

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF DANCE TEAMS



FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

2025

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH - FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL 9:00 AM -
12:00 PM CHECK IN BEGINS AT 8:30 AM

Call to order at 9:09 AM

In attendance: Sara Hordyk Portner, Academy of Holy Angels; Anne Schuchard, Academy of Holy Angels; Sarah Amberg, Albany; Katie Simon, Albany; Jen Dalager, Albert Lea; Jayden Everson, Albert Lea; Nadia Fischer-Danzeisen, Becker; Brady Roberts, Becker; Melissa VanHofwegen, Becker; Hannah Stull, Bemidji; Kayla Olson, Big Lake; Dana Duberry, Chanhassen; Hailey Nerison, Chanhassen; Chastity Perkins-Bohn, Chanhassen; Rea Ryan, Chanhassen; Rachel Norwood, Crosby Ironton; Bridget Karnick, Eagan; Ashley Krech, Eagan; Ellie Hebig, Eagan/Eastview; Grace Gilbertson, Eastview; Killie Thomas, Eastview; Taylor Varghese, Eastview; Alyssa Brix, Eden Prairie; Kristen Biwan, Edina; Allie Paulson, Edina; Etta Winje, Edina; Rachel Kilpela, Forest Lake; Madeline Sheahan, Fridley; Megan Carlson, Goodhue; Chelsea Lockrem, Goodhue; Bailey Stark, Holdingford; Marit Green, Hopkins; Kira Haglin, Hopkins; Carly Schweitzer, Hopkins; Cortney Williams, Irondale; Victory Benson, Kasson-Mantorville; Meghan Culverson, Kasson-Mantorville; Natalie Horn, Kasson-Mantorville; Mariah Rudningen, Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg; Caitlin Mayo, Melrose; Emily Hanson, Minnetonka; Megan Schuler, Minnetonka; Tana Ziesmer, Minnewaska; Amanda Macziewski, Montevideo; Megan Macziewski, Montevideo; Olivia Brion, Monticello; Tiffany Sandhurst, New Prague; Cherish Allen, Northfield; Katelyn Sullivan, Osseo; Madeson Stalmer, Prior Lake; Kaitlynn Carpenter, Rosemount; Olivia Conn, Rosemount; Alexandria Slocum, Saint Charles; Kayla Biegler, Saint Francis; Evelyn Smith, Saint Francis; Janna Fitzgerald, South St. Paul; Zohra Rouna, Spring Lake Park; Felicia Sechser, Spring Lake Park; Jennifer Whiteley, Spring Lake Park; Alannah Peters, Tartan; Hannah Daley, Totino Grace; Rachel Doran, Totino Grace; Angela Forte, Totino Grace; Michelle Kamenov, Former; Karlee Frank, Wabasha-Kellogg; Jennifer Marx, Wabasha-Kellogg; Morgan Hughes, Waconia; Jennifer Peitz, Waconia; Alyssa Sawinski, Waconia; Alyse Eichorst, Wayzata; Ella Winston, Wayzata; Stephanie Feld, Zimmerman; Jocelyn Sailor, Zimmerman.

ON ZOOM: Marissa Haakonson, Catheral; Hailey Brower, Frazee; Rhi Edwards-Lieberman, Becker; Carly Wager, LQPV-DB; Aaliyah Schommer, LQPB-DB; Katie Harmeyer, Woodbury; Collen Christianson, Aitkin; Britton, Detroit Lakes; Sam Geyen, Shakope; Kelly McCarney, Sartell; Jen Klemmensen, STMA; Megan Heidemann, Anoka;

AGENDA

Mission/Vision/MADT Goals

- Ask: Please refrain from being on laptops and phones so we can be engaged for the meeting
- Review of mission, vision & values
- Review of board goals:
 - Every high school program have a member of MADT
 - Work within our budget and find opportunities for growth
 - Continue to build our resources for coaches
 - Be inspired and engaged

