

AGENDA
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #4
EMERGENCY MEETING of the BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Unity High School Band Room
Mendon, IL

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Public Participation – Visitor and Comments
5. Consideration of temporary exclusion of students
6. Meeting in Closed Session to consider the following subjects: a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District; b) collective negotiating matters between the School District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; c) the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District; d) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District; e) the sale or purchase of investments; f) emergency security procedures; g) student disciplinary cases; h) the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students; i) pending, probable, or imminent litigation; j) attorney/client privilege; k) approval of certain closed session minutes for distribution to the public; or other matters appropriate for a closed meeting pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.
7. Meeting in Open Session to consider and take action on matters specifically authorized for closed session consideration, pursuant to paragraph 6 above.
8. Considering and take action on all other matters necessary and appropriate to the operation of the School District which may properly be considered and/or acted upon at such Emergency Meeting in Open or Closed Sessions.
9. Adjournment

Exhibit A

PUBLIC NOTICE
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #4, ADAMS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
NOTICE OF EMERGENCY MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO BE HELD ON
Wednesday, September 1, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Emergency Meeting of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District #4, Adams County, Illinois (commonly known as Mendon Unity), has been called by the President of the Board of Education for Wednesday, September 1, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Band Room, 453 West Collins, in Mendon, Illinois, at which time and place the Board of Education will meet in **EMERGENCY SESSION** for the purposes of:

1. Consideration of temporary exclusion of students.
2. Meeting in Closed Session to consider the following subjects: a) the appointment, employment, compensation; discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District; b) collective negotiating matters between the School District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; c) the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District; d) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District; e) the sale or purchase of investments; f) emergency security procedures; g) student disciplinary cases; h) the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students; i) pending, probable, or imminent litigation; j) attorney/client privilege; k) approval of certain closed session minutes for distribution to the public; or other matters appropriate for a closed meeting pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.
3. Meeting in Open Session to consider and take action on matters specifically authorized for closed session consideration, pursuant to paragraph 2 above.
4. Considering and take action on all other matters necessary and appropriate to the operation of the School District which may properly be considered and/or acted upon at such Emergency Meeting in Open or Closed Session.

Agenda is attached as Exhibit A.

/s/ Steve Arnsman
Secretary, Board of Education

Dated this 31st day of August 2021

**CALL OF SPECIAL MEETING
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #4, ADAMS COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

The undersigned, the President of the Board of Education, does hereby call an Emergency Meeting for Wednesday, September 1, 2021, at the hour of 6:00 p.m. in the Unity High School Band Room, 453 West Collins, in Mendon, Illinois, at which time and place the Board of Education will meet in **EMERGENCY SESSION** for the purpose of:

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· /s/ James Farmer
President, CUSD #4

Dated August 31, 2021

**Minutes of Emergency Meeting of the
Community Unit School District #4 Board of Education
Adams and Hancock Counties, Illinois
Held on September 1, 2021**

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #4 met in emergency session on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, in the Unity High School Band Room. The meeting was called to order by President Farmer at 6:00 p.m. Members present were: Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen, and Shaffer. Administrators Arnsman, Klusmeyer and Sheffler were present. Superintendent Riddle was present. 26 visitors were present.

MOTION: Duke "to approve agenda items as presented." SECOND: Janssen ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Agenda Items
MOTION: Duke "to move to closed session at 6:15 p.m." SECOND: Fler ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, and Janssen. Nay – Arnsman and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Closed Session
MOTION: Janssen "to return to open session at 8:00 p.m. ." SECOND: Humke ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Open Session
MOTION: Janssen "to adjourn at 9:02 p.m." SECOND: Arnsman ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Adjourn
<p style="text-align: center;">Next meeting will be a Regular Board Meeting, Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Unity High School Band Room.</p>	
President _____ Secretary _____	September 15, 2021

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
Motion: Duke 2nd: Janssen 7-0 Approved
4. Public Participation – Visitor and Comments
4 individuals addressed the board about exclusion of students/Sex Ed & CRT
5. Consideration of temporary exclusion of students
Board discussed the direction given to the superintendent and administration concerning exclusion of students.
(See Attached)
6. Meeting in Closed Session to consider the following subjects: **a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District;** **b) collective negotiating matters between the School District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees;** **c) the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District;** **d) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District;** **e) the sale or purchase of investments;** **f) emergency security procedures;** **g) student disciplinary cases;** **h) the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students;** **i) pending, probable, or imminent litigation;** **j) attorney/client privilege;** **k) approval of certain closed session minutes for distribution to the public; or other matters appropriate for a closed meeting pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.**
Motion: Duke 2nd: Fleece 5-2 approved Enter: 6:15 Exit: 8:00
7. Meeting in Open Session to consider and take action on matters specifically authorized for closed session consideration, pursuant to paragraph 6 above.
No action taken
8. Considering and take action on all other matters necessary and appropriate to the operation of the School District which may properly be considered and/or acted upon at such Emergency Meeting in Open or Closed Sessions.
No action taken
9. Adjournment 9:02 pm

Exhibit A

Current student exclusion protocols

9.1.21

1. Quarantines will be honored only when official documentation through a health departments order received and will only be required for 48 hours. We will recommend they follow the prescribed quarantine from the health department, but we will only require the 48 hours. The health department will be the ones quarantining students not us and they will also be contacting those needing to quarantine.
2. We are only requiring the 48 hours due to the fact the state's attorney is not enforcing the continuation with a court order due to lack of staffing and time.
3. Close contacts are only those students or staff that are not following the layered mitigations we have in place for social distancing and masking. Theoretically we should be adhering to those mitigations so we should not have many if any close contacts.
4. When we have a positive case verified, we are required in Illinois, to contract trace per Part 690 Control of Communicable Disease Code, Subpart I. Further, the Communicable Disease Code also requires mandatory reporting of any suspect, confirmed or probable case of COVID-19 to the local health department immediately (within 3 hours).
5. This translates to us reliably masking and social distancing 3 ft or we are required to submit those individuals that would then be considered close contacts.
6. We will adopt the Test to Stay program to allow parents to voluntarily test out their children from quarantine if they have an official negative test and no symptoms (Day 1-3-5-7).
7. We will revisit the metrics and positivity rate for our district and adjust as necessary to maintain our goal of in-person education for all of our students.