

DRAYTON PUBLIC SCHOOL  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 15TH, 2025  
6:30 AM COMMUNITY ROOM

Board Present: Jessica Hermanson, Randy Corrick(zoom), Reid Christenson, Michael Emanuelson  
Present: Jason Keating, Jessica Gunderson, Angela Aasand  
Hatloy called the meeting to order at 6:30 AM.  
Christenson motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of 1b kitchen cooler, fa Drayton Bucks, seconded by Emanuelson, and approved by all.  
Hermanson made a motion to approve the consent agenda (11/13/25 minutes, bills, and financial reports), seconded by Emanuelson, and approved by all.

Christenson motioned to approve the First reading of Policy AAC- Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy, AACA-AR Section 504 Evaluation Standards and Procedures, AC-E2 Discrimination

and/or Harassment Complaint Confidentiality Assessment, FDE- Education of Special Education Students/Students with Disabilities Under the IDEA, Emanuelson seconded, and approved by all.  
Hermanson motioned to approve \$50 Drayton Bucks for employees, seconded by Christenson, and approved by all.  
Hermanson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45AM, seconded by Emanuelson, and approved by all.

School Board Business Manager  
1878 GROCERY COMPANY \$40.79; AFLAC \$1,657.49; B&S CONSTRUCTION \$1,959.00; BOWEN PEST CONTROL \$125.00; CASH-WA DISTRIBUTING CO OF \$3,505.03; CENGAGE LEARNING \$39.60; CITY OF DRAYTON \$1,071.26; CREATIVETIME SOLUTIONS \$70.00; DACOTAH PAPER CO FARGO ND \$945.46; DAHLSTROM MOTORS, INC. \$471.79; DAKOTA NATURAL GAS \$1,727.14; DAKOTA PRAIRIE/TOLNA \$21.00; DISCOVERY BENEFITS, INC \$223.70; ELEVATE PHYSICAL THERAPY AND \$170.00; EWING OIL \$1,264.22; GIANNONATTI, KATHERINE \$51.31; HALCROW'S INC \$257.82; HELM ENTERPRISES \$3,339.90; HORACEMANN \$453.30; HOYLES, DARLA \$1,012.73; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$35,963.05, JOSTENS \$1,734.25; JPMORGAN \$2,432.95; KEMPS LLC \$547.65; KODABANK \$25.00, M & K PORTA POTTIES \$290.00; MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC. \$1,385.38; MARCO TECHNOLOGIES, LLC. NW \$102.50; MICKMAN BROS \$312.64; MINN DEPT OF REVENUE \$272.47; ND HORIZONS \$35.00; ND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT \$4,262.05; NDCEL \$275.00; NDSBA \$225.00; NORTH DAKOTA ATTORNEY GENERAL \$40.00; NORTH DAKOTA UNITED \$2,350.80; NORTH VALLEY CAREER-TECH \$27,134.94; NORTHDAL OIL, CO. \$859.19; OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY \$4,015.72; POLAR COMMUNICATIONS \$413.77; POPP BINDING & LAMINATING INC. \$178.16; QUIMBY, SHELLY \$195.08; ROCK'S ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION \$409.25; US FOODSERVICE INC \$5,699.91

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County 4-H names Clothing  
Revue winners

learning new skills while becoming consumer savvy. Twenty-seven new outfits from pants & shirts and accessories, to dresses, shoes and jewelry were pulled together and purchased as part of the Thrifty Threads Challenge at the Cavalier Thrift Store. Second-hand shopping has become more popular over the last decade. The youth learned that thrifting can be cool and challenging. It's good for the environment, supports the community and saves money when creating their own personal look. The kids unleashed their creativity with a set budget of \$8 and found one-of-a-kind clothing items that reflected their own personal style.

