

**LANGDON AREA SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

December 2, 2025

Present: Dave Hart, Tiffany Hetletved, Dawn Kruk, Daren Bachman, Abby Borchardt, Kyle Rollness (by phone), Justin Cheatley (by phone), Daren Christianson (Supt.), and Shauna Schneider (Bus. Mgr.)

Visitors: Jenny Romfo

Chairman Dave Hart called the December 2, 2025, Special Board meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all attendees. Chairman Dave Hart welcomed the visitors attending the meeting.

Dave Hart asked for a motion to approve the LAEA Petition for Recognition of Representative Organization

as presented. Tiffany Hetletved made a motion that the Langdon Area School Board has investigated the petition filed by the Langdon Area Education Association requesting that the association be recognized as the representative organization for the negotiating unit and has determined that the Education Association does represent a majority of the teachers within that unit. The Board recognizes the Langdon Area Education Association as the representative organization for a minimum of one year beginning December 2, 2025. Abby Borchardt seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimously carried.

Dawn Kruk made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Daren Bachman seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Board President  
Business Manager

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November 17, 2025 | Langdon Area School Board Meeting Room

Present: Dave Hart, Dawn Kruk, Tiffany Hetletved, Daren Bachman, Abby Borchardt, Justin Cheatley, Kyle Rollness, Jacy Bata (Elem. Principal), Ethen Askvig (MS/HS Principal), Daren Christianson (Supt.), and Shauna Schneider (Bus. Mgr.)

Visitors: Mindi Lill, Danielle Hansel, Tina Olson, Kari Henderson, Jenny Romfo and Hilary Nowatzki

Chairman Dave Hart called the November 17, 2025, Board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all attendees. Dave Hart welcomed visitors and read public comment note inviting anyone to come forward that would like to address the Board. Tina Olson representing the LAEA addressed the Board regarding the school calendar.

Communications: A thank you was received from Langdon Area School District Foundation.

Chairman Dave Hart asked for approval of the consent agenda with the additional bills. Tiffany Hetletved made a motion to approve the consent agenda that included October 20, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Bills, Business Manager Report, Pledge of Securities, Building Committee &amp; Budget &amp; Finance Committee Minutes, IT/Tech Coordinator Fall Conference Report. Abby Borchardt seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.

## Administrators' Reports:

Daren Christianson's report was reviewed by the Board. Topics of discussion include Replacement Door Handles and Exterior Doors, Post Season Sports, Drama, Board Survey, Weather and Virtual School. He added that he applied for the Wohletz grant to help set up the English Learner Program. Daren Christianson had originally applied for the Bergum grant for these expenses and was denied.

Ethen Askvig's report was reviewed by the Board. Topics of discussion included Cardinal Time, Infinite Campus, Alive at 25, ELL Services, and Drama. Athletic Director update was reviewed by the Board with Class Enrollment Number Cutoff Requirements with NDHSAA, Congratulations to the FB, VB and Cheer Teams, and

the Start of Basketball Practices as topics. He added that the NDHSAA class enrollment numbers will impact volleyball and basketball. Our enrollment numbers for grades 9-12 including the Co-op schools will move us up a class level in 2027-2028. Jacy Bata's report was reviewed by the Board. Topics of discussion included Celebrations & Highlights, Academic Updates, Staff & Professional Learning, and Enrollment Update.

Old Business: The online Community Survey is available to the public and will end December 8, 2025, with the results to be reviewed at the December Board meeting.

New Business: Dave Hart reviewed the Budget and Finance Committee meeting with the Board. Grad Party donation request was discussed. Daren Bachman made a motion to donate \$1,000 to the Grad Party Committee. Dawn Kruk seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously carried. Dave Hart asked for policies to be rescinded. Dawn Kruk made a motion to rescind Langdon Area School District #23 policies BCAA - Board Meeting Agenda and Pre-Meeting Preparation, BCBA - Public Participation at Board Meetings, ABDA - Website Accessibility for People with Disabilities, ABDA-BR1 - Website Accessibility Complaints, FDD - Education of Pregnant and Parenting Students, FF - Student Conduct and Discipline, FFA - Student Alcohol and Other Drug Use/Abuse, GABAA - Services for English Learners, and GABDB - Federal Title Programs Dispute Resolution Procedure. Tiffany Hetletved seconded the motion. Roll call vote unanimously carried. Dave Hart asked for approval of second reading and adoption of Board policies. Abby Borchardt made a motion to approve the second reading and adopt Langdon Area School District #23 Policies BCAA - Board Meeting Agenda and Pre-Meeting Preparation, BCBA - Public Participation at Board Meetings, ABDA - Website Accessibility for People with Disabilities, ABDA-BR1 - Website Accessibility Complaints, FDD - Education of Pregnant

