

# Minnesota Senate Vote Clears Vikings For New Stadium

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — After a plan to build the Minnesota Vikings a new home cleared its final hurdle Thursday in the state Senate, the team executive who spent much of the past decade lobbying for the nearly \$1 billion stadium could hardly contain himself.

"Let's build it!" vice president Lester Bagley shouted, hugging Vikings' communications director Jeff Anderson.

In the gallery above the Senate chamber, Vikings fans broke out in a rendition of the "Skol Vikings!" fight song, earning a reprimand from the Senate secretary. But it held no sting for Bagley and others associated with the team.

The Senate vote capped an amazing comeback for the Vikings' stadium dreams, which just a few weeks ago were fizzling before a visit from NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell crystallized fears that the Vikings could leave the state without a new home.

Gov. Mark Dayton has promised to sign the bill, a \$975 million plan to build on the Metrodome site in downtown Minneapolis with just over half the cost paid with public money.

At a celebratory news conference, owner Zygi Wilf recalled when he and his brother Mark first took ownership of the team nearly seven years ago and

being asked whether they would move the team.

"We kept on fighting that this day would come, and it's here today," Wilf said.

Dayton, who served as a main cheerleader for the deal for months, publicly thanked the Wilfs for agreeing to a \$50 million bump in their share in final negotiations this week.

"Without your willingness to take that last step, we wouldn't have crossed the goal line," Dayton said.

On Thursday, the Vikings and the University of Minnesota announced they have reached preliminary agreement on

the Vikings' use of TCF Bank Stadium during construction of a new Vikings stadium. Under the agreement, the Vikings will pay the university a fixed fee of \$250,000 per game. The combined rent and expected concessions and sponsorship revenue that the Vikings would share with the university would amount to \$300,000 per game, or \$3 million per regular NFL season. The Board of Regents takes up the agreement Friday, and university President Eric Kaler could sign the letter of intent in the next few days.

The Vikings had pursued a stadium for years but gained leverage only when

its lease on the Metrodome expired this past year. The team argued that the 30-year-old Metrodome didn't generate enough revenue for it to compete. Dayton, a Democrat, argued that without a new building the state could lose its most beloved franchise.

The deal guarantees the Vikings' future in Minnesota for 49 decades.

The team would pay 43 percent of construction costs: \$477 million, which is \$50 million more than owners initially committed. But the total public expense is slightly higher: \$348 million for the state and \$150 million for the city of Minneapolis.

## Lancers

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Miguel Beltran — a NAIA-leading 25th — Gaden and Jonathan Sigado, and doubles by Chad Carman and Dane Phillips doubled the Stars' lead to 10-0. Phillips' double was his NAIA-leading 26th.

Pitching with a comfortable lead, OSU starter Blake Schwartz cruised, giving up only a first-inning infield single to Derrick Nelson through seven innings of work.

Mount Marty took advantage of some relief wildness to avoid the shutout. Four walks by Jarod Peper plated the Lancers' first run. A fielders' choice by Jason Schmidt and a Jared Miller RBI single pulled the Lancers within seven, 10-3.

Gaden's second two-run homer of the game opened the win. "It was an eye-opener for us," Bernatow said. "They're at a level above what we've seen. It's not that we're not capable of playing at that level, but it was a helpful experience."

"Hopefully we can adjust," Schwartz struck out seven in seven innings for his 10th win of the season. Allen Meyer took the loss, allowing the first 10 runs.

"It was tough for Allen," Bernatow said. "Anything that he missed over the heart of the plate went out, and some of the pitches where they hit it off the front foot, where you thought you might have gotten away with it, still went out."

McVay through three innings



A batted ball illudes a diving Jason Livermont during the Lancers' matchup with third-ranked Oklahoma City University in the Oklahoma City bracket of the NAIA Opening Round baseball tournament on Thursday at Jim Wade Stadium in Oklahoma City, Okla.

of shutout relief for the Lancers. Offensively, Gaden had three hits and four RBI, with Munoz, Carman, Beltran, Phillips, Sigado and Cody Ferrell each recording two hits.

Nelson and Miller had the only hits for MMC.

