person and that person will thereby be declared elected . . . if there is more than one nomination, a roll call of each Board Members vote will be recorded.

If needed,

Roll Call:

Craig – X
Miller – X

Cross - X
Aper – X

Phillips - X

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Seating of newly elected Board President

Newly elected Board President takes his/her seat . . . and finish the rest of the Organizational Meeting.

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Nomination for Vice-President

President: Nominations are now in order for the office of Vice-President of the Hartsburg-Emden CUSD #21 School Board of Education.

(any Board Member may nominate) **Dirk Aper** : I nominate **Kent Cross** for the office of Vice-President of the Board.

President: **Kent Cross** has been nominated for the position of Vice-President. Are there any other nominations for the office of Vice-President?
- - (this should be stated at least 3 times) . . . to ensure all nominations are gathered

President: If there are no further nominations, nominations for the office of Vice-President are closed.

Vote on Nomination (Unanimous or Roll Call)

If only one person is nominated, the President record a unanimous vote for that person and that person will thereby be declared elected . . . if there is more than one nomination, a roll call of each Board Members vote will be recorded.

If needed,

Roll Call:

Aper – X
Craig – X

Miller - X
Phillips - X

Cross - X

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Nomination for Board Secretary

President: Nominations are now in order for the office of Board Secretary of the Hartsburg-Emden CUSD #21 School Board of Education.

(any Board Member may nominate) **Kent Cross** : I nominate **Dirk Aper** for the office of Board Secretary.

President: **Dirk Aper** has been nominated for the position of Board Secretary. Are there any other nominations for the office of Board Secretary?

- - *(this should be stated at least 3 times) . . . to ensure all nominations are gathered*

Predident: If there are no further nominations, nominations for the office of Board Secretary are closed.

Vote on Nomination (Unanimous or Roll Call)

If only one person is nominated, the President record a unanimous vote for that person and that person will thereby be declared elected . . . if there is more than one nomination, a roll call vote will be recorded.

If needed,

Roll Call:

Cross – X
Miller – X

Craig - X
Phillips – X

Aper - X

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Seating of newly elected Board Vice-President and Board Secretary

Newly elected Board Vice-President and Board Secretary take their seats.

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Meeting Dates

The third (3rd) Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. is the usual scheduled Regular Board Meeting date and time. If a holiday falls on the third (3rd) Monday, the fourth Monday usually becomes the scheduled Regular Board Meeting date. The Board establishes meeting dates each June for the following fiscal years. Those dates are posted on the schools website.

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Resolution Regarding Board Policies

Secretary: Be it resolved that the newly organized Board of Education of Hartsburg-Emden Community Unit School District # 21, Logan and Tazewell Counties, Illinois shall operate under the policies and procedures of the previous Board with power to amend such policies and procedures.

Motion by **Craig** to adopt the resolution as presented. Seconded by **Miller**.

All in favor:

Yea - 5
Nay -

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Motion by **Miller** to adjourn the Organizational Meeting. Seconded by **Craig**.

All in favor:
Yea - **5**
Nay -

Adjournment (Organizational Meeting) – Time: **7:14pm**

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Special Board Meeting

Call to Order the New Board of Education – Time: **7:14pm**

Roll Call:
Phillips - **X** Aper - **X**
Cross - **X** Miller - **X** Craig - **X**

Introduction of Guests/Persons Wishing to Address the Board

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Agenda

Motion by **Cross** to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by **Miller**.

Roll Call:
Craig - **X** Phillips - **X**
Cross - **X** Aper – **X** Miller - **X**

New Business – Information

- a. 2021-2022 School Calendar
- b. Search for Open School Board Seats

New Business – Action

- a. 2021-2022 School Calendar

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Motion by **Craig** to approve the proposed 2021-2022 school calendar as presented. Seconded by **Miller**.

All in favor:
Yea - **5**
Nay -

Motion by **Miller** to adjourn Special Board Meeting. Seconded by **Craig**.

All in favor:
Yea - **5**
Nay -

Adjournment (Special Board Meeting) – Time: **7:28pm**