DELAWARE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

January 19, 2026

ELECTRONIC 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: "New Year"
    - "New Year – a new chapter, new verse, or just the same old story? Ultimately, we write it." ~ Alex Morritt
    - "Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow." ~ Albert Einstein

- **PREVIOUS MINUTES**
  - Motion to Approve – Bob Klumpp
  - Second to Approve – Melissa Gilligan

- **TREASURER REPORT, Rene Weber, Treasurer**
  - Accounts: General $47,620.75 / Teams $227,054.83

- **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR UPDATE, Steve Glesenkamp, Athletic Director**
  - Softball and Boys & Girls Lacrosse start Monday, February 16th.
  - Baseball, Boys & Girls Track, and Boys Volleyball start Monday, February 23rd.
  - Boys Tennis starts on Monday, March 9th.
  - Club Girls Flag Football starts on Monday, February 23rd.
  - Final Forms are open for all Spring Athletes.

- **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - **CONCESSION:** (Rene Weber/Melissa Gilligan)
    - We are in the middle of our busiest season; several basketball and wrestling events are keeping us busy.
    - Saturday January 17th wrestling event will be rescheduled.
  - **FUNDRAISING:** (Erica Ries)
    - Payne's Fundraiser – January 19th and February 20th – 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.
    - Wrestling Valentines Day fundraiser on hold.
    - Brick fundraiser is ongoing. Brick will be installed in 2026. – Visit Athletic Department website for the Order Form.

- **TEAM REPORTS**
  - **BASEBALL UPDATE:** (Chris Otten)
    - No update.
  - **BASKETBALL (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Bobbi Burris)
    - No update.
  - **BASKETBALL (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Aimee Byers) emailed
    - Heading into the second half of our season. No new updates at this time. Thank you!
  - **BOWLING UPDATE:** (_____)
    - No updates.
  - **CHEERLEADING UPDATE:** (Katie Stephenson)
    - No update.

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- **CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE:** (DeAnna Zahniser)
  - No update.
- **DEMPSEY UPDATE:** (Amy Madden)
  - No update.
- **FOOTBALL UPDATE:** (Allyson Lash)
  - No update.
- **GOLF (BOYS):** (Matthew & Melissa Stroupe)
  - No update.
- **GOLF (GIRLS):** (Tom Bixler)
  - No update.
- **GYMNASTICS UPDATE:** (Robyn Kress)
  - No update.
- **LACROSSE (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Sarah Nieman)
  - No update.
- **LACROSSE (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Steph Wheeler)
  - No updates.
- **SOCCER (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Leanna Shorter) emailed
  - Off season lifting for players.
  - New head coach, Brett Weiss has hit the ground running! Within the first two weeks of accepting the Head Coach position, he met with all returning players, had individual 1 hour meetings with the five rising seniors for season 2026, addressed all parents with a nice welcome and introduction of his team of coaches, started scheduling games for the season, met with the lifting coach at Hayes, met with the Goal Club President to start understanding the Boys Soccer program and more.
  - We are excited for the enthusiasm and new energy for the Boys Program!
- **SOCCER (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Jenny Artemus)
  - No updates.
- **SOFTBALL UPDATE:** (Steve Shipp)
  - No update.
- **SWIM/DIVE UPDATE:** (Paige Markward)
  - No update.
- **TENNIS (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Lisa Toombs)
  - No update.
- **TENNIS (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Laura Waltz & Tara Brown)
  - No update.
- **TRACK & FIELD (BOYS & GIRLS) UPDATE:** (_____)
  - No update.
- **VOLLEYBALL (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Amy Lenocker) emailed
  - No updates at this time.

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- **VOLLEYBALL (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Lisa Davis)
  - No update.
- **WRESTLING (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Jill Powers)
  - No update.
- **WRESTLING (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Carissa Krauss)
  - No update.

➢ **STUDENT ATHLETE UPDATES:**

- Taylor: no update
- Jake: Wrestling season is continuing – 1/3 through season. Team is looking good; placed 2nd at Pioneer classic out of 14 teams. Placed 2nd at Marion Harding and placed well at Edgewood.
- Josh: Senior Banners for winter sports are updated on the TVs. I received 2nd team all-state for football.

➢ **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Winter Sports Posters – Compiled a list of businesses, not exhaustive, to approach with the winter sports posters. More posters are in businesses around town, compared to fall. Thank you for the efforts of our Parent Representatives in getting these posted.
- Students Needing Financial Assistance for sports fees - Spoke with Steve Glesenkamp regarding question from November meeting. Steve has received zero requests for assistance with the pay to play fees and zero request for assistance with equipment from athletes. If there is a concern at the middle school level please contact Cade Canter, Dempsey Middle School Athletic Director, regarding needs with pay to play fees.
- General Fund support for Athletic Department for 2025-26 school year. Steve will provide a list Executive Board to evaluate and determine the amount of financial assistance the boosters can provide. Will make a motion in February Parent Rep meeting for a vote and approval.

➢ **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Spring Athletic Schedule Posters – working with Steve for finalization of spring schedules to create posters.
- Athletic Booster Student Representative process will begin in February, discuss in meeting process.

➢ **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- N/A

➢ **NEXT MEETING**:

- Monday, February 9th @ 7:00 pm in Hayes LRC – In Person

➢ **MOTION TO ADJOURN N/A**

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