

## **BY-LAWS**

### **Wyandotte Indians Association**

### **Downriver Junior Football League**

**2021**

*A non-profit Corporation organized under the law of the state of Michigan*

**Article 1: Name** *The name by which this corporation shall be called is:*

**Wyandotte Indians Association**

**Article 2: Office**

**Section 1** *The principal and registered office shall be located at Post Office Box 26, Wyandotte, Michigan 48192.*

**Section 2** *All official Business and Invoices must be sent to the above principal and registered office.*

**Section 3** *All correspondences on behalf of the Wyandotte Indians must be put on Official Wyandotte Indians letterhead by the Secretary with a copy sent to the President.*

**Article 3: Objective**

*To promote citizenship, sportsmanship, fellowship and physical development among children of the school district of Wyandotte and/or Wyandotte Downriver Junior Football League. To sponsor and promote organized sports events for the boys and girls, including football/cheerleading teams eligible to play in the Downriver Junior Football League, or any league which may be formed.*

**Article 4: Members**

**Section 1** *Any person, whether mother, father or legal guardian of a boy or girl who is eligible to participate in the program of the Wyandotte Indians Association, shall be eligible for membership in the association.*

**Section 2** *Adult family members must volunteer at three events per calendar year January-December. To get credit for volunteered event you must sign in and sign out. This applies even if the child quits the organization one (1) week prior to the first game or anytime thereafter. Family members may take a buyout option of the three (3) volunteer events. The buyout amount is \$150.00.*

**Section 3** *Failure to comply with the above section 2 will result in forfeiture of banquet attendance, the loss of football player and/or cheerleader veteran status and any deposit.*

1. Three (3) volunteer events must be scheduled on or before the Tuesday prior to Labor Day. The buyout option must be paid in full by this date as well.
2. Failure to comply with Section 5-1 will result in the child(ren) being benched from all practices, the scrimmage and/or games until volunteer events are scheduled or the buyout option is paid in full.

**Section 4** Failure to return equipment and/or uniforms, clean and in good condition, and/or any outstanding monies owed to the organization by the scheduled uniform/equipment hand in date will result in forfeiture of the required deposit.

**Section 5** The following shall result in forfeiture of membership:

1. Aggressive or abusive language in the stands, on the practice field, or on the game field.
2. The consumption of alcoholic beverages, using illegal drugs or any tobacco products at practice and/or game fields.
3. Unsportsmanlike conduct towards the membership, the coaches, the players, the officials, or the fans from both the home team and the opposing team.
4. Grounds for dismissal: misappropriation of funds; neglecting to perform duties as listed in the by-laws and the Downriver Junior Football League rulebook; theft of any property/assets belonging to the association.

**Section 6** The voting members shall include any parent, legal guardian or interested adult party who is considered a member in good standing and who has signed in and is in attendance at their fourth monthly Executive Board and General Membership meeting within the current year, January through December, is eligible to vote.

**Section 7** Any member in good standing, who voted at the November meeting of the previous year, may retain their eligibility to vote at monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings through March of the New Year.

**Section 8** Executive Board members are eligible to vote upon convening the new board in January

**Section 9: Procedures for Official Communication:** Any written notification will be considered official notification. Electronic notification sent to the Secretary and President will be considered official notification.

1. Any dispute of authenticity must be appealed to the Executive Board within 72 hours of Board notification

**Section 10 Procedures for complaints:** Any complaint resulting from incident concerning practice field shall be directed to the Athletic Director. Any complaints resulting from incident concerning the game field shall be directed to the League Director.

- If complaint cannot be resolve, the Athletic Director and/or League Director must notify the Executive Board in writing within seven (7) days of the incident.