MMC will now look to refocus for an elimination game today.

"I think it will be nice. We have the luxury of getting to play one time," Bernatow said. "We get to catch our breath, see if we can come back."

Schmidt, who was part of the Lancers' run in a similar situation two years ago, feels this team can make a run as well.

"We just have to keep the in-

tensity up," he said. "We've won 13 of 16. If we keep doing what we've been doing, and not try to do too much, we'll be all right."

Earlier in the day, Jason Schmidt's ninth inning home run gave Mount Marty an 8-7 victory over York (Neb.).

Schmidt finished 3-3, also hitting a two-run home run to start the Lancers' scoring. He drove in three runs and scored three times.

Also for the Lancers, Nelson went 2-5 with two runs scored. Jared Miller had a hit and two RBI, one when he was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded in the seventh. Jason Livermont had the other MMC hit.

Pat Burford went 3-4 with a double and two RBI. Zach and Joe Garcia each doubled and singled, with Joe Garcia driving in two and Zach Garcia scoring three times. Brett Wise homered for the Panthers.

The walkoff made a winner of Cassidy Key-Darlington, who came on in the eighth in relief of Josh Engquist. Key-Darlington recorded two strikeouts among the five outs he recorded. Engquist struck out four and allowed seven runs, four earned.

Key-Darlington was ready for the relief appearance, just his second in 12 outings this season.

"I knew that winning the first game was a priority," he said. "It

was all about holding us where we were, helping us win a ball game."

Bernatow had told Key-Darlington that he would pitch in relief prior to the game.

"I thought Cassidy was the 'X' factor for us," he said. "The charts (scouting reports) said we needed to go to velocity in that situation, and he got two big K's and gout out of a couple situations with runners on."

Matt Blaemire took the loss, striking out three in 1 2/3 innings. Brett Nathan started, striking out 10 and walking five.

York scored first on a Burford double, but Schmidt's first blast gave MMC a 2-1 edge. The Pan-

thers added two runs in the third on a Burford grounder and a Joe Garcia double. In the fourth, York doubled its run total, scoring on a double-steal attempt that erased one runner and Wise's home run.

The Lancers answered in the fourth. Singles by Nelson, Schmidt and Miller started the frame, with Miller's hit plating a run. Livermont added a one-out RBI single, scoring another run when the throw to try to retire him at first plating another run.

The Panthers got a run back in the seventh. Zach Garcia started the rally with a one-out double. Singles by Burford and Joe Garcia gave York a two-run cushion, 7-5.

MMC tied the game in the bottom of the seventh. Mathias Godsil reached on a fielder's choice and Nelson scored, moving runners to second and third. After an intentional walk to Schmidt, Miller was hit by a pitch to force in a run, sending the Panthers to the bullpen for Blaemire.

Blaemire's first pitch went past the catcher, plating the tying run. His last pitch sent over the right-center field fence to end the game.

"He threw two by me, so I thought he'd come with the same thing again," Schmidt noted. "That one really surprised me. I hit it to the deepest part of the park, and I usually don't put it out there. I finally got one out there."

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Saturday, May 12th  
Open Houses

