

Hinsdale School Board Work Session
SAU Conference Room
January 22, 2026
5:00 PM

Board Members Present: April Anderson, Wayne Dingman, Jr., Kendra Gardner, and Kaylah Hemlow

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

Administration Excused: Nathan Boudreau, Facilities Director

Budget Committee Member Attending: Alex Duso

Minutes Recorded by: Maria Webb, Executive Assistant

Call to Order:

A. Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

Citizens' Comments:

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

Budget Planning:

A. Anderson provided an update from the Budget Committee meeting.

The Board reviewed the proposed budget and discussed additional decreases. Administration answered questions from the Board. J. Fortson and Dr. Ryan shared potential budget decreases totaling approximately \$52,000.

J. Fortson shared proposed 2026-2027 Revenue and Credit Estimates. Discussed the tax impact analysis on the proposed budget.

Warrant Articles:

Article 01 Operating Budget

To see if the Hinsdale School District will vote to raise and appropriate the school board's recommended amount of \$15,068,262 (Fifteen million, sixty-eight thousand, two-hundred and sixty-two dollars) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The school board recommends/does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. The

budget committee recommends /does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. (Majority vote required.)

This equals a 2.59% decrease in the budget.

K. Hemlow MOVED to approve Article 01 Operating Budget as written above. K. Gardner SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Article 02 Fuel Expendable Trust

To see if the Hinsdale School District will vote to establish a Fuel Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 198:20-c, V for the purpose of setting aside funds from unspent fuel account lines to be used to offset cost coverages for future years and to raise and appropriate up to \$10,000 (Ten thousand dollars) to be placed in the fund to come from unspent fuel accounts fund balance; further to name the school board as agents to expend from the fund. The school board recommends/does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. The budget committee recommends /does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. (Majority vote required.)

W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to approve Article 02 Fuel Expendable Trust as written above. K. Gardner SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Article 03 To Fund the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund

To see if the Hinsdale School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum up to \$25,000 (Twenty-five thousand dollars) to be added to the Special Education expendable trust fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30, 2026, fund balance available for transfer on July 1. The school board recommends/does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. The budget committee recommends /does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. (Majority vote required.)

K. Hemlow MOVED to approve Article 03 To Fund the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund as written above. W. Dingman, Jr. SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Article 04 To fund the Maintenance Expendable Trust

To see if the Hinsdale School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum up to \$25,000 (Twenty-five thousand dollars) to be added to the School Building Maintenance expendable trust fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30, 2026, fund balance available for transfer on July 1. The school board recommends/does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. The budget committee recommends /does not recommend this appropriation by a vote of x-x. (Majority vote required.)

K. Hemlow MOVED to approve Article 04 To Fund the Maintenance Expendable Trust as written above. K. Gardner SECONDED. VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.

Article 05 Other Business

To transact any other business as may lawfully come before the meeting.

No action needed.

Article 06 Reports

Shall the Hinsdale School District receive the reports of its agents, auditors, committees, and officers?

No action needed.

Other Business:

There was no other business.

Adjournment:

**W. Dingman, Jr. MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 pm. K. Hemlow SECONDED.
VOTE: 4-0-0, MOTION PASSED.**

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

Maria A. Webb

approved on _____