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## Commissioners, School Bd. Attempt To Rework Budgets

The Polk County Commissioners and the Polk County Board of Education voted during a joint meeting Friday to work towards reducing the \$450,000 gap in their respective budgets for the 1990-91 school year.

The joint mediation meeting was called to meet the seven-day deadline from the time that the county budget was officially adopted, June 18, (weekend days are not counted) provided by law in the procedure for resolution of disputes between a board of education and a board of county commissioners.

County Manager Steve Wyatt and Superintendent Dr. James Causby were to meet early Monday and work on concessions in each budget. The two boards were then to meet separately to approve or disapprove any changes made.

Should the two boards separately agree on any changes, then the issue is closed. However, if no agreement is reached, another joint meeting will be held today at 7 p.m. in the Stearns Education Building. According to law, if no agreement is reached at this last joint meeting of the two boards, then the dispute will be referred to the Polk County Clerk of Court for a decision within three days. The clerk of court has the option to not hear the case and send it to superior court.

Approximately 35 spectators  
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## Attends Institute



Matthew L. Davis, Rt. 2, Tryon, attended the Institute for Future Agricultural Leaders (IFAL) June 18 — 22 at North Carolina State University. The Institute was designed to introduce high school seniors to career opportunities in agriculture and life sciences and to develop leadership skills. It is sponsored by the Agricultural Education Program at NCSU and the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation.

Shown in the picture with Matthew are Dr. Larry Jewell, coordinator of the Agricultural Education Program and Janice Bliss, director, Special Programs, N.C. Farm Bureau. Matthew, son of William and Diane Davis, was among 50 students from 36 counties attending the institute.

## Lifeguard Training

The Physical Education Department at Isothermal Community College will conduct a Lifeguard Training class beginning Thursday, July 5th. The class is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. July 5 and 6, and the 9th through the 13th ending with a 12 noon to 4 p.m. class on Saturday, July 14th. American Red Cross certification in Standard First Aid/CPR and Lifeguard Training is available through the class. The fee for the class is \$25.

Registration for the class must be completed by Tuesday, July 3rd, in the Physical Education Department. For more information, contact Mike Croussore, 704-286-3636.

Read The Bulletin  
For Local News

The weekend weather: Friday, high 90, low 65, hum. 78 percent. Saturday, high 85, low 71, hum. 50 percent. Sunday, high 84, low 57, hum. 56 percent.

The New York Times News Service recently sent its reporters to small towns around America and found that self-government is tougher today than it used to be.

So tough, in fact, that some small towns are dissolving themselves and turning over their problems to the state.

Towns of less than 10,000 people represent 86 percent of the governments in the United States. For every small town growing rapidly, another is shrinking and losing tax base, and both scenarios create multiple problems.

The NYT report goes on to say small town problems multiplied during the Reagan administration, when the federal government shifted responsibility for many of its programs to local government.

During the same period, the federal and state governments asked local governments to meet new standards in environmental protection, waste management,  
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