<p>10-11:15am</p>  <p><b>500 Kirby</b> <b>\$189,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ranch Style Home on 1.36 Acres</li> <li>5 Bedroom, 3 Bath Built in 2000</li> <li>Large 3- Stall Garage, New Carpet and paint</li> <li>Highway 52 to Timberland, South to Kirby</li> </ul> <p><b>Max Payne • 661-8434</b> <b>Anderson Realty, LLC</b></p>	<p>10:30-11:15am</p>  <p><b>412 Pine Street</b> <b>\$149,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Charming Wood Trim, Original Two Story, Floors &amp; Doors</li> <li>Updated Kitchen &amp; Baths</li> <li>3- Stall Garage Off Alley w/ Fenced Yard</li> </ul> <p><b>Dan Specht • 661-0283</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>	<p>10:30-11:30am</p>  <p><b>2904 Lakeview Dr.</b> <b>\$168,500</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This 4 Bedroom/2 Bath Home is Move In Ready!</li> <li>Open Kitchen/Dining with Center Island and Sliders to Deck</li> <li>Insulated/Heated Garage with Fenced Backyard</li> </ul> <p><b>Kami Guthmiller • 660-2147</b> <b>Lewis &amp; Clark Realty</b></p>	<p>11am-12noon</p>  <p><b>2711 Abbott Circle</b> <b>\$210,000</b> <b>PRICE REDUCED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 Bedroom, 3 Bath</li> <li>Beautifully Updated &amp; Decorated</li> <li>Quiet cul-de-sac</li> </ul> <p><b>Tanya Hacecky • 661-1150</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>	<p>11am-12noon</p>  <p><b>2701 Abbott Dr.</b> <b>\$207,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spacious 4BR, 3 Bath Home</li> <li>Hardwood Floors in Living, Kitchen &amp; Dining Area, Ceramic Tile in Bathrooms</li> <li>Xtra Storage, 3-Season Room, Storm Shelter &amp; New Shingles/Gutters</li> </ul> <p><b>Randy Kussman • 661-8743</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>	<p>11:45am-12:30pm</p>  <p><b>43408 Kaiser Road</b> <b>\$199,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relaxing Lake View</li> <li>Too Many Updates To Mention</li> <li>Additional Garage and Storage Shed</li> <li>Move-In Ready</li> </ul> <p><b>Dan Specht • 661-0823</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>
<p>12:15-1:15pm</p>  <p><b>1307 Oakwood #3</b> <b>\$84,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 Bed, 1 1/2 Bath Townhome</li> <li>Kitchen &amp; Roof Updates</li> <li>Beautifully Decorated</li> <li>Southern Exposure with Garage</li> </ul> <p><b>Ted Mickelson • 661-1640</b> <b>Anderson Realty, LLC</b></p>	<p>12:15-1:15pm</p>  <p><b>1216 Pasque Circle, Fox Run</b> <b>\$149,500</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Great 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath Home with Fenced Yard</li> <li>Many Updates &amp; Recent Improvements</li> <li>Open Kitchen/Dining, Gas Fireplace, 2 Sheds</li> </ul> <p><b>Lisa Noecker • 661-0054</b> <b>Anderson Realty LLC</b></p>	<p>12:30-1:30pm</p>  <p><b>416 Pearl</b> <b>\$109,900</b> <b>NEW LISTING</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 Units in One</li> <li>Investment Opportunity or Single Family</li> <li>New Shingles for Garage &amp; Home Coming Soon</li> </ul> <p><b>Diane Tunge • 660-4754</b> <b>Anderson Realty, LLC</b></p>	<p>12:30-1:30pm</p>  <p><b>502 Meckling St., Gayville</b> <b>\$149,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 Bedroom, 3 Bath</li> <li>Beautifully Remodeled with Old Character &amp; Charm Remaining</li> <li>Quiet Small Town Living</li> </ul> <p><b>Tanya Hacecky • 661-1150</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>	<p>12:30-1:30pm</p>  <p><b>502 East 19th</b> <b>\$124,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 1 1/2 Story</li> <li>Open Dining/Living Room</li> <li>Big Lot, Sprinkler System</li> <li>Close to Park &amp; Schools</li> <li>PRICE REDUCED!</li> </ul> <p><b>Deb Specht • 661-9398</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>	<p>12:30-1:30pm</p>  <p><b>724 Kohles Rd.</b> <b>Kohles Acres, NE</b> <b>\$199,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awesome &amp; Close Lewis &amp; Clark Lake View!</li> <li>Turnkey (Everything's Included) Vacation or Year-Round Living</li> <li>Completely Remodeled 3+ Bedroom, 2 Bath, 3 Car Garage</li> </ul> <p><b>Lisa Noecker • 661-0054</b> <b>Anderson Realty, LLC</b></p>
