



# The Boys' Daily



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## Executive Insight

### *Elections Have Come and Gone*

### By Dorian Crawford

There's a new sheriff in town, citizens. Well, replace sheriff with the governor, lieutenant governor, and attorney general and town with Boys State offices – a close enough metaphor, really. Regardless, Trent McMiller (**Nimitz**), Ryan Kim (**Madison**), and Jesse Barnes (**Bradley**) were elected, and The Boys' Daily beat out its rival newspapers <sup>citation needed</sup> to secure an exclusive interview with McMiller and Kim. Both officials have been burning the midnight oil throughout the entire week, consulting their fellow candidates and peers from various cities in speech writing, campaign tactics, and policy making. Governor McMiller barely had time to sit down and eat, and throughout long hours has drafted seven different speeches! Due to this diligence and teamwork, the cabinet created four bills in only 90 minutes. For reference, it took the legislature two hours to write one bill, albeit their committees were far smaller.

One notable bill His Excellency and his right-hand discussed was a proposed raise on cigarette tax in order to fund social workers in schools. The bill originally came from constituents, illustrating the administration's willingness to unite the state into one vision. Despite major progress being achieved, the cabinet still decided to convene later that evening to cement their policies. Lieutenant Governor Kim addressed the reasoning behind this grueling work, saying, "We're getting there, and it's the fact that we made progress and we were able to start working on our mission that was promised in our campaign." Any problem that was run into was solved via debates and the diverse viewpoints of the various secretaries. For example, the impact on the common man and associated opinions were heavily thought through. Gov. McMiller explained that these discussions were due to the imperative need to make a timely decision that fully considers the bill rather than a quick decision that is shallow in its investigation.

Gov. McMiller and Lt. Gov. Kim have both overcome skepticism and opposition within Boys State. During the party conventions, Gov. McMiller's city was disrespected and booed at the beginning. However, through powerful words and speeches, not only did he raise his city's

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reputation, but forged a new relationship with Marshall. Lt. Gov. Kim addressed any skeptics through his sermon on Monday and his personable method of campaigning. Research in business fields has shown that this direct, one-on-one style of marketing is incredibly influential – clearly shown in the elections. Additionally, the teams both have assembled helped propel the two officials to the greatness shown today. After all, Gov. McMiller’s motto is “One Nation, One Virginia, One Boys State. Together.”

Boys State, while coming to its conclusion, is still hard at work. After all, the cabinet was just formed, and the legislature needs to meet on the new bills. McMiller’s advice is the same as Monday’s interview: have a team, and support each other. As for Kim’s, ask yourself if you’re serving yourself or your constituents, and how you can improve your servant leadership. Watch for the report on bills passed into law on Saturday.

## Marshall Mayhem

### *Marshall City is a Space for Chaos*

**By Austin Hodge**

The city of Marshall has recently passed a series of interesting laws that some have described as “disturbing” and “assault.” An anonymous source sent a copy of the new law code to the newspaper, and we think you should decide for yourself if these laws are right. The first law is that David Heath must be at all times referred to as “god-king” in any verbal or written communication. If this rule is broken by a Marshall resident, they are subjected to 15 push-ups, 15 squats, or 30 girl push-ups if the resident is incapable of regular ones. When a person has to take a “tinkle” they are required to only flick twice. If a Marshall citizen flicks more than twice, they must take a 10-minute smoke section with Marshall's CIC. If someone “loses chill” after 12:15 AM, they lose all flick privileges.

It should be noted that these laws seem unenforceable, but the law code's name, “mandatory genital inspection”, may provide insight as to how these laws will be enforced. Every citizen of Marshall must take, at the least, one shower per day. The chaplain will judge if a person has been adequately groomed or if they are a “stinky boy.” If the citizen has been deemed unworthy, he must be sponge bathed by the chaplain. An anonymous source stated that the sponge baths will not be done “in the good way.” If the chaplain is deemed unworthy, he must be sponge bathed by the mayor himself. It is unknown how they plan to do a sponge bath, as there are no baths in the campus dorm rooms.

This new law code seems to be the first major use of local ordinances to establish any odd laws for the cities. Despite their unenforceability, these laws may set the precedence for more to follow.

