BOARD MEETING

NEWSLETTER

DANA RUNNING FOUNDATION

COACHES:

- Boys Co-Head Coach: Coach Dunn
- Boys Co-Head Coach: Coach Noonan
- Girl Head Coach:
 Coach Spina

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

- · President: Audra Smith
- Vice President: Chad Nammack
- Secretary: Amy Barranco
- Treasurer: Charis Williams

MEMBERS AT LARGE:

- Michael Hunter
- Britt Ivarsson
- Tanya Markow

DISCUSSION:

COACHES REPORTS:

Let's welcome Coach Spina! Below is a message from Coach Spina going into this season...



I am excited to get started with summer practice and this season! I am looking forward to FINALLY meeting all the girls! I am working on receiving most athletic clearances and copies of physicals before summer practice begins next Monday. I will have '24 XC race schedule ready to submit to AD by Friday (Coach Dunn said it was due in May, so I am working backwards but will get there). I am still hopeful of pulling off a summer training trip to Big Bear, all those balls are in motion. More background: I started running at age 12 (Fun Fact: my middle school coach was a former Nike sponsored, Olympic hopeful!). I started cross-country in ninth grade, unable to run a mile, I was coached well and worked my way to a cross-country state championship title and full athletic ride to Arizona State University! I believe hard work trumps talent all day, every day! I am hopeful that EVERY girl hits a PR this cross-country season!

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REPORT:

TREASURER'S Account balance as of July 01, 2024: \$30,885.39. Seasons past we have opened with balances as high as \$98,901 (2022) as that was a DHI season. With no DHI this year, we will be assessing the budget submitted to the AD, our necessary expenses, and the possibility of fundraising.

OLD **BUSINESS:** N/A

NEW **BUSINESS:**

Presidents message: Welcome to our new look on minutes. The old minutes format we are used to will look like this going forward and now be called "Board Meeting Newsletter." They will be emailed to the board on the first Tuesday of each month (in lieu of our Zoom meeting). With no DHI this year, which was our only fundraiser, we will be exploring fundraising and what that might look like. If you have any ideas, or wish to head up a fundraising committee please let me know so I can run it by the coaches. We have done various things in the past that I may have templates for, or ideas on. In addition to season costs such as uniforms, spirit wear, entry fees, transportation, etc. the foundation has administrative expenses which must be covered such as insurances, accounting, POB, etc. To ensure that all costs are met we will need to make certain that our donation fee and fundraising are adequate. I am excited to be working hands-on with Charis this season, our new treasurer, and I look forward to solidifying a budget that truly and accurately reflects our season costs and meets the needs of the program.

We are doing things a little differently this season with more of an organic, "grass roots" approach by leaning more on parent volunteers, parent engagement, and parent involvement.

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NEW BUSINESS CONT: I am excited about this because it feels to me like we (the foundation) will be able to focus more on the runners and the program (and place less focus on board red tape, procedures, and processes).

I always welcome working with parents one-on-one, let's talk!

GOOD OF THE FOUNDATION:

Do you have any great ideas for the season, or perhaps wish to head up a committee? Let us know. This section is where we will pitch ideas and share topics that benefit the foundation and program as a whole.

Please email me any topics of discussion or items you wish to bring to the boards attention. As noted in Coach Dunn and Coach Noonan's email, dated April 13, any board items that require deeper discussion and/or voting will either result in an actual zoom meeting or be put to electronic vote.

With only the banquet to plan, this will not be a complicated season. As such, let's all focus on having a strong, successful, fun and positive XC season!

NEXT MONTHLY BOARD NEWSLETTER:

• The next monthly board newsletter will be sent out on August 6, 2024.