

**Hinsdale School Board Meeting
SAU Conference Room
January 14, 2026
6:00 PM**

Zoom Link:

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Meeting ID: 880 7500 5127

Board Members Present: April Anderson, Wayne Dingman, Jr., Kendra Gardner, and Jameson Stebbins

Board Members Excused: Kaylah Hemlow

Administration Present: Nathan Boudreau, Facilities Director; Dr. Molly Bremner, HES Principal; Jane Fortson, Business Administrator; Anna Roth, HMHS Principal; Dr. David Ryan, Superintendent; Justin Therieau, Director of Technology; and Karen Thompson, Director of Academics and Career Readiness

Administration Attending Remotely: Patty Wallace, Director of Student Services

Minutes Recorded by: Maria Webb, Executive Assistant

Call to Order:

A. Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

A. Anderson reviewed the guidelines for holding the Zoom meeting.

Review of the Manifests:

Discussed some corrections and a new copy will be provided at the next meeting.

Minutes:

The Board reviewed the following:

1. Public and non-public minutes of December 3, 2025.
2. Public and non-public minutes of December 15, 2025.

**W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to approve the minutes listed above. K. Gardner SECONDED.
VOTE: 3-0-0, MOTION PASSED.**

Citizens' Comments:

A. Anderson opened Citizens' Comments for 30 minutes. There were no citizens attending.

Robotics Presentation:

Mark Phillips, HMHS Computer Science Teacher, presented a robotics project that the 7th Grade students are working on. The Board thanked Mr. Phillips for his work.

Student Board Member Items:

Jameson Stebbins shared that students are busy preparing for mid-terms next week.

Leadership Updates:

Senior Leadership provided reports to the Board prior to the Holiday Break.

Budget Development Planning:

The Town will be paving School Street in the summer of 2026. J. Fortson shared a quote for paving the school parking lots at the same time. The cost would be approximately \$75,000.00. Discussed a maintenance expendable trust.

Scheduled a public hearing for Feb. 11th at 6:00 PM, at the start of the February School Board meeting.

A. Anderson noted that the Budget Committee requested that the Board consider additional decreases to the proposed budget.

It was noted that we have a 2.5% decrease, even with an increase in the number of students and increases due to contractual obligations.

Scheduled a follow-up budget planning meeting for Thursday, Jan. 22nd at 5:00 PM.

Budget Public Forum Discussion:

Scheduled a public forum for Tuesday, Feb. 17th at 5:30 PM.

Annual District Meeting Discussion:

Saturday, March 14, 2026, at the conclusion of the Town portion of the meeting.

School Board Evaluations:

Due by Monday, Feb. 2, 2026.

2026-2027 Calendar Draft:

Dr. Ryan presented the proposed calendar for 2026-2027.

Discussed edits:

- Observe Washington's Birthday during the February break instead of Feb. 15th.
- This makes the last day of school June 15, 2027.

K. Gardner MOVED to approve the calendar with the edits above. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. VOTE: 3-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Policies – First Readings:

1. Policy Updates:

- a. BGAA – Policy Development, Adoption and Review
- b. IKFG – Career Exploration, Readiness, Pathways and Credentials
- c. IMBD – High School Credit for 7th and 8th Grade Advanced Coursework
- d. IMDA – Patriotic Exercises
- e. JG – Assignment of Students to Classes and Grade Level
- f. JIC – Student Conduct
- g. JICL – School district Internet Access for Students
- h. JLCF – District Wellness Policy
- i. JLCK – Physical and Emotional Wellbeing of Students
- j. JLIA – Supervision of Students

2. Rescinded Policies:

- a. BGA – Policy Development System
- b. BGB – Policy Adoption
- c. BGC – Policy Review and Evaluation/Manual Accuracy
- d. BGE – Policy Dissemination

W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to approve the policies listed above as First Readings as a group. K. Gardner SECONDED. VOTE: 3-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Other Business:

Discussed questions on the financials for January. J. Fortson to review the items.

Committee Reports:

- 1. Budget Committee** – Meeting Jan. 21st.
- 2. Community Connections** – A. Anderson is posting upcoming events.
- 3. Facilities Maintenance/Emergency** – Facilities Committee met Jan. 9th. N. Boudreau reviewed the status of the lighting project.
- 4. HASP Advisory Board** –K. Gardner shared an update from the meeting today. There are 135 HES students & 109 HMS students enrolled this quarter. Waiting to hear about funding for next year. MUW is providing interns.
- 5. Legislation/NHSBA** - A. Anderson shared that the state voted down the school budget cap.

6. **Personnel Committee** – Meeting Jan. 27th.
7. **Policy Committee** – Met earlier today.
8. **Selectboard** – W. Dingman, Jr. will attend going forward.
9. **Tuition Exploratory Committee** – No update.
10. **Wellness** – Meeting Jan. 28th.

Citizens' Comments:

There were no comments at this time.

A. Anderson congratulated P. Wallace on her nomination for Special Education Director of the Year. There will be a site visit on Jan. 29th (snow date Jan. 30th).

Non-public:

W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to enter into a nonpublic session according to RSA 91 A:3 II (a) (c) at 7:36 pm. K. Gardner SECONDED. Roll Call: A. Anderson – yes, W. Dingman, Jr. – yes, and K. Gardner – yes. VOTE: 3-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

N. Boudreau, Dr. Bremner, A. Roth, J. Stebbins, J. Therieau, K. Thompson, and P. Wallace were excused at 7:36 PM.

W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to reconvene the public session at 8:16 pm. K. Gardner SECONDED. Roll Call: A. Anderson – yes, W. Dingman, Jr. – yes, and K. Gardner – yes. VOTE: 3-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Adjournment:

K. Gardner MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. VOTE: 3-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

I attest that this is a true copy of the minutes:

Maria A. Webb

approved on _____