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# Peculiar Policies

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By Dorian Crawford

Some say, “rightfully so,” that Orwellian concepts are a bad thing. I un-humbly disagree – the word ‘well’ is Orwellian, so why would it be bad? It’d insinuate that we clearly need more of these wonderful and enlightening ideas – Morwellian concepts even. A great place to start would be Boys State, a microcosm of America’s future. For starters, I think we should separate the two parties into a general section and an Inner Party. This Inner Party will be the one to decide on specific planks and rhetoric. Additionally, sheriffs and mayors should have increased enforcement powers. This would grant them the ability to arrest anyone who strays from party platforms or insults the wonderful and flawless cities. Branching off of this concept, bonus points would be awarded to any city that heavily decorates its dorms with banners that promote specific candidates. Boys State should also axe the sections where delegates cheer for the best city. Instead, a slideshow will replace it; if a screen is unavailable shouting descriptions of the images works equally well. This slideshow would be centered around ~~nationalists~~ ~~federalists~~ third parties, and counselors spur the crowd to shout and curse – in a non-profane way, no swears or magic – for 150.5 seconds. It’ll be dubbed the “Two and a Half and a Half Minutes Hate.”

Additionally, I propose we change any and all television screens or well-seen monitors to display various slogans related to Boys State. Phrases such as “Director Cox is watching you”, “your party needs you”, and “always remember social credit.” This brings me to the next ideal: the implementation of a social credit score for each delegate. Naturally, a better score would lead to more incentives like being able to skip the lunch line, being able to cheer for the best city, ask questions during lectures, and miscellaneous other bonuses. It can even be averaged together per city in order to determine what the best city is. The concept’s already seen success in the real world, just ask China. They won’t tell you any problems whatsoever.

Since at least one editor is getting increasingly paranoid as I type out this support for Orwellian concepts, I’ll leave this one final point: Boys State should add a 17th bullet in the rules and regulations that states “all cities are equal, but some are more equal than others.” Quite frankly, all of these beneficial policies will help promote democracy and critical thinking, leading to a week of freer discussion and improved party conventions – all thanks to these ideas from Orwell, a writer of totalitarianism’s various flavors.



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Catawba College  
Bowling Green State University  
Christopher Newport University  
Chowan University  
College of Charleston  
Bridgewater College

Row 2

Albright College  
Belmont Abbey College  
Bluefield College  
Concord University  
Cornerstone College of Virginia  
Davis & Elkins College  
East Carolina University  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Row 3

Bryant University  
University of Tennessee  
Emory & Henry College  
Fairmont State University  
Franklin & Marshall College  
George Mason University  
Liberty University

Row 4

University of Alabama  
West Virginia University  
University of Mississippi (Ole Miss)  
Hampden-Sydney College  
Hood College  
James Madison University  
Glennville State College

Row 5

Marshall University  
North Carolina State University  
Old Dominion University  
Randolph College  
Randolph Macon College  
Regent University  
Roanoke College

Row 6

Stevenson University  
The Citadel, of South Carolina  
University of Lynchburg  
University of Richmond  
University of Rochester  
Shenandoah University  
University of South Carolina

Row 7

University of Virginia  
Virginia Commonwealth University  
Virginia Military Institute  
Virginia Wesleyan University  
Washington & Jefferson College  
Virginia Tech

Row 8

Virginia State Police  
Virginia Tech Army ROTC (VT Corps of Cadets)  
U.S. Military Academy at West Point  
U.S. Naval Academy  
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy  
U.S. Coast Guard Academy

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# Daily Recap

## Day Five is Over and the End is in Sight

**By Owen Hogge**

Today was a big day for the Boys State of Virginia, as our Governor, Lt. Governor, and Attorney General were elected. Leading up to the main event of today in our state was the normal morning routine. Everyone got breakfast, attended the flag ceremony, and then headed to the religious service. After these events, everyone met in Preston to hear from the nominees for Governor, Lt. Governor, and Attorney General of both Nationalists and Federalists, and even one speech from an independent party, making it the first time in Boys State History where an independent candidate was given a chance to speak. This candidate was Mr. Maxwell running for Lt. Governor. Everyone then was given a chance to vote for the candidate of their choosing for each position of office.

