



Huron Jr. Chiefs Football & Cheer – PO Box 317 Huron River Drive, New Boston, MI 48164

Huron Jr. Chiefs Minutes

Date: Monday, March 2, 2026

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Renton Jr. High Cafeteria: 31578 Huron River Dr, New Boston, MI 48164

In Person Meeting – Open to the Public

Attendance:

Present:

- President - Katie Schroeder
- Vice President of Football - Brian Hopkins
- Vice President of Cheer - Danielle Rembor - (Arrival 6:13 pm)
- Secretary - Lindsey Keller
- Treasurer - Adam Zimmerman
- Registration Coordinator - Jayd Engel
- Volunteer Coordinator - Kara Morabito
- Merchandise Coordinator - Lori Zimmerman (Arrival 7:14 pm)
- Media & Fundraising Coordinator, Concessions Coordinator and Flag Cheer Rep - Kelly Dokey
- Concessions Coordinator - Michelle Demyan
- Trustee - Cheer: Jennifer Shimek
- Varsity Football Representative - Joe Koszykowski - (Left at 6:55 pm)
- JV Football Representative - Jerry Bennett
- Flag Football Representative - Eric Thornton

Absent:

- Concessions Coordinator - Rachel Adkins - Resigned
- Concessions Coordinator - Raeanne Blackburn
- Varsity Cher Representative - Melissa Leja
- JV Cheer Representative - Jamie Gibbings
- Trustee-Football - Kevin Tanner

Meeting called to order at 6:12 pm

- I. Approval of the Agenda
 - A. Motion: Jennifer
 - B. Second: Brian
 - C. All in favor. No discussion. No objections. No abstains. Motion passed.
- II. Approval of the Minutes from 02-05-26
 - A. Motion: Kelly
 - B. Second: Jayd
 - C. All in favor. No discussion. No objections. No abstains. Motion passed.
- III. Public Comments: No public persons in attendance.
- IV. Reports
 - A. President:
 1. Rachel has resigned as concessions coordinator. We will announce the opening and hold an election for those interested in the position.
 - B. VP Cheer:
 1. Downriver gymnastics has been contacted to price out their facility in Southgate for tumbling practice for cheer. Danielle will also reach out to Mills to gather a quote.
 2. Jenn received the uniform samples from Varsity. In the past, there have been a lot of issues with Varsity and they are expensive. Cheer has also been working with Champion to obtain price quotes for uniforms. If HJC moved forward with Champion, the cost (when 20% off discount is applied) would be under \$90 for the shell, skirt and undershirt. Further customization may increase this original quote, as final cost depends on what is put on the uniform for a design, but it would not go above \$120. The Champion uniform would also be an 'in stock' option, meaning if things needed re-ordered they would not take as long to come in. The Champion rep has tentatively penciled in our uniform fitting date so they could be available.
 3. Kelly obtained two sample bows for cheer, one with a rubber-band and one with the clip.

Clips would be nice for the season, but metal cannot be worn for Cheerfest. Last 180 bows were ordered, selling the leftover bows at the merchandise table. Kelly wants to make a mockup of what the uniform could look like and see if the font on the bows could also match the font used on the uniform. The bow examples brought would be more expensive than last year (last year bows were \$10 and this year, if the rhinestone bows were ordered, it would be \$16). Names could be added to bows also for an additional \$1. If names were to be added we would have the parents sign off on the correct spelling of the names at the uniform fitting. The price of bows may decrease if more than 120 are ordered. Last year there were 168 cheerleaders.

