CS 250 2-5 Journal Scrum Master

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The scrum master is responsible for making sure the team understand the scrum theory, practices,

rules and values. They are there as a leader to ensure the team will reach its project goals and

tasks are done properly and correctly. The scrum master must have good communication skills

as everyone on the team will have different personalities which in turn means the scrum master

must realize everyone cannot be talked to or give work the same way. The scrum master is

responsible for making sure the goals for the project and the timelines are reachable.

First, to execute the scrum events, I would want to do the sprint planning by having the

development team, the product owner and the scrum master come together to make sure the team

is ready to go and get everything done every sprint. The sprint planning will go over all the tasks

that need to be completed by the end of the sprint. For the daily scrums I would want to have the

entire team together so we could all have the chance to go over our progress with our daily tasks.

During the daily scrum we can use the three questions:

1. What we did the yesterday?

2. What we will do today?

3. What problems did we have?

The daily scrum meeting will be 15 minutes and it is important that a time schedule is kept

within the allotted 15 minutes. The backlog refinement with also have the entire team present.

This is where everyone will review the items on the backlog and insure that the items on the

backlog are supposed to be there. Once it is in the sprint review and the items have been looked

over, they will get prioritized and be placed at the top of the list so they can be ready for delivery.

After a sprint backlog refinement or sprint review has been finished, the scrum team will have

the opportunity to reflect on the work that as just shown and discuss ways in which to improve.

We can then talk about what went well over the last sprint, what didn’t go so well, and what

could we do differently. Finally the spring retrospective is the last topic of the meeting and this

is where the team will look back on the work that was finished and identify any changes or

improvements that need to be made.

These events are important because they are a plan of how the project should be completed.

When a project has a plan or an outline to work off of it tends to run soother and tasks seem to

get done in a timelier manner. I also think that it is important for these events to take place

because you can identify any problems as they come along. That will allow any problems or

issues to be addressed sooner rather than later, more than likely not slowing down the projects

progress.

I would want the team to gain respect and trust for each other. Trust and respect are important

when you work in a team/group setting, especially when multiple people are doing different

portions of work that all needs to come together for one project. This will also help the team be

able to lean on each other. When you trust your team member you can then go to them for help,

rely on them when you need them to get something done or even just develop stronger bonds

within the team. All of these things will make a project flow better and the work will get done

better.

To ensure these events obtain the goals I would want to make sure my team all felt comfortable

with me and everyone else in the team. I would want to make sure that everyone felt confident

about the tasks they are assigned and not overwhelmed. As the scrum master while it is

important to stay in charge it is also just as important that your team know that you are with

them. Another thing I would want to do to ensure the goals are obtained is to make sure we are

staying on task and keep things on the timeline we established. Once you get behind on one

thing other things will slowly get behind and then you will not be able to meet your deadline. I

would also want to make sure the team is given a proper environment to work so they can be

productive and work efficiently.