

DOMINION SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES 20 October 2025

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20 OCTOBER 2025 @ 12:00 HRS EST – VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

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MEETING MINUTES

PARTICIPANTS:

Sports Committee

Trevor Jenvenne	-	Chair
Keith Andrews	-	Vice-Chair
Bob Underhill	-	Member
Serge Thibaudeau	-	Technical Advisor
Kelly Therien	-	Assistance Committee Coordinator
Emily Gentès	-	Committee Coordinator

REGRETS:

Harold Defazio	-	Member
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1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & OPENING RITUAL

The meeting commenced at 12:06 Hours, 20 October 2025 via Teams videoconferencing. The land acknowledgement and opening ritual were completed by the Committee Chair.

2. SPORTS COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair entertained requests to add new agenda items.

Motion: It was moved to deviate from the agenda if needed.

CARRIED

3. NEW BUSINESS

The Chair entertained requests for additional agenda items.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The July 2025 Sports Committee meeting minutes were reviewed.

Motion: It was moved that the minutes be approved as presented

CARRIED

5. 2025 LEGION NATIONAL YOUTH TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

A summary of the 2025 Legion Nationals was enclosed with the agenda along with the after-action report. The sports coordinator confirmed the committee reviewed it and spoke on high level items including:

- Athletes schedule when at the track and staying at the track while not competing - The committee discussed feedback including:
 - Team members cheering on team members
 - On-site chaperones (ratio by location per athlete) would be difficult
 - Changing venue; a site visit will determine if this is feasible to explore
- Meals: Food waste for lunch items was highlighted throughout the feedback. Suggestions include:
 - An eating / cafeteria tent at the track – this will allow cleaner tents and potentially offer food outside of the traditional meal window. Cost savings could be explored if there is space at the new location
 - More simple food options for the athletes

It was noted that the Committee of the Whole Meeting will take place following Remembrance Day in November 2025. A meeting invite will be circulated shortly.

6. 2026 LEGION NATIONAL YOUTH TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2026 Legion National Youth Track and Field Championships will be held in Regina, Saskatchewan from August 5-11, 2026 (August 7-9 competition dates). The Sports Committee will review the feedback, suggestions and lessons learned from 2025 during the fall site visit. The new location setup will determine whether these suggestions are possible in 2026. The Fall site visit will take place October 26-29 with the Sports Coordinator and Technical Advisor in attendance.

- All Provincial Commands have confirmed their team numbers for 2026.
- The theme will be linked to highlighting the Legion Centenary, celebrating community moments from across Canada over 100 years.
- There is an open call for a Dominion Command - Male Head Chaperone

A discussion took place about background checks for volunteers; the Sports Coordinator will start speaking with the LOC, and what is required, for volunteers in a position of authority (ie: Security Guards).

Attention from the Vice-Chair noted Roberta Taylor is the new President in Saskatchewan; Carole Pedersen is the immediate Past President. Both are working closely together on Legion Track and Field and shared a great presentation at the SK Convention in September.

The Sports Committee would like more pre-games information on the number and location of medical personnel on-site at Legion Nationals (including within training times). It is suggested that teams of 3+ people are on-site during competition so athletes can get service quickly.

7. 2028 & 2029 LEGION NATIONALS

We received one application to host Legion Nationals, and it will be included in the overall bid comparison. We had many more cities express interest in the Spring and seek the bid guideline packages, but the end of August timeline proved difficult. As such, we have reopened the bid timelines and will target an end of November deadline pending feedback and interest at the Sports Hosting Conference the Sports Coordinator will be attending.

8. 2026 DOMINION MEMBER SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The host instructions for all 2026 Dominion Sports Championships have been sent to the Host Branches. The details for the 2026 Dominion Championships are as follows:

Cribbage: April 24-27
Branch 08-119 Windsor, NS

Darts: May 1-4
Branch 02-015 Cochrane, AB

Eight Ball: May 22-25
Branch 04-043 Norwood, Winnipeg, MB

9. 2027 DOMINION MEMBER SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The analysis for hosting the 2027 member sports will be sent shortly to the committee to review. A meeting to select options will take place in December 2025.

10.2026 SPORT COMMITTEE BUDGETS

The tentative budget for 2026 includes the following:

The Legion Nationals Budget sees a \$25,000 reduction in the budget from 2025 registered from the increase in sponsorship tracking and open registrations. Most other line items remain the same. The total increase of expenses is projected to be under \$5,000.

The Sports Committee Budget has decreased. There is no fall site visit every year for Legion Nationals eliminating \$5,000.

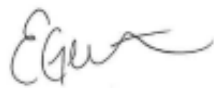
11.CLOSING RITUAL & ADJOURNMENT

The chair concluded the meeting by thanking everyone for attending and by conducting the closing ritual.



T.J. Jenvenne.

Trevor Jenvenne
Chair



Emily Gentès
Coordinator

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