

OF DANCE TEAMS

SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

2026



SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH - EDINA HIGH SCHOOL 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

CHECK IN BEGINS AT 8 AM

Call to order at 8:33AM

In attendance: Anne Schuchard, Academy of Holy Angels; Colleen Christensen, Aitkin; Justice Ramos, Aitkin; Sarah Amberg, Albany; Breanne Ostendorf, Albany; Tori Dengerud, ACGC; Sloan Hedtke, ACGC; Kayla Sellers, Austin; Raquel Anderson, BOLD; Melissa Honzay, BOLD; Brady Roberts, Becker; Melissa VanHofwegen, Becker; Nadia Fischer-Danzeisen, Becker; Trina Develice, Blaine; Tricia Eckerman, Blaine; Julie Davidge, Brainerd; Terri Ebinger, Brainerd; Cindy Clough, Brainerd; ALyssa McKeag, Burnsville; AnnMarie Engebretson, Burnsville; Jada Krinke, Cannon Falls; Rea Ryan, Chanhassen; Hailey Nerison, Chanhassen; Ashley Flynn, Chanhassen; Chastity, Bohn-Perkins; Dana, Duberry, Chanhassen; Rachel Norwood, Crosby-Ironton; Kim CHick, Duluth East; Bridget Karnick, Eagan; Taylor Vaghese, Eastview; Mackenzie Hall, Eden Prairie; Olivia Brix, Eden Prairie; Alyssa Brix, Eden Prairie; Alyssa Roper, Eden Prairie; Krisin Biwan, Edina; Allie Paulson, Edina; Etta Winje, Edina; Emily Cofeld, Foley; Rachel Kilpela, Forest Lake; Madeline, Sheahan, Fridley; Chelsea Lockrem, Goodhue; Hannah Johnson, Hawley; Bailey Stark, Holdingford; Grayce Meyer, Holdingford; Claire Boever, Holdingford; Marit Green, Hopkins; Allison Dill, Hopkins; Cortney, Williams, Irondale; Meghan Culverson, Kasson-Mantorville; Victory Benson, Kasson-Mantorville; Mariah Rudningen, Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg; Katie Ohland, Lakeville South; Taylor Witt, Little Falls; Jill LEste, Maple Grove; Stacy Marquardt, Maple Grove; Caitlin Mayo, Melrose; Emily Hanson, Minnetonka; Megan Schuler, Minnetonka; Tana Ziesmer, Minnewaska; Jennifer Ziemer, New London Spicer; Tiffany Sandhurst, New Prague; Tara Brandt, New Prague; Cherish Allen, Northfield; Katelyn Sullivan, Osseo; Kelsey Sinna, PACT Charter School; Amma Pearson, Robbinsdale ARMstrong; Aspen Smith, Rochester JOhn Marshall; Emma Wiessenberger, Rosemount; Olivia Conn, Rosemount; Kaitlynn Carpenter, Rosemount; Brittany Rehling, Roseville; Karen MOrales, Roseville; Darcy Loera, Roseville; ALEXandra Slocum, Saint Charles; Marissa Haakonson, St. Cloud Cathedral; Kelly McCarney, Sartell; Janna Fitzgerald, South Saint Paul; Rozlyn Wilson, South Saint Paul; Alannah Peters, Tartan; Kristen Gagnon, Totino Grace; Michelle Kamenov, Two Rivers; Molly Engle, Two Rivers; Katelyn Hendrickson, Two Rivers; Ashley Le, Two Rivers; Liv Tikalsky, Two Rivers; Jennifer Marx, Wabasha-Kellogg; Jillian Lueth, Waconia; Amy Segner, Waconia; Morgan Huges, Waconia; Stephanie Feld, Zimmerman; Kristi Herzig, Zumbrota-Mazeppa

AGENDA

Secretary's Report

- Review [FALL MEMBERSHIP](#) meeting minutes
- Motion to review 2025 Fall Membership Meeting Minutes Engle, Two Rivers; Second by St. Charles
- Motion Passed at 8:37AM

Treasurer's Report

- Balance:
 - Starting Balance: \$31,563.90
 - Ending Balance: \$60,277.81
- Motion to approve the Treasurers report Kim Chick, Duluth East; Second Kelly McCarney, Sartell
- Motion passed at 8:39am
- PL Report: [MADTPL 8/1/25 - 4/17/26](#)
 - Outstanding - \$401.88 (awards), \$230.10 (Mileage), \$100 (Jordan Turgeon, All-State Announcer) & \$1,204.23 (Warehouse Winery)
 - Upcoming expenses - All-State Venue, BOD Mileage, Scholarships

President's Report

- BOD 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
- Partnership Thank You's
- Event Recap (Student Convention & All-State)
 - 137 participants & 35 participants in first ever solo showcase
 - All State 294 out of 421 Selected, 262 participants, 101 schools represented
- Awards & Celebration Recap
- 26-27 Proposals & Process
 - Discussion on new choreography rules and season calendar
 - MSHSL will be providing a FAQ document the first week of May
- JAM Updates
 - JAM has elected a new Board
 - Discussed some things JAM saw last season. Document will be sent out in a memo for all coaches to reference.