**Sew & Show Cloverbuds:** Kiara Norrell, Leif Olmstead

**Sew & Show, Juniors:** Grand Champion – Pyper Shane; Reserve Champion – Ruby Morrison; Honorable Mention – Adlee Hay; Blue – Brinxlee Hay, Stella Norrell, Ava Morrison; Red – Olive Truver

**Decorate Your Duds, Cloverbuds:** Leif Olmstead, Ramsey Heck, Kiara Norrell, Ben Olmstead

**Decorate Your Duds, Juniors:** Grand Champion – Lainy Shane; Reserve Champion – Stella Norrell; Honorable Mention – Charlie Heck, Mallory Latozke, Adlee Hay; Blue – Olive Truver, Levi Norrell, Ava Morrison, Brinxlee Hay, Chloe Hunter, Sadie Kennedy, Ruby Morrison, Oscar Hunter, Elena Stegman, Silas Norrell

**Decorate Your Duds, Seniors:** Grand Champion – Malory Kemp; Reserve Champion – Caroline Stegman; Honorable Mention – Naomi Stegman

**Buy & Show, Cloverbuds:** Brooklyn Bailey, Aubree Johnson, Adam Morrison, Kiara Norrell, Ben Olmstead, Leif Olmstead

**Buy and Show, Juniors:** Grand Champion – Oscar Hunter; Reserve Champion – Olive Truver; Honorable Mention – Chloe Hunter; Blue – Elena Stegman, Sadie Kennedy, Ava Morrison, Sadie Halverson, Lainy Shane, Ruby Morrison, Stella Norrell, Pyper Shane, Nathan Stegman, Charlie Heck, Caleb Bailey, Silas Norrell; Red – Levi Norrell

**Buy and Show, Seniors:** Red – Naomi Stegman, Chaz Halverson

Judges for the event were Emily Kemp, Hamilton; Melissa Gagner, Cavalier; Rachel Klose, Hoople; Malory Kemp, Cavalier; and Maddy Steele, Hensel. The Fashion Show was emceed by Christine O'Toole, Crystal and Alisha Schultz, Neche. The host club for the event was the Cart Creek Clovers 4-H club.

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Dakota to offer state employees  
early retirement in face of  
declining revenues

"I do not expect that to be the case," Morrisette said.

The state also has a rainy day fund known as the Budget Stabilization Fund. That has a balance of about \$938 million, Morrisette said.

Nick Archuleta, president of North Dakota United, which represents state employees, said the state should be cautious given the tight labor market that has meant some positions have gone unfilled.

"We already have fewer public employees doing more work than ever," Archuleta said.

State agency budget proposals are due July 15, though extensions are sometimes granted if there are questions about federal funding or other revenue streams.

Morrisette said there is no set goal for budget savings yet.

Monitor Editor Amy Dalrymple contributed to this report.

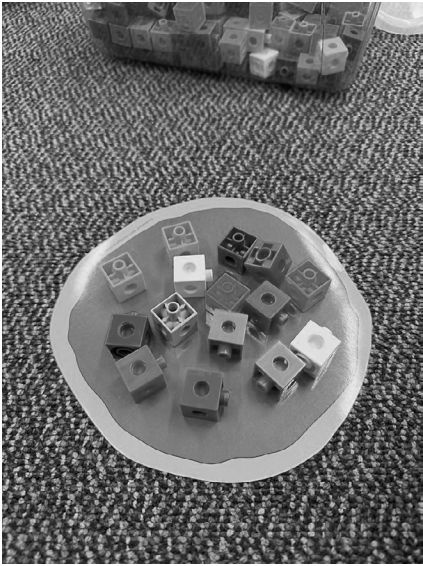


Cont'd. From Page 1 - Drayton PreK celebrates learning through play

build social-emotional skills, language, problem-solving abilities and independence that support the whole child and set the stage for future success.



More information about Global School Play Day can be found at <https://globalschoolplayday.com>



Cont'd. From Page 2 - Walsh County Commissioners continue to debate jail project

Commissioner Kristi Britnell said many of the questions being brought up now by Suda and Houdek have been covered over the years of planning with several consultants, many of those discussions coming before Suda and Houdek were elected.

Britnell said now is the time for the Commission to stop fighting and to work together.

"Now we all need to get on the same team here and work together and do the best we can to move this forward. Why are we fighting this, still?"

Houdek answered with this statement. "Because this project wasn't voted on. A 46 million dollar project was voted on," he said.

Commissioner Godfread appoints  
Matt Clark as North Dakota State Fire  
Marshal



Matt Clark, North Dakota State Fire Marshal

Insurance Commissioner Jon Godfread has appointed Matt Clark as North Dakota's State Fire Marshal, bringing a seasoned fire service leader and public administrator into the role responsible for fire prevention, investigation, and life safety across the state.

