

TEXAS 4-H CONGRESS

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Daily Dad Joke

Why couldn't the horse congress get anything done?

They vote "neigh" on everything

Opening Session

At the opening session this Sunday, Our Chief Justice, William Adkison swore in our new Governor, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Our Governor who will be residing is Dylan Wunderlich, along with Cooper Mau as Speaker of the House and Riley Wallis as the Lieutenant Governor. Following the induction, delegates were taken into groups to participate in workshops led by the leadership team.

THE BIG THREE



GOVERNOR'S RECEPTION

Governor Dylan Wunderlich addressed invited members of the House, Senate, and several lobbyists at the Governor's Reception as he prepared for the first day of the legislative sessions. During his remarks, Governor Wunderlich touched on several "hot topic" bills, emphasizing his stance on the contentious issue of school vouchers.

"The idea of vouchers for school choice will prove to be a highly controversial topic, and one I am strongly against. The pure fact of the matter is if teacher pay is of the utmost importance in the state of Texas, then this bill will not only depreciate teacher pay and the progress we have made for the past few years but also harm students," Governor Wunderlich said. He assured attendees that he has the support needed to prevent this bill from passing.

Governor Wunderlich also made it clear that he will veto any bills related to lowering the driving age, increasing excused absences, and any other bills on school vouchers if they reach his desk.

Additionally, Governor Wunderlich expressed interest in monitoring several bills throughout this session, including HB 143/SB 443, HB 141/SB 441, and HB 327/SB 627. In a recent interview, he explained that he hopes to pass bills on his agenda that will strengthen the state of Texas. He mentioned that he will reveal more details about these bills during the joint session. Wunderlich's primary goal is to preserve Texas and keep it strong for future generations.

The reception saw a diverse group of attendees, including Speaker Mau, Lieutenant Governor Wallis, and members with significant influence, such as those sponsoring bills the governor committee chairs, and floor leaders wrote.

A popular topic of conversation among the crowd was the proposal to make Dr. Pepper the official state drink, with bill numbers 253/553. Many members were seen enjoying a can of the possible future state drink.



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