DELAWARE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

11/17/2025

IN PERSON 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,** Student Representatives: **Josh Jones, Jake Zahniser, Taylor Larason**

- **Opening Comments and Introductions from President Bob Klumpp**
  Theme: Motivational Quotes: "Transition"
  - "The secret to change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but on building the new!" ~ Socrates
  - "Those times of transitions are great opportunities to look for recurring patterns in your life and make adjustment to build on the good and reduce the bad." ~ Dan Miller

- **PREVIOUS MINUTES**
  - Motion to Approve – Bob Klumpp
  - Second to Approve – DeAnna Zahniser

- **TREASURER REPORT, Rene Weber, Treasurer**
  - Accounts: General $48,136.39 / Teams $209,287.94

- **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR UPDATE, Steve Glesenkamp, Athletic Director**
  - Home Schedule begins next week. There are a lot of events this winter season.
  - Final Forms are almost complete, following up on a few physicals.
  - Two head coaches stepped down after fall: Girls Volleyball & Boys Soccer
  - Spring coaching is in place and most schedules are finalized.
  - Spring Overnight Trips: Baseball to Alabama, Softball to Florida, and Boys Lacrosse to North Carolina
  - Question asked about new door procedures: Pacer doors are the main point of entry Monday – Friday between 2:30 pm – 9:00 pm. Weekends will vary based on events occurring and will be adjusted accordingly. Buss Alley West will be open between 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm and then again from 4:30 – 5:30. Teams with early morning practices will be let in by their coaches.

- **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - **CONCESSION:** (Rene Weber/Melissa Gilligan)
    - Winter Concession schedule has been emailed, there have been a few changes and teams affected have been notified.
    - First event will be Wednesday, November 26th, in the evening.

  - **FUNDRAISING:** (Erica Ries)
    - Payne's Fundraiser – 11/17/2025 – Please mention Delaware Athletic Booster Dine to Donate credit.
    - Send any team related fundraising to Jenny Girouard jennygirouard@outlook.com to be added to a monthly fundraising email.
    - Fruit Fundraiser is now active through December 14th.
    - 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) emailed
    - Girls basketball opens their season on Friday this week – November 21st with an away game at Mount Vernon.

- We recently volunteered to rake leaves and clean up yards for "Make a Difference in Delaware" day (Nov. 8th). This was a great opportunity to volunteer in the community and lend a helping hand to those in need. We collaborated with some of our 6th grade girls basketball players as well. It was a great experience for all an dwe will try to do something similar every year.

- **BOWLING UPDATE:** (_____)
  - No updates.

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

- **CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE:** (DeAnna Zahniser)
  - Wrapped up a historic season. Team of 7 Boys and 7 Girls teams travelled to Indiana for the NXR race, competing as Delaware Run Club.
  - Thank you to the Boosters and for the timely payment of several of our invoices!

- **DEMPSEY UPDATE:** (Amy Madden)
  - Cade is sending out a weekly Dempsey Sports Newsletter to parents emails in Final Forms.
  - Boys and Girls Basketball scrimmages and Thursday play New Albany.
  - Boys and Girls wrestling has begun.

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

- **GOLF (BOYS):** (Matthew & Melissa Stroupe)
  - Nothing to report.

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

- **GYMNASTICS UPDATE:** (Robyn Kress)
  - Senior meet on Saturday, December 6th. Request for Bob Klumpp to announce our two seniors.
  - Will hang senior banners in the main gym.

- **LACROSSE (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Sarah Nieman) emailed
  - Christmas Cash Raffle in full swing, you can purchase tickets online as well as paper tickets from a player. We will be selling tickets at First Friday as well.
  - Offseason lifting.

- **LACROSSE (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Steph Wheeler) emailed
  - Madison Jenkins signed to Flagler College and Hayden Spohn signed to Colorado Mesa
  - Team hosted a youth clinic with 15 new to lacrosse players
  - Players participated in the Rumble in the Jungle and area state tournaments.

- **SOCCER (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Leanna Shorter)
  - Season is over. We held our banquet on November 5th.
  - Officially in off season.

