



**MSCA BOARD MEETING**  
**May 14, 2025 – 7:30 p.m. CT**  
**(Online via Microsoft Teams)**

Board Members in Attendance: John Bartholomew, Mike Benson, Scott Carpenter, Sandeep Jain, Sean Nagle, and Tim Radermacher.

Board Members Absent: None

Others in Attendance: None

**Meeting Minutes:**

- (1) Tim Radermacher, the MSCA's Treasurer, presented the Financial & Operations Report for the month of April 2025, a copy of which had been distributed to the Board Members via email on May 1, 2025.
- (2) Mike Benson, the MSCA's President, reported on actions taken regarding the re-plating of certain trophies and the awarding of a new trophy following the determination that an individual had been ineligible to participate in the K-8 section of the 2025 Minnesota Scholastic Chess Championship. The Board ratified and approved all actions taken in connection with this matter. Relatedly, the Board determined that new grade-level verification language would be added to the advertisements and/or registration forms for future state scholastic events.
- (3) Sandeep Jain, the MSCA's Sponsorship Coordinator, reported on his ongoing efforts to engage with potential sponsors of the MSCA and/or its events. Sandeep reported that Chess.com had agreed to offer one-month Diamond memberships to the top three finishers in a new monthly event that the MSCA will host on Chess.com for members of the Minnesota chess community.
- (4) As part of the Board's discussion of the MSCA's upcoming events and strategic outlook, the Board discussed the potential for organizing a scholastic chess camp in June and continued its consideration of leasing space to serve as a home for Minnesota chess, including a review of potential locations and an analysis of financial feasibility. No formal action was taken on these topics.
- (5) With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:25 p.m. CT.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Sean Nagle

Sean Nagle, Secretary