DELAWARE ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETING MINUTES

August 17, 2026

IN-PERSON MEETING

Board Members: President; **Bob Klumpp**, Co-Vice President; **Erica Ries**, Co-Vice President; **Di Ashworth**, Treasurer; **Rene Weber**, Secretary; **Jenny Girouard,** Concessions; **Erica Ries,** Student Representatives: **Cate Artemus, Leah Rea, Chase Sims, Jake Zahniser**

- **Opening Comments and Introductions from President Bob Klumpp**
  Theme: Motivational Quotes: "Hammer Down"
  - The phrase "Hammer Down" means to press fully on a vehicle's gas pedal to go fast, or to take strict, decisive action.

- **PREVIOUS MINUTES**
  - Motion to Approve – Bob Klumpp
  - Second to Approve – Lyn Call

- **TREASURER REPORT, Rene Weber, Treasurer**
  - Accounts: General $17,954.90 / Teams $ 21,826.32

- **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR UPDATE, Steve Glesenkamp, Athletic Director**
  - Horseshoe painting almost finished.
  - Senior nights have been set
  - Picture days are set
  - Beginning of season parent meetings are complete
  - We have received the 9th check from Chesrown, totaling $25,000, of the 10 year commitment.
  - Jimmy Jam and his brother are sponsoring the press box under the Shaheen name for 10 years. Announcement at the first home game on August 28th.
  - Kudos to concession stand, look great with new Pepsi machines
  - Thank you to the Parent Representatives.

- **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - **CONCESSION:** (Erica Ries)
    - First event girls soccer, with lots of positive feedback
    - Boys soccer tomorrow
    - Great start for volunteers, fully staffed
    - New product – Dippin' Dots will be available by the first football game, which is also youth night.
    - No concerns with the change to Pepsi, Jet's has been a success so far.
    - Payne's support will still continue with us offering subs at football games on Friday: Italian, Ham & Cheese, Club.
    - Press box announcements to advertise Pepsi, Jet's, Dippin' Dots, Whit's and to make announcements after half time with food specials, if applicable.

  - **FUNDRAISING:** (Erica Ries)
    - Payne's Fundraiser – 3rd Monday of Month from 4-9pm – 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.
    - Brick fundraiser is ongoing. Form can be found on Athletic Department Website. Brick will be installed in 2027.
    - Concessions will be selling car decals and Pacer Garden Flags

- **TEAM REPORTS**
  - **BASEBALL UPDATE:** (Chris Otten)
    - No update.
  - **BASKETBALL (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Bobbi Burris)
    - No update.

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- **BASKETBALL (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Amy Madden)
  - Girls doing well this summer.

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

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

- **CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE:** (DeAnna Zahniser)
  - August 28th – Pickerington North at 8 am
  - Offseason training has been going well

- **DEMPSEY UPDATE:** (Amy Madden)
  - Looking for a parent representative for Dempsey this school year.

- **FOOTBALL UPDATE:** (Allyson Lash)
  - Good fundraisers this summer: Golf outing and youth camp. Digital Pacer Cards -kickoff today.
  - Players are excited for Buckeye Valley game
  - Lancaster game will be youth night, with Jr Pacers lining the tunnel.

- **GOLF (BOYS):** (_)
  - No update.

- **GOLF (GIRLS):** (Tom & Sarah Glisman/Liz Rauh)
  - No update.

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

- **LACROSSE (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Sarah Nieman)
  - Trouble with senior night with balloon arches blowing away. Team is looking into purchasing an inflatable Horseshoe to be used for senior nights, with the possibility of renting it to other teams as a fundraiser for lacrosse.

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

- **SOCCER (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Leanna Shorter)
  - Busy with season, home on Tuesday 18th
  - September 26th senior night
  - Selling raffle tickets for fundraiser
  - New coach and staff, with 38 on team and 3 keepers
  - Team meal on August 31st

- **SOCCER (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Jenny Artemus)
  - Friday night with Westerville Central
  - October 6th senior night
  - Selling 50/50 at home games
  - Car wash raised almost $700

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  - No update to report.