<p>12:30-2:30pm</p>  <p><b>900 Peninah</b> <b>\$114,500</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wonderfully Remodeled Historic Home</li> <li>3 Bedrooms, 1 3/4 Bath on 2.15 Acres In Town</li> <li>Beautiful Deck in Back and 4 Season Porch in Front</li> </ul> <p><b>Ginny Brinkman • 661-6031</b> <b>Anderson Real Estate</b></p>	<p>1-2pm</p>  <p><b>1231 Pasque Circle</b> <b>\$124,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths</li> <li>Fenced Backyard</li> <li>Brick Accent</li> <li>Seller Paid Closing Cost of \$3,000</li> </ul> <p><b>Bill Bobzin • 661-0148</b> <b>Century 21</b></p>	<p>1-2pm</p>  <p><b>614 W 3rd</b> <b>\$89,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Great Eat-In Kitchen PLUS Dining Room</li> <li>Many Updates, Steel Siding, Ceiling Fans</li> <li>Front Deck/HotTub, Fencing, Garage on Alley</li> </ul> <p><b>Char Herrlein • 661-0864</b> <b>Century 21</b></p>	<p>1-2:15pm</p>  <p><b>108 N. Clark • Irene</b> <b>\$57,500</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very Nice 3 Bedroom Home with Newly Remodeled Kitchen</li> <li>New Bathroom with Jacuzzi Tub</li> <li>Two-Car Garage and Much More</li> </ul> <p><b>Max Payne • 661-8434</b> <b>Anderson Realty, LLC</b></p>	<p>1-2:30pm</p>  <p><b>2912 Masters</b> <b>\$204,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Newer 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Ranch</li> <li>Main Floor Laundry, All Appliances, Patio Doors to Double Deck</li> <li>Partially Finished Lower Level, Deep Lot &amp; Triple Garage</li> </ul> <p><b>Kathy Youngberg • 661-0389</b> <b>Century 21</b></p>	<p>1-3pm</p>  <p><b>1106 Dakota St.</b> <b>\$124,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wonderful Family Home</li> <li>3+ Bedroom, 3 Bath</li> <li>Bright, Cheery Eat-In Kitchen</li> <li>Fenced Yard, 2 Car Garage</li> </ul> <p><b>Leona Sparks • 660-6078</b> <b>Anderson Realty, LLC</b></p>
<p>1:30-3:30pm</p>  <p><b>126 Devils Rim Rd. (Devil's Nest) • Crofton, NE</b> <b>\$339,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Glorious Water View - Great Deck</li> <li>4 Bed + 2 Nonconforming, 4 Bath</li> <li>Hunter Douglas Remote-Controlled Blinds</li> </ul> <p><b>Kay O'Neal • 402-418-0402</b> <b>Shore To Shore Realty, LLC</b></p>	<p>2-3pm</p>  <p><b>3702 Staci Lane</b> <b>\$229,900</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 Bedroom, 3 Bath Ranch</li> <li>Main Floor Laundry</li> <li>Radon &amp; Sprinkler Systems</li> <li>Beautiful Half-Acre Lot</li> <li>PRICE REDUCED!</li> </ul> <p><b>Deb Specht • 661-9398</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>	<p>3-4pm</p>  <p><b>30203 450th Ave., Volin</b> <b>\$110,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wonderful Remodeled Farmstead on 4.8 Acres</li> <li>4 Bdrm, 1 1/2 Bath, 2 Car Garage</li> <li>New Electrical &amp; Plumbing!</li> </ul> <p><b>Ginny Brinkman • 661-6031</b> <b>Anderson Realty, LLC</b></p>	<p>1:30-3:30pm</p>  <p><b>8 Bon Homme Ave. (Bon Homme), Crofton, NE</b> <b>\$234,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dock Permit Approval Process</li> <li>Super Clean &amp; Neat</li> <li>4-Season Porch &amp; New Composite Deck in 2009</li> </ul> <p><b>Kaye O'Neal • 402-418-0402</b> <b>Shore To Shore Realty, LLC</b></p>	<p>2-4pm</p>  <p><b>2507 Mulligan</b> <b>\$199,000</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spacious 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath</li> <li>Oversized 2 Stall Garage</li> <li>Fenced-In Back Yard</li> </ul> <p><b>Noreen Gibson • 464-1693</b> <b>Vision Real Estate Services</b></p>	

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