

**MINUTES OF THE
FEBRUARY 15, 2026 • BOARD MEETING
OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL AREA USBC ASSOCIATION**

9315 Largo Drive West, Suite 110 • Largo, Maryland

Call to Order: 10:02 A.M. **Pledge to the Flag:** Cassandra Byrd

Roll Call: Quorum=18.

President: Garrett. **Vice Presidents:** Butler, Drakes, Nettles. **Directors:** Andrews, Blakey, Byrd, Campbell, Carrasco, Connelly, Greene, Holton, McDowell, Silva, Smith, Stewart, Whitted, and Wolde. **Staff:** McGregor.

Motion (Andrews/Nettles): To approve as written, the minutes of the November 23, 2025 meeting. --
Approved

President Garrett: Read a statement regarding what she and the Executive Committee deemed to be an unacceptable pattern of behavior by Director Smith directed (eMail and personal accounts) at board members. After reading the statement, President Garrett stepped down as chair of the meeting and Luis Drakes (1st VP) took over.

Motion (Garrett/Nettles): To remove Mr. Smith from the BOD in the best interests of the association.

Drakes: Any discussions? Members (Garrett, Whitted, Carrasco, Smith) spoke on the matter on the floor.

Votes to remove -- 14, votes to keep – 3, with 1 abstention.

Motion carried. Mr. Smith was advised of his removal and escorted from the building.

Motion (Wolde/Butler): To destroy the ballots- **Approved.**

1st VP: Drakes

Rerate Committee: Nettles and Drakes are working on getting letters out to those on the list.

Audit Committee: McGregor explained the function of the committee. Committee members are - Directors Greene (chair), Byrd, and Whitted.

Hall of Fame: Holton – We do have a few names to bring before the BOD. The resumes will be sent for your review, please review and be prepared to vote at the April meeting.

2nd VP: Butler

Awards- McDowell: The Ad Hoc Committee (Andrews, Whitted, Folks, Connelly) met last week. We have spoken with the Riverdale manager, and we will have more detail at the April meeting. We request \$3,000.00 to support the current program for two years. We will spend \$570.00 to replenish our current supply.

BVL: - Andrews: Fund stands at \$5,198.03. We track the amount on the association web page.

Mr. Dale will present a check from the BVL Mixed Tournament later today.

3rd VP: Nettles

Ways and Means – Byrd: We collected \$2,143 from the BVL Mixed Tournament; all other donations were given to Mr. Dale.

Fundraising – McDowell: We sold 697 tickets, net amount \$3,919.00 after winners were paid.

Brackets – Wolde: I am available to conduct training 2/25 or 3/04 at 6:00 PM if anyone is interested.

New Business:

Motion (Whitted/Holton) To add Women's brackets to our tournaments. — **Approved.**

Andrews: Inquired as to the possibility, of sanctioning our local tournaments, as TNBA. Greta Nettles will check and let us know.

Motion (Drakes/Nettles) To eliminate the Pledge to the Flag at the start of BOD meetings. —**Approved.**

Whitted: New tournament: Limited to bowlers with an average of 170 and below, we will present more detail at the April meeting. It is planned as doubles event currently. We are still looking for a center to host.

Local Tournaments:

Open 2026: McGregor -- 2026 team will be at The Lanes Ft. Meade. Doubles/Singles will be held at Crofton Bowling Centre. All weekends in May except for Mother's Day weekend. I suggest all board members apply for a pass to enter Fort Meade and Potomac Lanes. The online entry portal is available at this time.

Women's 2026: Dir. Blakey -- Center will be Capital Plaza. Dates March 14-15, 21-22, 28-29. Entries are below expectations.

Next BOD meeting will be April 12 at 10:00 AM in the Largo office.

Annual Membership Meeting will be July 19, 2026.

Motion (Wolde/Andrews): To adjourn the meeting at 12:11 PM.—**Approved.**

For the Association,
Ronald McGregor, Manager