



People gathered from 11 to 1:30 for the special FFA Alumni Knoephla, sausage, and sauerkraut fundraising meal at the McClusky City Community Center on Sunday.



A number of FFA-made items were in the line of silent auction offers for the highest bidder.

Meeting Notices and Minutes

Notices

The meeting notice requirements apply to all meetings of the governing body of a public entity, including any committee or subcommittee meetings.

Prior written notice is required for all meetings of a public entity. The notice must include the date, time and location of the meeting and the agenda topics expected to be discussed, along with notice of any executive sessions expected to be held. It is not necessary to have a speakerphone or monitor available in a physical location if a meeting is held solely electronically. Instead, all information necessary to join the meeting must be included in the notice.

Under the general open meetings law, there is no minimum advance notice period for public meetings.

Instead, at the same time the members of the governing body are notified of the meeting, the meeting notice must be:

Posted at the entity's main location, and at the location of the meeting (if it is not held at the entity's main location); and

Posted on the entity's official website OR filed at the appropriate central location; and

The central location is the Secretary of State's office (state agencies), or the City Auditor (city level entities), or the County Auditor (all other entities); and

Given to anyone who has requested it.

For emergency or special meetings, the entity also must send a copy of the meeting notice to the official newspaper.

Generally, there is no requirement that a meeting notice be published.

Regular meeting agendas may be altered at the meeting. For special or emergency meetings, however, only the specific topics included in the

notice may be discussed.

Minutes

Minutes must include, at a minimum:

The names of the members attending the meeting;

The date and time the meeting was called to order and adjourned;

A list of topics discussed regarding public business;

A description of each motion made at the meeting and whether the motion was seconded;

The results of every vote taken at the meeting; and

The vote of each member on every recorded roll call vote.

This requirement applies to all governing bodies, including committees and subcommittees. Draft minutes are public records and should be made available to anyone who requests them, even if the minutes have not been approved.

Find more detailed information in the Open Meetings Guide

Does Lutheran Social Services get special payments for recruiting or bringing Somali immigrants into North Dakota and Minnesota?

ND NEWS COOPERATIVE

No.

Lutheran Social Services does not receive special or additional payments for Somali immigrants.

Like other nonprofit resettlement agencies, Lutheran Social Services participates in the federal U.S. Refugee Admissions Program and receives a standard, one-time grant of about \$2,000 for each refugee it helps resettle, regardless of nationality or country of origin.

Refugees are selected and vetted overseas by the federal government through a separate screening process. Resettlement agencies do not re-

cruit refugees, do not choose refugees based on nationality, and are not paid to bring specific groups into particular states.

Federal funds are used to support initial resettlement services after refugees arrive in the United States. These services include help with housing, basic necessities, case management, and employment support during the first months of resettlement. The funding is not paid directly to refugees and is not profit for the agency.

In addition to Somali refugees, the program has resettled refugees from Europe as well as Asia and Latin Amer-

ica.

This fact brief is in response to online conversations such as this one.

Sources:

U.S. Department of State: Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration Fact Sheet

U.S. Department of State/Refugee Council USA: Resettlement Committee explanation

Congress.gov: U.S. Refugee Admissions Program



**Get you
Help
Wanted
in
today!**

St. Jude Novena

To St. Jude, Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in Miracles, near kinsman and Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need.

To you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to who God had given such great power to come to my assistance.

Help me in my present and urgent petition. In treturn I promise to make known your name and cause you to be involved. St. Jude, Pray for us and all who invoke your aid.

Amen

Say three (3) Our Fathers, three (3) Hail Mary's and Glory Be.

Publication must be promised. My request has been granted.

Say this Novena on nine (9) consecutive days.

2026 SCHOLARSHIPS

Available to high school seniors and college students with WRT services or whose parents are WRT members

\$2,000 WRT DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP

(1 per each of the seven WRT Districts)

\$2,000 WRT EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP

(student dependents of WRT employee/director)

\$3,000 WRT TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

(students entering technology-related field)

APPLY NOW!

westriv.com/careers

Application deadline: February 27, 2026



**Advertise
today!**