**Section 11 Procedures for discipline:** *The Executive board shall preside overall disciplinary hearings resulting from complaint letter of coaches, players, committee people and the general membership. The Executive Board must notify the offender(s) within 72 hours of being made aware of the offense in writing. The Executive Board has five (5) days from date of notification to schedule a formal hearing. Decisions of the Executive Board may be appealed at monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings.*

**Section 12 Tailgating Forbidden:** *There will be no tailgating at any event hosted by the Wyandotte Indians Association at RHS or Pulaski Park.*

#### **Article 5: Functions of the Board**

**Section 1** *The business, property and all affairs of the association shall be managed by the Executive Board.*

**Section 2** *The Executive Board shall meet the third Thursday of every month at 8:00 pm at the Copeland Center, excluding the month of December, or as the Executive Board shall determine.*

**Section 3** *In February, the Executive Board will meet to review the actual expenses from the previous year to prepare a proposed budget for the current year. This proposed budget will be presented at the March meeting. The Executive Board shall decide, with member's approval, on all matters pertaining to the finances of the organization.*

**Section 3** *The presence in person or, by written proxy, by a majority of the Executive Board shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Executive Board, whether regular or special. The affirmative vote of a majority of the Executive Board present or, by written proxy, shall be required to carry any motion or resolution. A quorum consists of more than 50% of the Executive Board.*

#### **Article 6: Executive Board**

**Section 1** *Executive Board members of the association shall be elected from within the active members of the organization in the month of November, A president, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, two (2) League Directors, two (2) alternate League Directors, Athletic Director, Registrar, Fundraising Chair, Concession Stand Chair, Volunteer Coordinator and Cheerleading Director to form the Executive Board.*

**Section 2** *Executive Board Members shall serve in their respective capacities for a term of one (1) year, or until their successors are elected.*

**Section 3** *Executive Board Members must attend at least 6 general membership meetings per calendar year. Failure to do so will result in reviewing of your executive position with possible removal from the position.*

#### **Article 7: Special Meetings of the Executive Board**

**Section 1** *A special meeting of the Executive Board may be called by at least three (3) Executive Board members, upon written and/or electronic notice, stating time, place and purpose of said special meeting. Notice shall be given at least one (1) week prior to the date established for the said special meeting unless said notice is waived by a majority of the Executive Board.*

**Section 2** *An emergency order of business meeting can be held if a quorum of the Executive Board members approve upon attempting to notify all Executive Board members. Absent Executive Board members will be notified of the outcome of said meeting. Minutes of these meetings must be taken and filed with the Secretary.*

**Section 3** *Reference Article 10 section 1 to set annual budget meeting*

**Article 8: Duties of the Executive Board**

**Section 1** *The Executive Board of the association shall be a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Purchasing Agent, two (2) League Directors, two (2) alternate League Directors, Athletic Director, Registrar, Fundraising Chair, Concession Stand Chair, Volunteer Coordinator and Cheerleading Director.*

**Section 2** *All Executive Board members should have working knowledge of the Associations By-Laws as well as the Downriver Junior Football Leagues rules.*

**Section 3 President:** *The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Association and shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board as well as monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings. The President shall have the general supervision over all business activities of this association and shall be responsible for the effect of all policies stated by the Executive Board and all orders and resolutions pursuant thereto. The President shall appoint the members of all standing committees and shall not cast a vote unless their vote is needed for the decision in the case of a tie. The President shall serve as ex-officio member of said committees.*

**Section 4 Vice President:** *The vice President will perform the duties of the President in the President's absence. She/he will be responsible for:*

- *The purchase of all protective equipment, football player and cheerleading uniforms, coaches apparel, related equipment and other purchases from the Executive Board*
- *The distribution and collection of all the equipment disbursed from the storage area to head coaches.*
- *(1) Appointed assistant who will act in their absence. Must submit a report at the monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings.*
- *Scheduling the photographer to take pictures in August for the up-coming season*
- *Obtaining year-end trophies and/or gifts for the football/cheerleading with the approval of the Executive Board.*