- **SWIM/DIVE UPDATE:** (Catherine Jurecko)
  - Good Summer swim & dive camp
  - Team gatherings for fun activities
  - Looking forward to stadium clean up
  - Working on getting concession volunteers

- **TENNIS (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Angie Macwhinney)
  - Weightlifting going twice a week.
  - Will look to get in some Open Courts as school gets back in session
  - Working on schedule for 2027 spring season.

- **TENNIS (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Laura Waltz & Tara Brown) emailed
  - Season is underway with one tournament and three matches already played.
  - 25 girls on the team this season.
  - Kicked off the season with a strong performance in the Hayes Invitational as the Pacers won the Team Championship along with two Flight Champs.
  - A busy week coming up with 5 matches on the schedule before league play begins the following week.
  - Senior Night coming up Monday, August 24th at 4 pm to honor our 8 seniors.

- **TRACK & FIELD (BOYS & GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Lyn Call)
  - No update to report.

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

- **VOLLEYBALL (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Katie Harvey)
  - We had two scrimmages last week to prepare for upcoming season. Columbus School for Girls and Buckeye Valley.
  - JV first game tomorrow night vs North Union (away)
  - Varsity & Freshman, this Saturday, 10am at OWU.

- **WRESTLING (BOYS) UPDATE:** (Terin Franks)
  - Wrestling fundraiser – Pub Crawl August 29th

- **WRESTLING (GIRLS) UPDATE:** (Taya Noel)
  - Wrestling fundraiser – Pub Crawl August 29th

➢ **STUDENT ATHLETE UPDATES:**

- Cate: Ideas for this school year:
  1. Not a lot of people know about Athletic Boosters and how they support athletics. Would like to share information on Instagram (flow to Facebook) about equipment provided in weight room – DAB needs to be recognized. Can also share information and flyers about fundraisers and things happening in concessions.
  2. Repainting horseshoes on Euclid to emphasize school spirit. Last time painted 2020
- Leah: Ideas for this school year: *Shared during Executive Meeting August 12th
  1. Weight room upgrade: provide a few large TVs that the lifting coach can update with daily workouts electronically, instead of handwriting workouts daily on whiteboards.
- Chase: Ideas for this school year:
  1. Clean up stadium with power washing, paint, mulch around sulkies

2. Upgrade away restrooms. Not only do they get used during games, but also during practices. Doors are missing handles; stall doors don't lock. Visitors use these when they visit our school.
3. Excited for BV game!

- Jake: Ideas for this school year:
  1. Designate a path between stadium & weightroom for safe travel. Sidewalk ends and at times there can be a lot of traffic in the bus alley: vehicle and pedestrian.
  2. Find a way to communicate to the student body what is going on. For example: updated concession offerings Jet's and Pepsi.
  3. Lincoln Mile on August 15th 388 participants registered. It was a huge success. Cross Country fundraiser kicked off with a goal of $5,000!

➢ **OLD BUSINESS:**
- Fall Poster Strategy – posters are up around Delaware – the D.A.B. Around Downtown was a successful way to tag team putting up posters. It will be easy to visit businesses with fall schedules to replace with winter schedules.

➢ **NEW BUSINESS:**
- Student Athlete per Sport 2027 –
  - Motion: Bob Klumpp: $20.00/athlete, with minimum to teams of $250.00, estimated total of $20,000 for 2026-27 school year.
    - Second: Rene Weber
    - Yes: Amy Madden, DeAnna Zahniser, Allyson Lash, Sarah Nieman, Jenny Artemus, Catherine Jurecko, Lyn Call, Erica Ries, Rene Weber, Di Ashworth, Jenny Girouard, Bob Klumpp
    - No: zero
- Reinstated Concession Volunteer incentive: Monthly drawing for one volunteer to receive either a $50 gift card or place $50 in sports team account.

➢ **OTHER BUSINESS:**
- Allyson Lash: Military Night – does anyone have ideas or additional connections to support? AmVets is a solid connection

➢ **NEXT MEETING**:
- Monday, September 21 @ 7pm Hayes Library (LRC).

➢ **MOTION TO ADJOURN –** DeAnna Zahniser Second: Jenny Artemus Time: 7:58 PM

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