- **SOCCER (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Jenny Artemus)
  - End of season banquet last Thursday.
  - Had an All-Ohio award winner, Reese Laaksonen.
  - OSU vs Michigan football squares have all been sold.
  - Will be receiving a 10K donation from Waterworks Plumbing.

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  - No update at this time.

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

- **TENNIS (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Lisa Toombs) emailed
  - Weightlifting ongoing twice a week
  - Schedule for spring is nearly complete
  - Supporting the Hayes winter sports teams
  - Open Pit Hits coming soon.
  - Thanks, and Go Pacers!

- **TENNIS (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Laura Waltz & Tara Brown) emailed
  - Weightlifting ongoing twice a week
  - Looking to support the winter Hayes sports teams

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

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

- **VOLLEYBALL (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Lisa Davis & Katie Harvey)
  - Team made it to District Finals. We held our end of season banquet a few weeks ago.
  - Recognitions from this season:
    - Taylor Larason – All OCC Scholar Athlete
    - Joycelyn Cusick – All OCC Honorable Mention
    - Claire Davis – First Team All OCC and Second Team All District

- **WRESTLING (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Jill Powers)
  - Parents meeting last week.
  - Official practice last Friday. Duals are scheduled every Thursday, and tournaments on Saturdays.

- **WRESTLING (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Carissa Krauss)
  - Four girls selected for Central District All-Star Meet on November 22 at Dublin Jerome:
    - Abi Forsythe, Bella Torres, Evelyn Krauss, and Evelyn Bowman
  - Will be holding a Michael's Meat Fundraiser.
  - Reverse Raffle has been moved to February 13th, with a Valentine's theme. Working on promoting the event. Working with Erica for electronic payment QR Code and a flyer.

➢ **STUDENT ATHLETE UPDATES:**

- Taylor: Volleyball did well this year.
- Jake: Cross country is over. Wrestling has started.
- Josh: Football has half of their volleyball floors. Open lifting and post season awards.

➢ **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Winter Sports Posters – Compiled a list of businesses, not exhaustive, to approach with the winter sports posters. List of businesses next to sign in sheet. Feel free to add to the list and sign up for distribution of the winter sports schedule poster. Posters were not delivered as planned today, but should have by Tuesday. We will place some in the Athletic Department office and will have posters available on Wednesday, November 26th at concessions. We will follow up to get posters distributed to you if you've signed up.

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- Tip for success: Show up with tape in hand to ensure the poster is up, and not behind a counter.

- AEDs for stadium – After speaking with Dr. Shafer, Delaware Athletic Boosters will be the 501c3 sponsor for the State of Ohio CERTS grant program. School will be responsible for all monthly monitoring and repairs when the AED is approved and installed. Junior, Cate Artemus would like to ask the Boosters to support purchasing the outdoor box for the AED. Executive board will discuss once location of stadium AED is determined, in the event there are other items needed for installation.

➢ **NEW BUSINESS:**
- Concession Manager position – formally extended position to Erica Ries for the 2026-27 school year.
- Treasurer Update – meeting with potential candidates for the position.
- Winter Sports - $20/athlete/sport – Will have final numbers the first week of December for deposit of funds into each winter team account.

➢ **OTHER BUSINESS:**
- Matthew Stroupe questioned if there was any type of financial support the boosters could provide to students that may have the ability to pay fees, such as Dempsey's Swim Club fees. Currently, the boosters does not have funds to assist with financial needs of athletes, regardless of the sport being a Delaware City Schools sponsored team or M.S./H.S. club team (ie: swim, ski, flag football, e-sports)

➢ **NEXT MEETING**:
- Monday, December 15th – EMAIL/ELECTRONIC MEETING – reminder will be sent, please email updates.

➢ **MOTION TO ADJOURN –** DeAnna Zahniser Second: Rene Weber Time: 8:00 pm

27 sports, 1 team GO PACERS!

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Ways to Support Hayes Athletic Boosters:

Kroger Community Rewards: DELAWARE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS

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