

**MINUTES OF THE ESU #11 BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2021**

The Board of Educational Service Unit #11 of the State of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as ESU #11, held a special meeting at the Office Building in Holdrege, Nebraska on December 14, 2021 with the following members present: Chris Erickson, Machelle Havenridge, Galen Kronhofman, Linda Leising, Mary Oman, Craig Philips, Richard Phillips, Kim Scoville, and Nate Stineman. Gary Smidt was absent. Visitors: Cindy Huff and Robin Stevens of Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association.

Board President, Richard Phillips, opened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Notification was made of the open meetings law. The open meeting laws were on display throughout the Board Meeting. Public Notice that the special meeting of the Board of ESU #11 would be held on December 15, 2021 was published on the ESU #11 website and posted on the ESU #11 entry doors on December 7, 2021. The Public Notice also stated that a current agenda of items to be brought before the Board was available for public inspection in the office of ESU #11 and that reasonable accommodations for individuals with special needs who want to attend the meeting would be provided on request if sufficient advance notice is given.

Cindy Huff and Robin Stevens reviewed the procedure and process to conduct interviews of two candidates to find a replacement for retiring ESU #11 Administrator, Dr. Greg Barnes. The Board proceeded to interview the following candidates: Todd Hilyard and Lona Nelson.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit #11 will be held on December 20, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Board President, Richard Phillips, declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Oman, Board Secretary