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Brian,

Attached is a swimming coop that includes DHS, Trinity HS, and Hope Christian Acad. Also at this time, I would like to formally dissolve our swimming coop with Williston High School. This dissolution would be for boys and girls. I have been in communication with Jeff Dornfield for the past 3 months about the possibility of us dissolving. We have had a very healthy coop with Williston and we greatly appreciate all they have done for DHS.

I am also recommending that the potential late fee for the girls coop with THS is waived. We have taken the past 5 or so months to study the feasibility of DHS to sponsor swimming. With DHS taking the time necessary to come to this decision, I feel that it is not appropriate to fine THS for their dissolution and creation of a coop with us. The below will outline the factors why we feel it was necessary to come to this decision. The following bullets are the reasons why we dissolved our coop with WHS and are creating one with THS:

1) Safety of our students

~Traveling HWY 85 has been deemed the most dangerous highway in the state of North Dakota. Our swimmers have to travel HWY 85 many times throughout the year for practice, to compete in home events, and to catch the bus for road trips.

2) Loss of class time

~Our students have lost numerous hours of class time. The need to get to Williston to catch the bus, there are many times our students have to leave Dickinson on a Thursday for a Friday morning departure, and to get to pool for a home event has created our students to lose many hours of instructional time.

I feel we needed the year to explore this option to make sure we looked at all options. THS is in the same situation DHS is in with students safety and loss of class time. I feel it would be appropriate to waive the coop fee for the reasons stated above.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or Steve Glasser (President, Dickinson Catholic Schools).

Thanks,

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