Board Reports

- President's Report
 - Board reorganization
 - Inspired by membership responses to survey
 - Shared a new organizational chart with membership to inform way we are operating
 - Introduction of the Executive Director role
 - Survey Results Overview
 - Low response rate: only 21% of schools represented
 - 72% head coaches
 - 100% at least 1 school from each section from each class participated
 - 88% of teams have 7-12th grade
 - 95% participate in Summer Waiver period
 - 55% of coaches are unpaid over summer
 - How are coaches being compensated?
 - Booster Club: Hourly wage - independent contractor - stipend
 - Community Ed: Similar to a clinic or rec program
 - 57% schools do not have a fall program
 - Activity Director relationships: responses varied from great-good-OK and only a few need improvement/not good
 - Rules Changes 2025-2026
 - Spring Try-Outs
 - October 20th first day of our season is the first day you can host tryouts. Each team can decide HOW to conduct tryouts, but you can not roster a team until after the 20th.
 - Uniforms
 - Music
 - You can share music final cuts with your team at any time. No longer need to wait for the first day of choreography.
 - NDCA Textbook

- NDCA is working on a coaches textbook. MADT is one of the contributing parties to this project.
 - Membership to NDCA is \$50 - there are a lot of online resources you get access to with the membership.
 - NDCA Convention happening May 14-16, 2026 in Dallas, TX
- Proposal Process
 - Fall - Vote on proposals - Fall Membership Meeting 10/4/2025
 - NOTE: nothing submitted to vote on at today's meeting
 - MSHSL - Submit to league - Winter Sports Submission 2/15/2026
 - Spring - Discussion & Review - Spring Membership Meeting 4/18/2026
- JAM Collaboration
 - Recap of a meeting we had with them over the Summer.
- Executive Director Report
 - MSHSCA Fall Meeting Recap
 - MSHSL Celebration 110 years of existence
 - MSHSCA celebrating 90 years
 - MAD was established in 1980 - 45 years!
 - Membership - consider having assistant coaches become members for liability coverage. Lawsuits are on the rise for coaches.
- Secretary's Report
 - Motion to approve: Eichorst, Wayzata; second: Swenning, Cannon Falls
 - Motion to approve Secretary's report carried at 10:25 AM
- Treasurer's Report
 - Motion to approve: Gilbertson, Eastview; second: Carlson, Goodhue
 - Motion to approve Treasurer's report carried at 10:30 AM

Activity Advisory

- Class A: Jamie Swenning, Rachel Norwood
- Class AA: Nadia Fischer-Danzeisen, Rachel Doran
- Class AAA: Katie Ohlund, Marit Green
- Recap of AA meeting with MSHSL
- Next meeting scheduled for November 3rd
 - League is specifically wondering how this season went with the change to no spring tryouts and having tryouts start on day 1

New Business

Membership Update

- Deadline to register by 12/31 to nominate athletes for all-state
- Current members as of 10/3: 204

- All Inclusive: 116
- Regular: 85
- Former Coach: 3
- Current membership by class:
 - Class A: 42
 - Class AA: 55
 - Class AAA: 104
- Looking to add Associate membership! More to come on this.

Mentorship Update

- Third Sunday of every month at 7-8pm

MADT Events

- Student Convention & Solo Showcase
- Awards
- Scholarship Review
- All-State
- Coaches Weekend

Breakout Discussions

- BOD Class Representation, BOD Term Limits, Pipeline-VP selection
- Rule Changes for 2026-2027

Motion to adjourn meeting: Biwan, Edina; Second: Benson, Kasson-Mantorville

Motion carries at 12:01 PM

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MADT FINANCE UPDATE



2024 - 2025 Income \$55,786.14

	2024-2025 Actuals	2025-2026 Proposed
Membership dues	\$29,195.00	\$30,000.00

Partnerships	\$2,500.00	\$10,000.00
BOD Misc	\$1,539.14	\$0.00
Student Convention	\$11,546.00	\$10,000.00
All-State	\$10,956.00	\$11,000.00
Coaches Continuing Ed	\$50.00	\$500.00

Total \$55,786.14 \$61,500.00

2024 - 2025 Expense \$50,152.74

	2024 - 2025 Actuals	2025 - 2026 Proposed
Business Overhead (Meals, mileage, zoom, bank charges, etc...)	\$16,628.23	\$20,000.00
Membership (Food, printing, recognition/awards)	\$4,131.15	\$4,000.00
Student Convention	\$2,699.98	\$2,500.00
All-State	\$6,064.51	\$6,000.00
Coaches Continuing Ed	\$5,768.53	\$7,500.00

Coaches Celebration \$6,610.34 \$7,500.00 Student Scholarship

\$8,250.00 \$8,000.00 **Total \$50,152.74 \$55,500.00**