

HAWLEY SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

December 22, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kara Brager, Jeff Lee, Emily Odland, Mark Sellin
MEMBERS ABSENT: Steve Olson, Austin Peterson, Bobbi Siegel
OTHERS PRESENT: Phil Jensen, Kelly Anderson, Chris Ellingson, Maria Beringer, Brett Mayer Schmit, Nick Birchem, Jen Miller, Kelli Langerud, Sean Mork, Shelly Hanson, Genna Underdahl, Stacy Hanson, Keith Hanson, Ann Marie Stewart and Jordan Pangrac (Ingensa)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sellin at 7:00 p.m.

Lee/Odland to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried: 4-0

Board held the 2025 Payable 2026 Tax Levy Hearing at 7:02 p.m.

The following Committee Reports were given: Member Lee – Administrative; Member Odland – Finance and Negotiations

Kelly Anderson presented the High School Principal's report.

Chris Ellingson presented the Elementary Principal's report.

Brett Mayer Schmit presented the Activities Director report

Superintendent Jensen presented the Administrative report.

Enrollment numbers for December 1, 2025 were presented – 1,079 students K-12.

Scheduled Meetings: Regular Board Meeting – Monday, January 26th. @ 7 pm

Lee/Brager to approve the consent agenda with the removal of 6.5: (moved to the January 26th, 2026 agenda)

- 6.1 December 3, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes
- 6.2 Resignation – Peter Wollin – JH FB Coach
- 6.3 Resignation – Makenzie Halvorson – C Team Volleyball Coach
- 6.4 Long Term Custodial Sub – Glenn Anderson [\$19.93/hr – Lane 8/Step F]
- 6.5 Head FB Coach – Nathan Brager [\$7,359 – 12% - 8] - REMOVED
- 6.6 JH BBB Coach – Elijah Morris [\$2,905] - 5.5% - 2]

Motion carried: 4-0

Brager/Lee to approve the \$200 donation from ROR Junk Removal for e-Sports.

Motion carried: 4-0

Brager/Odland to approve the \$50 Gunkelman donation for BBB.

Motion carried: 4-0

Odland/ Brager to approve the \$100 Gussiaas Farm donation for BBB.

Motion carried: 4-0

Odland/ Lee to approve the \$25 Brager donation for BBB.

Motion carried: 3-0 (Brager abstained)

Brager/Odland to approve the \$1,000 Baer Egg Co. donation for Archery.

Motion carried: 4-0

Odland/ Brager to approve the \$500 Leiseter Custom Machining donation for VB.

Motion carried: 4-0

Odland/ Brager to approve the \$275 Ludwig Farm donation for Drama.

Motion carried: 4-0

Olson/Brager to approve the November board bills totaling \$2,439,501.53 (ACH & Checks #75321-75434), and Treasurer's report as presented.

Motion carried: 4-0

Lee/Odland to approve the FY 25 Audit Report.
Motion carried: 4-0

Brager/Odland to approve 2025 Payable 2026 Levy Limitation & Certification.
Motion carried: 4-0

Member Lee introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COMBINED POLLING PLACES FOR MULTIPLE PRECINCTS AND
DESIGNATING HOURS DURING WHICH THE POLLING PLACES WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR VOTING
FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS NOT HELD ON THE DAY OF A STATEWIDE ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 150, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for school district elections are those precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the school district which have been established by the cities or towns located in whole or in part within the school district. The board hereby confirms those precincts and polling places so established by those municipalities.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the board may establish a combined polling place for several precincts for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election. Each combined polling place must be a polling place that has been designated for use as a polling place by a county or municipality. The following combined polling places are established to serve the precincts specified for all school district special and general elections not held on the same day as a statewide election in the calendar year following the adoption of this resolution:

COMBINED POLLING PLACE:	Hawley Community Center 418 Main Street Hawley, MN 56549
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This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District No. 150 located in Hawley; Clay County, Minnesota.

3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.09, the polling place will remain open for voting for school district elections not held on the same day as a statewide election between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

4. The Clerk is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the county auditor of the county in which the school district is located in whole, within thirty (30) days after its adoption.

5. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.16, Subdivision 1a, the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of new polling place locations to each affected household with at least one registered voter in the school district whose school district polling place location has been changed. The notice must be a nonforwardable notice mailed at least twenty-five (25) days before the date of the first election to which it will apply. A notice that is returned as undeliverable must be forwarded immediately to the appropriate county auditor, who shall change the registrant's status to "challenged" in the statewide registration system.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Brager and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor: Brager, Lee, Odland, Sellin, and the following voted against the same: none whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Lee/Odland to approve the FY 27 Budget Calendar as presented.
Motion carried: 4-0

Brager/Odland to approve the sale of the 2015 Dodge van for \$2700.
Motion carried: 4-0

Member Lee introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION FOR THE LEASE OF TWO (2) BLUBIRD BUSES FROM BELL EQUIPMENT FINANCE TOTALING \$272,606.23

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Brager and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor: Brager, Lee, Oldland, Sellin, and the following voted against the same: none whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Superintendent Search Timeline:

Applications will close on January 12th at 3 p.m.

The school board will review candidate applications at a special board meeting on January 21st @ 7 p.m.

The first round of interviews will take place on January 27th (time TBD following the meeting on the 21st)

Lee/Brager to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Motion carried: 4-0