DELAWARE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

7/21/2025

EMAIL MEETING

Board Members: President; **Bob Klumpp**, Co-Vice President; **Erica Ries**, Co-Vice President; **Melissa Gilligan**, Treasurer; **Rene Weber**, Secretary; **Jenny Girouard,** Concessions; **Melissa Gilligan**

- **Opening Comments and Introductions from President Bob Klumpp**

  Theme: Motivational Quotes: "Let's Get Fired Up"

  - "When you arise in the morning, think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive – to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love." ~ Marcus Aurelius
  - "Do your little bit of good where you are, it's the little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." ~ Desmond Tutu

- **PREVIOUS MINUTES**
  - Motion to Approve – Bob Klumpp
  - Second to Approve – Erica Ries

- **TREASURER REPORT, Rene Weber, Treasurer**
  - Accounts: General $30,643.03 / Teams $218,166.39

- **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR UPDATE, Steve Glesenkamp, Athletic Director**
  - Please update Final Forms
  - B/G Golf tryouts being Monday, July 28th
  - Football, Cross Country, B/G Soccer, Girls Tennis, and Girls Volleyball begin Friday, August 1st.
  - Both gym floors at the high school are closed July 25-July 31 for recoating.
  - The new Middle School AD replacing Jake Bonofigilo is Cade Canter canterca@delawarecityschools.net
  - The softball dugouts and press box were painted this summer by Final Touch
  - The Athletic Department will be going to online ticketing this fall using Hometown Ticketing – messaging will begin soon.

- **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - **CONCESSION:** (Rene Weber/Melissa Gilligan)
    - Concession Clean Up July 28th to get ready for fall season.
  - **FUNDRAISING:** (Erica Ries)
    - Payne's Fundraiser – Monday, July 21st Dempsey Athletics – Please mention Delaware Athletic Booster/team for the team to receive Dine to Donate credit.
    - Send any team related fundraising to Jenny Girouard jennygirouard@outlook.com to be added to a monthly fundraising email.
    - Pacer Flags still available in concessions.
    - Brick fundraiser is ongoing. Brick will be installed in 2026.

- **TEAM REPORTS**
  - **BASEBALL UPDATE:** (Chris Otten)
    - No update.
  - **BASKETBALL (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Bobbi Burris)
    - No update.
  - **BASKETBALL (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Aimee Byers)
    - No update.
  - **BOWLING UPDATE:** (_____)
    - No updates.

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- **CHEERLEADING UPDATE:** (Katie Stephenson)
  - No update.

- **CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE:** (DeAnna Zahniser)
  - No update.

- **DEMPSEY UPDATE:** (Amy Madden) emailed
  - Cade Canter has been named as the new Dempsey MS Athletic Director – he started on 7/21/2025. Bonofiglio took a coaching job at Kenyon College.
  - Fall 2025 athletic information has been sent out multiple times to all current 6th and 7th grade families and will continue to be sent out to students.
  - Free physicals at Grace Clinic on Saturday, August 2nd starting at 8:00am.
  - Football summer conditioning is going on currently
  - Volleyball open gyms are currently going on
  - Cross Country summer conditioning is also going on
  - August 1st, first official day of practice/tryouts for cross country, football, girls tennis, and girls volleyball
  - Boys golf tryouts begin July 28th and girls golf tryouts are scheduled for July 31st
  - Fall contest schedules are complete but not finalized and will be pushed out once finalized.

- **FOOTBALL UPDATE:** (Kristy Jones)
  - No update.

- **GOLF (BOYS):** (Matthew & Melissa Stroupe)
  - No update.

- **GOLF (GIRLS):** (Tom Bixler)
  - No update.

- **GYMNASTICS UPDATE:** (Robin Kress)
  - No update.

- **LACROSSE (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Sarah Nieman)
  - No update.

- **LACROSSE (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Steph Wheeler)
  - No updates.

- **SOCCER (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Leanna Shorter)
  - Boys played in a summer showcase July 20-21st in New Albany.
  - First Car Wash – Saturday, July 26, 2025 1-5 at AutoZone E William St., Delaware
  - Tryouts 8/1/25 and 8/2/25, team announced AM on 8/2/25.
  - First home scrimmage is 8/2/25 – JV@ 3:00, Varsity 4:45
  - Our annual Alumni game is also 8/2/25 at 6:45.
  - First game of the season is at home on 8/16/25.
  - Our Season Raffle kicks off 8/2/25 for ticket sales. Details: $10/ticket, draw $10 winner each home game, $250 final prize. 8/26/25 – first drawing – 10/9/25 last drawing and grand prize.
  - We are excited for the upcoming season to start.

- **SOCCER (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Jenny Artemus)
  - We had our summer tournament on July 19th and 20th at Olentangy High School. We were able to take two rosters and had a successful weekend for our coaches and athletes.

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- We will begin tryouts August 1st and continue into the following week.
- We also have two home scrimmages on August 5th and 7th starting at 5:30 pm. Then we close the week with our fun Alumni Game on Saturday, August 9th at 5:3pm.
- We kick off our season with Friday Night Lights at Westerville Central on Friday, August 15th. Our first home game will be Tuesday, August 19th! We are looking forward to a fantastic season.

- **SOFTBALL UPDATE:** (Renee Stahl)
  - No update.

- **SWIM/DIVE UPDATE:** (Paige Markward)
  - No update.

- **TENNIS (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Lisa Toombs)
  - Open courts and lifting have been ongoing throughout the summer.
  - Many of the boys played in the USTA Junior tournament that was held at our courts last week.
  - Check out the new Shade Sails at the courts that were put up by some of our graduated players/parents to help provide some needed relief from the sun on these warm summer days.
  - Thanks and Go Pacers!

- **TENNIS (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Laura Waltz & Tara Brown)
  - Open courts and lifting have been ongoing throughout the summer
  - First regular day of practice is August 1st.
  - First match on Friday, August 8th against Jonathan Alder
  - We will be hosting the Hayes Invitational on Saturday, August 9th. Six teams will be participating.
  - Many of the girls played in the USTA Tournament that was held at our courts last week to help get ready for the season.
  - 20 matches and 2 tournaments on the schedule for the season, plus the OTCA team tournament and Sectionals and Districts.

- **TRACK & FIELD (BOYS & GIRLS) UPDATE:** (_____)
  - No update.

- **VOLLEYBALL (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Amy Lenocker)
  - No update.

- **VOLLEYBALL (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Lisa Davis)
  - Teams will travel to Cedar Point Friday to play in a tournament and then tryouts start next Friday 8/1. Looking forward to a great season!

- **WRESTLING (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Jill Powers)
  - Wrestling fundraiser on Saturday, August 16th Downtown Takedown Pub Crawl

- **WRESTLING (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Carissa Krauss)
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➢ **STUDENT ATHLETE UPDATES:**
  - N/A- summer no reps.

➢ **OLD BUSINESS:**
  - Sports Schedule Posters for 2025-26 seasons – Goals: Visibility of Sports Programs, Visibility of Boosters, Businesses that Support. Poster is awaiting final schedules, with projected PDF to share in July's meeting minutes, so these can be posted by August 1st. Posters are printed and ready to be distributed to local businesses.

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- **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - Vacancies at the end of the 2025-26 school year on the board are the position of Concession Manager and Treasurer.
- **OTHER BUSINESS:**
  - N/A
- **NEXT MEETING**:
  - Monday, August 18th First Meeting of the 2025-26 school year @ 7pm in Hayes Library (LRC).
- **MOTION TO ADJOURN –** N/A

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