**Section 5 Recording Secretary:** *The Recording Secretary will be responsible for:*

- *preserving the books of the association the true minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the Executive Board and all the monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings*
- *preserves a copy of all committee reports filed at the monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings*
- *keeping a current and accurate record of eligible voting members*
- *compiling and maintaining a roster of members in good standing*
- *Maintains the policy sheets for the association as motions are made and adapted for the association*

- *Shall give all notice required by these By-Laws.*
- *Up-dating the names of Executive Board Members with the State of Michigan for the non-profit status of the association.*
- *Maintaining a file of all other correspondences sent out by Executive Board Members pertaining to business of the association.*
- *Obtaining practice and game fields.*
- *Providing the membership with a weekly newsletter, with maps to all playing fields, during the regular season.*

**Section 6 Treasurer:** *For the protection of the association, the office of the Treasurer should be bonded, with the association paying for the bond. The Treasurer shall have custody of all associations' funds and shall keep full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements of the association in record books that have numbered and stitched-in or locked-in pages belonging to the association. The Treasurer shall deposit all funds and disburse the funds of the association as authorized by the Executive Board, taking proper vouchers for the same and shall render to the Executive Board members and General Membership, at their regular monthly Executive Board and General Membership meeting and whenever requested, an account of all transactions of the financial condition of the association. Must submit an itemized report at monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings. Refunds of the registration fee will be made, upon request; a week prior to the first game of the season, less 30% of the associations cost Responsible to turn over all finances before January meeting, Prior Treasurer responsible to turn over all financials. Prior Treasurer responsible for meeting with the President, Treasurer and Board approved Accountant in turning over the completed records and receipts at the end of the calendar year in order to complete the taxes for the association.*

**Section 7 League Directors:** *The League Directors shall be responsible for attending all Downriver Junior Football League meetings and reporting all information to the Executive Board; acting as the liaison between the two. The League Directors assume all responsibility for rules and eligibility on the practice field and on the game field.*

**Section 8 Alternate League Directors:** *Two alternate League Directors are needed in case the two active League Directors cannot attend meetings, etc.*

**Section 9 Cheerleading Director:** *The Cheerleading Director shall be responsible for attending all Downriver Junior Football League Cheer Directors meetings and reporting all information to the two League Directors and the Executive Board; acting as the liaison between the three. The Cheerleading Director shall oversee the distribution and fitting of all cheer uniform items provided by the Wyandotte Indians and shall keep accurate records of all cheer uniforms issued and returned. The Cheer Director is also responsible for additional Cheer duties needed throughout the season. The cheerleading Director may appoint assistants as needed. The Cheerleading Director assumes all responsibility for rules and eligibility on the practice field and on the game field.*

**Section 10 Athletic Director:** *The Athletic Director shall be the administrator over all field activities and coaches. They shall:*

- *Implement the By-Laws, have a good knowledge of the Downriver Junior Football Leagues rules and possess a strong knowledge of the game of football.*
- *Attend all practices and games*
- *Review head coaches and assistant coaches*
- *Place and replace coaches as necessary*
- *Distribute players evenly when there is a shortage or overflow*
- *Hold coaches meetings when necessary*
- *Have the power to appoint an assistant who may act in their absence. The assistant chosen must be approved by the Executive Board.*
- *Maintain an up-to-date coaches seniority list;*
- *Responsible for mailing all head coaches and assistant coaches (in the month of December) a letter soliciting their letter of intent for the up-coming season.*
- *Responsible for coordinating the January coaches meeting.*

**Section 11 Registrar:** *The Registrar shall have the duty of registering all participants and maintaining current rosters of all players and cheerleaders. The Registrar shall also be responsible for sending out letters to all veteran players, cheerleaders, water boys and mascots by April 15 of each year. The Registrar shall make sure that all registration forms and birth certificates are available to the head coaches, the President and the First-Aid attendant at the field at all practices and games. Only League registration forms shall be used. The League registration forms shall be filled out properly and signed by the Registrar and the parent and/or legal guardian. The Registrar may set up registration as determined by the Executive Board sometime between May and the first week of August. They may appoint assistants as needed.*

