DTCA Spring Meeting Minutes May 11, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:31pm by Mark Tolvstad, President

Roll Call

Present: Billings (Jamie), Helena (Jordan, Amanda, Todd), Bismarck (Tara, Roger, Steve), Fargo (Frank, Ann, Kalvin, Zach), Grand Forks (Dan, Jill), Aberdeen (Alexa, Brandon, Mark), Brookings (Matt), Rapid City (Janet), Sioux Falls (Jennifer), USCA Rep (Jonathan)
Absent: Missoula, Devils Lake, Drayton, Grafton, Minot, Williston, Watertown, Yankton

- Secretary Report
  - No Minutes from Fall Meeting
- Treasurer Report
  - Income reported at $7900 from dues; Missoula only one not paid
  - USCA reimbursement from playdowns not received yet from added $25/player regional playdown fee
  - Arena host fee ($800) not paid yet
  - Roger no longer USCA Rep, but DTCA agreed to spilt the cost with MACA going forward

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Roger Smith; seconded by Frank Podoll; motion carries

- USCA Rep Update (Jonathan Lee)
  - USCA was Olympics focused this year, but seeking more sponsorships
  - Discussion of sweeping rules at Paralympics
  - Have selected HP director to be announced shortly and this person will be at the Rock Creek Talent Showcase this weekend
  - At-Large region and rep under review
- Arena Work Group Update (Theresa Klingbile)
  - Substack articles published monthly in Our House page on USA Curling website
- NDCF (Roger Smith)
  - 6-board member foundation that supports regional teams and clubs through donations and grants with a rolling deadline
- Regional Cup
  - DTCA captured inaugural Cup through points collected at Mixed Fours, Clubs, Arena, and U18 Nationals
  - Will be presented at Member's Assembly this Fall
- Host Sites 2026-2027
  - U18: Drayton accepted; December 4-6, 2026; Chair= Tom
  - Men's & Women's Clubs: Bismarck accepted; date TBD

    - Mixed Fours: Grafton accepted; February 5-7, 2027; Chair= Jennifer
    - U14: Minot accepted; March 5-7, 2027; Chair= Kit
        - Will stay within each state (MT, SD, ND)
    - HS: Fargo accepted; February 26-28, 2027; Chair= Kalvin
        - Changed name to DTCA; opportunity for each state within the region to host their own event if desired
    - 5U: Williston accepted and submitted for National Qualifier; March 5-7, 2027; Chair= Travis
    - Arena: Helena accepted; April 9-11, 2027; Chair= Jordan
- Bonspiels
    - Summer Spiels: Drayton and Bismarck separate weekends, Sioux Falls
    - DTCA Google calendar to place spiels scheduled throughout the year to help avoid overlapping of spiels within the region
- New Business
    - Hall of Fame: Roger Smith would like to nominate Richard Maskell to the USCA Hall of Fame for his accomplishments

Motion to nominate Richard Maskell into the USCA Hall of Fame on competitor side by Roger Smith; seconded by Janet; motion carries

    - DTCA Playdown Restrictions: Eligibility is determined by USCA
    - Athlete Committee: members can approach any board member with concerns, feedback, ideas
- Club Updates
    - Helena: 3 spiels, sent 4 teams to arena playdowns and excited to host next year, capitalize on Olympics with an additional daytime league and membership high, Club member Katie went to Paralympics
    - Billings: see growth around Olympics, threw last rock at Centennial Ice and start new arena construction- hoping to host events, local Montana State games successful, looking for a new set of rocks
    - Bismarck: hosted a successful Junior Nationals in an arena setting
    - Fargo: will host Scots Tour and possibly a National event
    - Grand Forks: Mini leagues a success, host USWCA event
    - Aberdeen: expanded youth league, partnership with intermural at local college, strategic with their budget, Spiel Jan 1-3, 2027
    - Brookings: hosted arena playdowns and have seen a membership increase
    - Rapid City: not as active of a club but growing
    - Sioux Falls: hosted Olympic Trials, June Summer Spiel, add leagues, grow youth league

- Elections

Motion to accept Tim McCurdy from Aberdeen into the secretary position by Jamie Connell; seconded by Roger Smith; motion carries

Motion to accept Steve Donner from Bismarck into the treasurer position by Roger Smith; seconded by Janet; motion carries

Motion to accept Jordan Tollefson from Helena into the vice president position by Frank Podoll; seconded by Jill Baird; motion carries

Moton to accept Ann Podoll from Fargo into the president position by Janet; seconded by Jill Baird; motion carries

- Scots Tour
    - Will consist of 5 American teams, 20 people from DTCA, January 18, 2027 in Fargo, ND
    - Nominations accepted from clubs of those individuals interested
- Fall Meeting
    - Communication will be sent out closer to the fall

Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm by Ann Podoll; seconded by Mark Tolvstad; motion carries