

PINELANDS JR WILDCATS

General Public Meeting

February 17, 2026

Call to Order – President

Time: 7:08 PM

Roll Call:

- Vanessa Tilton
- Candice Fitzpatrick
- Sergeant of Arms- Position is Vacant
- Tim Furry
- Melanie Saporito
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- ~~Steve Stackhouse~~
- Alison Fariello
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Mission Statement

The Pinelands Jr. Wildcats Football and Cheer Organization (PJWO) purpose is to provide youth, in our area, regardless of race, creed, national origin or sexual orientation, the opportunity to participate in a controlled athletic competition; to familiarize boys and girls with the fundamentals of football and cheer; to provide the opportunity to play games in a supervised, organized and safety-oriented manner; to keep the welfare of the participants of any adult ambition and personal glory; and to emphasize self-discipline, team work, fun and sportsmanship.

President's Report

- The President provided updates regarding the transition to the new board and organizational operations.
- Registration setup for the upcoming season is nearing completion.
- The payment portal has been confirmed and is operational.
- Registration is expected to open shortly once final setup is completed.
- The organization continues transitioning materials and operational access from the previous board.
- Work continues on the organization's website and registration platform.
- The President announced the appointment of Alison Fariello as Treasurer for the 2026 season.
- Additional board and volunteer positions discussed include:
- Football Commissioner: Tom McAndrew (additional support still needed)
- The board also discussed the need for additional spring season volunteers.
- Spring Season will be April 13th to May 15th
- Potential tumbling partnership with Kidzone for cheer athletes.
- Possible stunt clinics with assistance from the local high school program.
- Outreach initiated to the high school cheer coach for potential involvement.

Vice President's Report

- The Vice President presented football program proposals and seasonal structure considerations.
- Spring Program
- Proposed spring clinic structure:
 - Cheer: \$125 per athlete
 - Football: \$125 per athlete
- The spring program will focus on a clinic-style format designed to build player skills prior to the fall season.
- Additional discussions included:
- Potential tumbling partnership with Kidzone for cheer athletes.
- Possible stunt clinics with assistance from the local high school program.
- Fall Program Discussion
- Preliminary seasonal structures discussed:
 - Cheer
 - Sideline Cheer
 - Competition Cheer

- Football
- Flag Football
- Tackle Football
- A coaching interest form will be created for individuals interested in coaching for the upcoming season.
- Meetings held with the Pinelands Head Football Coach regarding involvement of high school athletes as coaches.
- The organization is actively seeking football coaches.

Secretaries Report

- No Report

Treasurer's Report

- The Board approved the appointment of Alison Fariello as Treasurer.
- Helmet reconditioning through Stadium Systems (\$2,440.00)
- Active subscriptions including QuickBooks and Canva
- Current balances across organization accounts total:\$14,357.15
- Breakdown of accounts:
 - Raffle Account: \$0.07
 - D8 Fundraising: \$3,598.80
 - Concessions: \$275.81
 - Fundraising: \$6,067.98
 - D12 Fundraising: \$175.35
 - Main Account: \$4,239.14
- Access to accounts is in process. Tim Furry will be provided access once finalized.

Sergeant-at-Arms Report

- Vacant Position

Football Commissioner(s) Report

- The Board approved the appointment of Tom McAndrew (additional support still needed)

Cheer Commissioner(s) Report

- No cheer meeting occurred in January.
- The February meeting was postponed.

Old Business

- Fundraising ideas, including events and sponsorships
- Grant opportunities
- Equipment needs and safety considerations
- Surveillance and lighting concerns
- Registration and bylaw alignment
- Volunteer coordination
- Scholarship opportunities
- Community and parent engagement initiatives
- Motion: To open the bylaws for review and potential edits by legal counsel.
 - Motion made and seconded.
 - Motion approved.
- Bylaws will be posted for review once completed, with a vote to occur at the next meeting.

New Business

- Equipment inventory and helmet returns
- Banner sponsorship opportunities
- Grant opportunities
- Volunteer recruitment for spring events
- Website forms and online registration tools
- Sponsorship outreach and fundraising initiatives

- Community and parent engagement initiatives

Adjourn

Time: 7:43 PM