**Section 12 Fundraising Chair:** *The Fundraising Chair shall be the Chair of the Fundraising committee and shall be responsible for the raising and collecting all of the funds necessary to carry out the business and program of the Association under the direction of the Executive Board. Must submit a report at the monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings.*

**Section 13 Concession Stand Chair:** *The Concession Stand Chair will maintain all concession equipment, obtain all food and will be responsible for appointing an assistant (member). Must notify President in writing of the appointee. The Concession Stand Chair may spend the needed funds to maintain the concession stands. Must submit itemized receipts for all purchases. Responsible for cash box being counted at the beginning and at the end of each day of business by at least two people, one of which must be an Executive Board member. Responsible for providing a financial report to the Executive Board and General Membership at the end of the season as well submitting a report, on Board-approved form, at the monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings.*

**Section 14 Volunteer Coordinator:** *The Volunteer Coordinator shall be responsible for scheduling, monitoring, and verifying a family's three (3) events worked throughout the season. He/she must remind the families, by means of the weekly newsletter, as to the area, the game, or further fundraiser that the family is scheduled to work.*

**Section 15 Removal of an Executive Board Member:** *An Executive Board Member can be removed by a vote of the majority of the Executive Board. If a parent wishes an Executive Board member be removed, they must submit a letter to the Recording Secretary. **REFER TO ARTICLE 4, SECTION 5***

**Article 9: Presidential Appointed Positions**

**Section 1 Weigh Master** *the Weigh Master shall be in charge of all weights before all scrimmages and games. Responsible for picking up and completing the referees and coaches rating forms and forwarding them to the Downriver Junior Football League's Executive Committee. Responsible for transportation and maintenance of the scales. They may appoint assistants as needed.*

**Section 2 First-Aid Attendant:** *The First-Aid Attendant shall maintain and transport all first-aid equipment. He/she shall be an up-to-date EMT or physician or nurse and must show proof to the President. The First-Aid Attendant shall be present at all games and practices. He/she may appoint assistants as needed. Assistants shall be and up-to-date EMT or nurse and must also show proof to the President. He/she shall maintain and up-to-date medical record of all injuries on all participants, If the First-Aid Attendant recommends the a child seek further treatment, before the child can resume participation in practices or games, a parent needs to provide a doctor's note or written authorization from a parent, to resume participation in any physical activity within the Wyandotte Indians Association. For seven or more days, **REFER TO ARTICLE 18, SECTION 4, NUMBER 5***

**Section 3 Banquet Chair:** *The Banquet Chair shall coordinate the planning of the Annual Banquet in the fall. He/she shall appoint an assistant as needed through the Volunteer Coordinator. Cater bids must be presented to the Board for approval. Format for the Banquet should be ready by October.*

**Section 4 Equipment Manager:** *The Equipment Manager shall be responsible for the maintaining of all equipment in the equipment building and for selling of auxiliary equipment such as mouthpieces, etc. An accurate inventory and record of sales must be kept.*

**Section 5 By-Laws Committee:** *Committee shall consist of a Chair (appointed by the President), Recording Secretary and three or more other persons appointed by the Executive Board. Purpose is to review changes to the By-Laws and present them to the membership.*

**Section 6 Wearables Chair:** *Wearable's Chair shall maintain all Wearable's. Shall obtain Board approval for all purchases and submit itemized receipts for said purchases. Shall obtain volunteers through the Volunteer Coordinator. Wearable's Chair will conduct a full physical inventory prior to and following each season. Responsible for the cash box being counted at the beginning and at the end of each day of business by at least two people, one of which must be an Executive Board Member. Responsible for providing a financial report to the Executive Board and General Membership at the end of the season, as well as submitting a report at all monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings.*

**Section 7 Yearly Program Coordinator:** *Shall be in charge at obtaining player ads, business ads, development print and distribution of programs. He/she shall appoint an assistant as needed through the Volunteer Coordinator. Must submit a report at the next monthly Executive Board and General Membership Meeting.*

## **Article 10: Financial Procedures**

**Section 1 Budget:** in February the Executive Board will meet to review the actual expenses from the previous year to prepare a proposed budget for the current year. This proposed budget will be presented at the March Meeting. The Executive Board shall decide, with member's approval, on all matters pertaining to the finances of the organization.