- Discussed order of performance for middle school teams at comps for host schools
- Student Scholarships
 - Confirmed timeline of review to members
 - New process via google form
- Understanding VP Election / Pipeline
 - Discussed new org chart for BOD
 - Roles and tasks of each board member
 - Advising of replication of MSCHA structure
 - Reviewed pipeline time in role expectations
 - Recognition to Michelle on work done to complete
 - Discussed connection to AA
 - Confirmed job descriptions are on website
 - Ask to members to review and reach out with any interest

Executive Director's Report

- MSHSCA Spring Delegate Assembly
 - Michelle recap
 - Coaches from all sports across the high school league to discuss broader topics
 - Topic - education based athletics
 - Reminder our activities are connected to education institutions
 - Represent positively
 - Advise to connect with ADs
 - Topic - students moving to online programs
 - Old - could participate in local district programs
 - New - Fall 2027, not finalized
 - Discussion around online eligibility and transfer rules
 - Potential geographic restrictions
 - Geographical financial implications
 - Review safety protocols with AD
 - Go into proposals with data backed recommendations
 - Ensure league staff (lisa) understand and support our proposals
- Section Resource development
 - NEW- Find out assignment by december for the following year
 - Averages of enrollment from previous year + current year
 - August 1st deadline for schools to turn in info
 - Watch out - schools who will not have a team but still register can inaccurately represent true landscape of participating teams

- Ask to members - if you know of this advise your ADs to reach out to those schools
- Reminder of benefits of registering - insurance coverage
- Non-renewal - MSHCA insurance and attorney access
 - 122A.33 -ASK - CONFIRM ACCURATE?
 - Michelle reviewed to members
- Resource availability reminders for the following topics
 - Sections
- No questions at this time

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF DANCE TEAMS

SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Mentorship

- Year in Review
- Goals
 - Resources
 - Reminder where to find all resources
 - Advise to use Qr code to access
 - Meeting Recaps
 - Showcased all participants throughout the year
 - Routine analysis recap
 - Showed participants
 - Chelsea gave overall recap
 - Rea ask to members to fill out feedback form
 - Reviewed upcoming timeline
- Michelle recognition to Rea and Chelsea for improved structure, process, and drastic increase in participants

New Business

- New Membership Levels 26-27

- Confirming new member levels pending finalization of bylaw updates
 - Association member
 - Fall
 - Middle
 - College
 - Former
 - Full (regular and all inclusive)
 - No change
- Reminder to register for upcoming year
- Reviewed benefits of becoming a member
- Volunteers & Committees 26-27
 - Score Sheet Review
 - Reviewed purpose
 - Plug to members to join
 - JAM Scheduling
 - Reviewed purpose
 - Plug to members to join
 - Website Scores
 - Reviewed purpose
 - Reminder to submit
 - Events
 - Reviewed annual events
 - Recognition to Mel from becker
 - Overall plug to members to volunteer
- Board Applications
 - Recognition to applicants
 - Olivia c
 - Nadia F-D
 - Bridget C
 - Jen K
 - reminder to review applications before voting
- Activity Advisory Applications
 - Thank current AA members
 - Reminder purpose of AA
 - Listed applicants
 - A
 - Raquel A
 - Karlee F

- Marissa H
 - Kristi H
 - AA
 - Nadia F-D
 - Kelly M
 - Kayla S
 - AAA
 - Alyse E
 - Marit G
 - Katie O
 - Alannah P
- Vice President Candidates -
 - Both candidates gave intros, summarized pitch of why they should be the next VP - collaborated on overall pitch to members
 - Reminder to review applications
 - Rea Ryan
 - Passion about sport
 - Opp to give back to both athletes and coaches
 - Ensure value MADT provides is clear to members
 - Value in connection and outreach
 - Advance sport forward
 - Importance of communication and transparency to membership
 - Intentional of how we are advancing our sport both internally and externally
 - Chelsea Lockrem
 - Agreed with all of the above
 - Focus on how to advance sport and serve coaches
 - Continuing to serve in any capacity
- Presentation from The Line Up - **CHANGE ORDER ON AGENDA - GOING AT ~11:15**
 - General intros
 - Update to overall headcount at TLU - Increase
 - Overview of TLU capabilities and resources available to coaches
 - Reminder of early bird deadline

Breakout Groups

- Activity Advisory - Dangerous Moves
 - Group Kahoot activity

- **ACTION:** Bailey and Michelle to capture external notes/photos of results and share to BOD
- **ACTION:** Add summary to meeting minutes
- Breaking into groups by class to discuss further
- Recap of discussions
 - A
 - Concern on teaching safety
 - Equity for both dancers and coaches
 - Score sheet implications
 - Pressure to put in even if not ready due to score sheet
 - Needing certification
 - Do we need restrictions and/or clarifications on consecutive skills similar to kicks, turns, etc
 - AA
 - If yes, need proper training for coaches and dancers
 - Expanding possibilities for lifts
 - Challenge on policy language being clear but not too restrictive
 - Resource equity
 - Shoe type
 - AAA
 - Lift safety and feasibility discussion
 - Floor safety
 - Shoes are intertwined with discussion
 - Coach responsibility and training
 - Can it be incorporated into annual training
 - Can we add a similar training for the athletes
 - College dance pipeline implications
 - Male athletes vs. female, strength
 - Inversion levels and restrictions vs. current rules
- Board of Directors - Squad Size / Number of Athletes on the Floor
 - **CHANGE** - Moving topic to mentorship circle in interest of time
 - Confirmed announcement of change to membership
- Motion to adjourn meeting - 11:29
 - Members - benson kasson, lockrem goodhue
 - Motion carried - 11:29