and Parenting Students, FF - Student Conduct and Discipline, FFA - Student Alcohol and Other Drug Use/Abuse, GABAA - Services for English Learners, and GABDB - Federal Title Programs Dispute Resolution Procedure to become the official policies of the Langdon Area School District #23. Tiffany Hetletved seconded the motion. Roll call vote unanimously carried. Daren Christianson asked that the school calendar be tabled until the December Board meeting. The Board reviewed a tuition agreement for approval. Justin Cheatley made a motion to approve the tuition agreement as presented. Tiffany Hetletved seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried. The Board reviewed the Petition for Recognition of Appropriate Negotiating Unit presented by LAEA. Dawn Kruk made a motion pursuant to NDCC Section 15.1-16-10, that the Board of Langdon Area School District recognizes as the appropriate negotiating unit all employees licensed to teach by the ESPB or approved to teach by the ESPB and employed primarily as classroom teachers. Abby Borchardt seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously carried. The Langdon Area Education Association presented a petition for recognition of representative organization with signatures of licensed teachers in the District to be investigated and approved by the Board within the NDCC requirements. Dave Hart requested a motion to go into executive session under NDCC 44-04-19.1 for teacher negotiations strategy. Tiffany Hetletved made a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Kyle Rollness seconded the motion. Roll call vote unanimously carried. The public was asked to leave. The executive session was attended by the full Board, Daren Christianson and Shauna Schneider beginning at 5:49 p.m. and approximately ending at 6:10 p.m. The Board resumed the open meeting at 6:08 p.m.

The next Board meeting was discussed. Tiffany Hetletved made a motion to hold the next Board meeting on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Dawn Kruk seconded the motion. Motion unanimously carried. The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Dawn Kruk made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Daren Bachman seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

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Business Manager

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**IN DISTRICT COURT,  
COUNTY OF CAVALIER,  
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
NORTHEAST JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
Case No. 10-2026-CV-00007  
SUMMONS  
AND  
NOTICE OF  
NO PERSONAL  
ACTION**

Isaac E. Stegman and Sarah F. Stegman, Plaintiffs,

vs.

Partnership Liquidity Investors V, LLC; United States of America, acting through the Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency; and all other persons interested, either as heirs, creditors, or otherwise, in the estates of the above-mentioned persons or entities; and all other persons unknown, claiming any interest in, or encumbrance upon, the property described in the Complaint,

Defendants.

**THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO THE  
ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS:**

[¶1] You, and each of you, are hereby summoned to answer the Complaint in this action which is filed with and in the Office of the Clerk of the District Court of Cavalier County, North Dakota, and to serve a copy of your Answer upon the subscribers within twenty-one (21) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2025.

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Attorney for the Plaintiffs

**NOTICE OF NO PERSONAL ACTION**  
[¶2] NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the above-entitled action relates to the following described real estate situated in the County of Cavalier, State of North Dakota, to-wit:

Part of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter (S½SW¼) of Section Sixteen

(16), Township One Hundred Sixty-Three North (163N), Range Fifteen

(59W), of the 5th Principal Meridian, Cavalier County, North Dakota, described

as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of the SW¼ of said Section 16, thence South 89° 41' 26" East, along the section line, a distance of 2,510.00 feet;

thence North 01° 00' 00" West for a distance of 328.00 feet; thence North 89° 14' 40" West for a distance of 511.51 feet; thence North 32° 38' 18" West for a distance of 482.28 feet; thence North 89° 31' 49" West for a distance of 637.13

feet; thence North 84° 11' 03" West for a distance of 827.49 feet; thence North

60° 03' 38" West for a distance of 317.89 feet, more or less to the section line; thence South 00° 11' 05" East, along the section line, for a distance of 975.00 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning. Said tract of land containing 38.21 acres, more or less.

[¶3] And the object of the action is to quiet title to said premises and no personal claim is made against the above-named defendants or any of them.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2025.

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(Jan. 23, Jan. 30, Feb. 6, 2026)

**Notice to Creditors**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CAVALIER COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Jean Westphal, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to the Personal Representative of the estate: Floyd Schneider, 2170 Tamarack Drive, Long Lake, MN 55356, or filed with the Court.

Dated this 15th date of January, 2026.

Floyd Schneider  
2170 Tamarack Drive  
Long Lake, MN 55356Quentin B. Wenzel  
908 Third Street  
Langdon, ND 58249  
Attorney for Personal Representative

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**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CAVALIER COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of Edward J. Stremick, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Wayne Stremick, personal representative of the estate, at Edward J. Stremick, or filed with the Court.

Dated this the 12th day of January, 2026.

Wayne Stremick  
Personal Representative  
PO Box 369, Annadale, MN 55302  
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Angelo S. Mondragon  
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Langdon, ND 58249-0151

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on February 3, 2026, at the hour of 8:45 a.m. in the Cavalier County Courthouse Commission Room, the Cavalier County Commission will hold a public hearing on the Floodplain Manager's Resolution for the Adoption of an amended Floodplain Management Ordinance, as required by SB 2027. The proposed amended Floodplain Management Ordinance is available for review at the Cavalier County Emergency Manager's office - 901 3rd Street, Langdon, ND.

Dated this 8th day of January, 2026.

CAVALIER COUNTY COMMISSION  
Lisa Gellner - Auditor

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JANUARY 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Districts 17, 18, 19, 20, 42 & 43

Registration begins at 11:30 AM • Event Starts at Noon

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