Cummins and Griffin both agreed to 'Kiss the Bulldog' for Hay Daze Celebration in Janesville

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JANESVILLE — Janesville Fire Chief Bucky Cummins and Pastor Larry Griffin from Trinity Lutheran Church both "Kissed the Bulldog" named Dino in the Chamber Tent on Sunday afternoon during the Hay Daze Celebration in Janesville.

Six candidates were in competition with one another for the honor of kissing the bulldog which is the mascot of the Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton Schools — Clinton Rogers, Mark Novak, Paul Pfennig, John Gardner, Cummins and Griffin.

For one dollar people could cast three votes. When Alice Pfennig brought the totals into the Chamber Tent on Sunday afternoon Cummins and Griffin were the two front runners and as the voting began to close down, the race got even tighter.

The two men were within 10 votes of each other for nearly 30 minutes. Someone in the audience suggested asking Cummins and Griffin if they would both be willing to Kiss the Bulldog if the crowd raised an extra \$100. Within minutes the crowd handed Alice Pfennig more than was needed to getting the smooching action underway.

Alice Pfennig said they raised over \$500 in the last 20 minutes of the bidding process. All of the money raised from the event will go toward Hay Daze expenses.

Pantheon Bulldogs said Dino was a very good boy at the fundraiser and they were happy to help with the event.

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