4. Cheer registration last year was \$190, with uniforms being \$140, not including the bow. If we go with the cheaper uniform, cheer will come in way under budget. Cheer already has a high registration cost and by using different uniforms, we should be able to keep the registration at \$190. Also, there is an opportunity to make a profit from a stunting/tumbling camp. Last year Alex ran a camp for two days and between the registration for that and the merchandise that was sold, cheer made about \$500.
- C. VP Football:
1. By the next board meeting, the hope is to have some jersey ideas from Riddell to present to the board. If we stick with the jerseys we have it is \$68/jersey for youth sizes and \$74/jersey for adult sizes. If we go with the flag jersey and shorts option from BSN, for both pieces it would be \$80-\$90. The sample given to us by BSN for the flag uniform is not reversible. We will have to check for options that are reversible because of other teams in the league having red and black as their colors. We could potentially go with grey or white, or see if there are reversible options.
 2. For the 2026 season, HJC is considering bumping the price of registration for tackle football from \$190 to \$200. Flag football would stay at \$160. While our flag registration is a bit higher than other programs in our league (Airport is \$90, Monroe was around \$50) we still continue to increase our registration numbers.
 - a) Motion to change the tackle football registration to \$200: Katie
 - b) Second: Brian
 - c) All in favor. No discussion. No objections. No abstains. Motion passed.
- D. Secretary: No report
- E. Treasurer:
1. Savings: See Band Finance Board
 2. Checking: See Band Finance Board
 3. Expenses/Payables: See Band Finance Board
 4. Deposits/Receivables: See Band Finance Board
 5. Taxes: Taxes will be \$410 this year. Alton Schroeder Tax Services processed the HJC taxes last year.
 - a) Motion to spend \$410 to use Alton Schroeder Tax Services for HJC's 2025 taxes: Adam
 - b) Second: Katie.
 - c) All in favor. No discussion. No objections. No abstains. Motion passed.
- F. Registration Coordinator:
1. To confirm registration prices, flag football will be kept at \$160 per athlete and tackle will increase to \$200 per athlete. Last year, cheer was \$190 per athlete. Last year, mini cheer was the same registration price as the other cheer divisions. Cheer had been cheaper previously, but the girls did not get the same uniform. Mini cheer does practice less, so we may want to consider dropping that price. HJC will not have a hype squad this year. Those that participated in that program last year will be absorbed into a cheer team, with an understanding the coaches will work with these athletes to meet their needs. We will keep all cheer program registration fees at \$190 for this year.
 2. Open registration was originally scheduled to take place March 16 - May 15. However, Saturday, May 16 would be a good date to allow for those paying for registration with cash or check to do so. HJC will extend open registration to May 16, with late registration beginning on May 17 and running through May 22. Those registering late have to pay with a credit card online. We will use The Shop in New Boston as the location to pay for registration with cash or check on May 16, and Kelly will run a fundraiser at her shop at the same time. Time TBD. For registration 75 athletes per division will be the cap, with any athletes registered after that cap will go to a waitlist.
 3. Uniform fittings will be held at Renton Cafeteria and gym on May 30. Last year fitting ran from 10 am - 2 pm, with board members arriving at 9 am.
 4. Previously the board discussed having customized practice jerseys with the player names on the back to help with evaluations prior to the draft. If we do that, we could have player parents 'sign off' on what the jersey name is for there athlete at uniform fitting.
- G. Volunteer Coordinator:
1. Grasshopper has been evaluated as a Signup Genius replacement. Kara to send out a test sign up to board members so they can view this platform.
 2. Zeffy has a way to check in volunteers using a QR code and it is included with our current Zeffy contract. Adam will give Kara access to Zeffy to explore this option further.
 3. Kara spoke with NHS and DECA regarding student volunteers for our events.

4. Background checks for coaches will not start until registration. Based on the survey that was sent out to previous coaches, there are 32 who are interested in coaching for football. Cheer needs to start pushing for coaches. Minis and flag K-1st need coaches.
- H. Merchandise Coordinator:
1. Dazzle has confirmed they can take HJC sports pictures. These can occur at Doc's on August 22 & 23. To avoid photo mishaps that occurred in the past, HJC might be able to request having final edit approval prior to printing pictures.
 2. The correct helmet stickers have been found and cost \$810 for 750 stickers, \$600 for 500 stickers. Sometimes the company does 20% off, so we will look to order when that runs. Options include matte and glossy stickers. We could buy a sample for \$1 each.
 3. If we move forward with the flag style jerseys for flag football, they would be cheaper than tackle jerseys. Lori will check to see if there is a reversible option, as Monroe is red and black and does not offer reversible jerseys for their players, so we want to be mindful on our colors. If there is not a reversible option, we could consider moving to a grey jersey with red and black being incorporated, but not the main color.
 4. Riddell has options for team stores, but we will more than likely keep our team store through BSN.
 5. Champion has options for jackets.
- I. Media, Fundraising & Sponsorship Coordinator:
1. We are all set at Iron Mikes for Downriver Music Bingo on March 21 at 6 pm. It was discussed to just take payment at the door, but to get a more clear idea on the number of participants, a registration link will be sent out. We need 14 people to register to break even on the cost of the event. All board members will provide a gift basket for the raffle. Kelly will need starter change and will need money to pay the vendor, which is \$350. Iron Mikes has a max capacity of 150 people. If registration numbers are high, we may want to consider asking for a limited menu for dinner options for participants.
 2. For the chocolate fundraiser, there is one box left to sell at Kelly's shop.
 3. Kelly will make a flier for registration and post.
 4. Kelly will reach out to sponsors from last year to see if they would like to sponsor again this year. Sponsor information can be found on Zeffy. Jayd to provide Kelly with the sponsorship plaque vendor. Katie will send Kelly the flier regarding sponsorship from last year.
- J. Concessions Representatives:
1. We will post the open position to the public.
- K. Football Representatives/Trustees:
1. Varsity: No report
 2. JV: Football helmets: A confirmation will be given to Jerry once it is received by Riddell regarding our helmets being shipped (they are shipping to Jerry's address). This will most likely happen in May or June.
 3. Flag: Would be fine with the flag football jersey options presented by BSN.
 4. Trustee: Absent - no report submitted
- L. Cheer Representatives/Trustees:
1. Varsity: Absent - no report submitted
 2. JV: Absent - no report submitted
 3. Flag: No report
 4. Trustee: No report
- V. Unfinished Business
- A. Update on uniform options: See above
- VI. New Business
- A. Kelly will post a mockup of the cheerleading uniform to Band.
 - B. Kelly will create a flier and link for registration, cheer uniforms and the fundraiser.
- VII. Announcements: None.
- VIII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned by the President, Katie Schroeder, at 7:37 pm

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Lindsey Keller

Next Meeting: Dates will be posted for voting on Band.