Clark most recently served as Fire Chief of the Williston Fire Department for nearly five years. He has been part of the Williston Fire Department since 2015 and has deep experience in operational leadership, public safety, and collaboration with state and local partners.

"Matt Clark brings 21-years of fire service experience to this role and has been a trusted leader in critical legislative discussions affecting fire and public safety," Commissioner Godfread said. "He understands the mission, the people, and the partnerships it takes to strengthen our fire service and protect North Dakota Communities."

Clark's career is defined by strategic vision, civic engagement, and the ability to deliver transformative

Houdek pointed out that it was on the vote of only three of the five commissioners to move ahead.

"Three commissioners made the decision, that's a fact," he said. "I'm not disputing the fact that what you did was legal. What I'm suggesting is that you made the decision to move forward. Yes, you have the right, it doesn't mean it was the right thing to do."

After voting 3-2 to transfer funds from the General Fund to the Capitol improvement fund, it was agreed that further discussion on the jail project would take place at the next commission meeting in two weeks.

projects with long-term benefits. He brings more than 20 years of progressively responsible experience in leadership development, higher education, and government operations. His professional background includes developing and executing multimillion-dollar budgets, coordinating with city councils and legislative bodies, and managing complex interdepartmental initiatives.

He has been recognized for accreditation success, implementation of continuous improvement initiatives, building public-private partnerships, and advancing policies that strengthen organizational effectiveness and public safety outcomes.

Clark holds a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership from Liberty University, a Master of Business Administration from Columbia Southern University, and a Master of Public Administration from American Military University. His extensive professional credentials include Certified Public Manager, Executive Fire Officer through the National Fire Academy, Chief Fire Officer through the Center for Public Safety Excellence, Senior Professional in Human Resources, and Nationally Registered Paramedic, among numerous fire service and emergency management certifications.

As State Fire Marshal, Clark will oversee fire code enforcement, inspections, investigations, and public education efforts, while working closely with local fire departments, state agencies, and elected officials to enhance fire safety and community resilience throughout North Dakota.

Catfish Capital Guns & Ammo to hold Class 2 concealed weapon class

By Valley News and Views Staff

Catfish Capital Guns & Ammo will hold a Class 2 concealed weapons class on Feb. 21 at 8:00 a.m. at the Drayton Ambulance shed located. Registration will be at 7:00 a.m. Interested participants are asked to reach out and RSVP. For more information, please contact Catfish Capital Guns & Ammo on Facebook or call 701-331-2885.

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ner explained that the organization typically brings a base donation and increases it depending on the outcome of the challenge.

"We're coming with a donation no matter what," he said. "The shot just gives the opportunity to enhance it — to double, triple, or even quadruple the amount."

The effort is a partnership between Nodak Insurance and the Pembina County and Cavalier County Farm

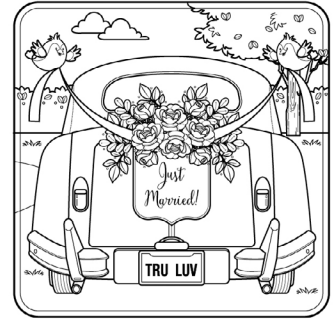
Bureau boards, which help support the promotion and its giveaways. Together, they have brought the event to several area schools, turning a simple donation into a crowd-engaging tradition.

Gagner said the goal remains simple: support local students, have fun, and stay involved in the communities they serve.

"It's a fun way to give back," he said.



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Double Word Puzzle

Unscramble the individual words to reveal letters for the phrase.

TLAAR    3    1  
LVIE    2    7  
PTYAR    4    5  
TACRE    6

1    H    2    H    3    4    5    6    O    7    2

Answers: Altar, Veil, Party, Cater, The Happy Couple

Money  
FACT!

The average cost of this event is between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

Answer: A wedding

How they say that in...

English: Vow  
Spanish: Juramento  
Italian: Promessa  
French: Serment  
German: Schwur

Did You Know?

Early brides carried bouquets made of herbs, designed to help ward off evil spirits on their special days.