The results of the election were Trenton McMiller for Governor, Ryan Kim for Lt. Governor, and Jesse Barns for Attorney General. After the results of the election were the inauguration review. Then the state broke for lunch in Muse Dining Hall. Once lunch was over, cities joined back in Preston for the 79th American Legion Boys State of Virginia Inauguration. During this event, the newly elected Governor gave his inauguration speech and chose his “Governor’s Cabinet.” The Governor’s Cabinet then had its first meeting and the rest of the state got involved in their afternoon activities.

A Moot Court meeting was held after afternoon activities came to a conclusion and those not involved with Moot Court went to dinner in the Muse Dining Hall. After dinner Boys Nation Interviews were conducted for those trying out for it, then citizens joined in the flag lowering ceremony. Gretchen Dee then gave a short word about community service in the Radford community at Preston. A word from Robin Riddle about the oratorical winner was planned after this but was unfortunately canceled as Robin Riddle could not attend. Because of this cancellation, the talent show started early and Boys State citizens were given the chance to show their many different skills and abilities.

The day ended like every other so far with cities having their respective meetings, this one is specifically about city business. That was the daily recap for Thursday, June 23, 2022, at Virginia Boys State. Happy Friday.



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# The Great Bacon Incident

## *Jefferson Building Catches Fire*

**By Austin Hodge**

Early yesterday morning, residents of Radford's Jefferson dorm room were rushed outside, some barely dressed, to the tune of a slightly cheery fire alarm. Several residents of the building were interrupted during their morning shower and had to quickly dress before hurrying outside. The fire was allegedly caused by several summer school residents on the fourth floor of the Jefferson building. The students were cooking bacon and seemed to have gotten distracted, and after a bit of time, the bacon began to smoke.

The summer school residents were seen walking calmly away as State Trooper Perkins ran in and began grabbing Boys State citizens to save them from the raging fire. If not for trooper Perkins's sheer bravery, many boys state citizens could have been gravely injured. As trooper Perkins exited the building, he was met by a large group of civilians who began to chant his name and then picked trooper Perkins up to carry him upon their shoulders to celebrate his bravery.

Trooper Perkins's extreme bravery and compassion show that he should become the national trooper of the year for his dedication to his work.



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# Nimitz Kills the Competition in the Volleyball Championship

By Leo Miracle

The squeak of shoes on the gym floor, the smacking of the ball hitting the ground, and call-outs like “I got it” or “up up” are some of the sounds you can hear in the average volleyball game. During activity time Boys State offers four sports, volleyball, basketball, frisbee golf, and flag football.

While volleyball is only 3rd in popularity it has still drawn traction from citizens. Played in the recreation center, volleyball is like other sports where teams are made up of players in the same city. At the end of two days, the teams had been shaved down to the final two, Nimitz and Henry. After a good game, the final score came out with Nimitz on top, winning the tournament.



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# Basketball Tournament Runner-up Heckles After Loss

By Quentin Mankin

Although the basketball tournament has already been concluded the defeated city has not yet accepted its loss in the final match. From the time that the final basket was scored by James City to secure the title, Burke City has struggled to admit that they were beaten by a superior team. Members of Burke City's team have been recorded



saying that James City took the game too seriously and they cheated. However, the story does not end there. Burke City has been caught heckling James City multiple times throughout the day on Thursday. A citizen of James City who wished to remain anonymous stated, "Their sorry basketball team could not handle the loss and they are taking out their frustrations on us." During the afternoon recreational period on Thursday, some members of the James City were found playing pickup football near Burke City's dormitory facility. Burke City citizens gathered around a window near the field and proceeded to yell insults and joke about the Boy Staters that were participating in the football game. A bystander of the game admitted that the Burke City hecklers were rather good at heckling and the jokes were quite funny. However when the James City team offered a rematch of the championship game on the basketball court as well as an opportunity to play a recreational football match both offerings were declined and the heckling continued. The James City basketball team will continue to create publicity and leave behind a legacy of being the best sports team during the 79th session of Virginia Boys State.

All of the sports have completed the tournaments for the week and now the sports are open to anyone for recreational usage. The citizens were also given an extra hour of activity time this afternoon because the time slot for the gubernatorial inauguration was over allotted. Unfortunately, Thursday marked the last athletic period for the 79th session of Virginia Boys State but the citizens still have two days remaining on the Radford University Campus.



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# Word Search

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# In the Cockpit with James Lyuke