**Section 1 Orders to Pay:** All checks, drafts, money orders and all other orders to pay shall be signed by two of the following Executive Board Members: President, Vice President or Treasurer in the name of the Corporation.

**Section 2 Orders of Business:** Any contract, conveyance of other instrument authorized by the Executive Board may be executed by the President and the Treasurer, in the name of the Corporation unless the Executive Board shall specifically designate other officers or agents to execute orders of business on behalf of the Corporation.

**Section 3 Limitations of Spending:** Any Executive Board Member or other person so designated may only spend an amount of up to \$100.00 without the approval of the Executive Board, with the exception of the Purchasing agent, who is authorized a \$150.00 limit and with the exception of the Concession Stand Chair, who has no spending limit. No funds shall be disbursed by the Treasurer or any other Executive Board Member without an itemized receipt for any bills. Bills shall be the responsibility of the purchasing person without receipts.

**Section 4:** No coaches, players or general membership person shall have any reimbursement made to them from the general funds prior to the approval of the Executive Board.

**Section 5:** Refunds of the registration fee will be made, upon request; up to a week prior to the first game of the season, less 30% of the Association cost.

## **Article 11: Fiscal Year**

The fiscal year of this Association shall commence on January 1 and end on December 31.

## **Article 12: Amendments of By-Laws**

**Section 1:** These By-Laws may be amended by the affirmative vote of the majority of the Executive Board and General Membership present, or their written proxies, at any regular or special meeting of members provided that notice of the said meeting shall include a specification of the proposed amendment(s).

**Section 2:** Proposed changes in the By-Laws will be submitted, in writing, to the By-Laws Committee Chair. All amendments to the By-Laws must be completed and voted on prior to the start of the season.

**Section 3:** Reading of amendments to the By-Laws must take place at two (2) consecutive monthly Executive Board and General Membership Meetings. By-Laws will be voted on after the second reading.

**Section 4:** These By-Laws will be available in the concession stand.

## **Article 13: Dissolution**



*In the event of the dissolution of the Wyandotte Indians Association, the remaining funds and equipment shall be retained for a period of one (1) year, after which time, if no interested parties reform the Association, will be turned over to the Department of Parks and Recreation of the city of Wyandotte.*

**Article 14: Executive Board and General Membership Meeting**

**Section 1:** *The order of business at the monthly meeting shall be as follows:*

- *Roll Call of Executive Board Members*
- *Reading and approval of the minutes from the last meeting*
- *Reports from: President, Treasurer, All Others*
- *Transaction of unfinished and new business*
- *Adjournment*

*However the presiding officer may vary the order of business at his/her discretion, in the absence of any objection.*

**Section 2:** *No report can be tabled more than thirty (30) days.*

**Article 15: Elections**

**Section 1:** *The annual election meeting of the Executive Board with the General Membership shall be held in the month of November at such place within the city of Wyandotte as the Executive Board may direct. Purpose of the said meeting shall be the election of persons for the offices of the Executive Board for the up-coming year.*

**Section 2:** *A member must attend at least two (2) general membership meetings within the calendar year, and be in good standing, to be nominated for any executive board position, unless executive board makes an exception. The November meeting shall be included as one of the two meetings.*

**Section 3:** *Notice of the election will be disbursed in the weekly newsletter during the season to the General Membership informing them of the date and the annual election meeting.*

**Section 4:** *It is the Secretary's sole responsibility to maintain a list of members who are eligible to vote. Shall maintain written proxy voted.*

**Section 5:** *Prior to the balloting, the President will appoint three (3) members as judges of the election who shall count the ballots and inform the President of the results of the election and the President, in turn, shall announce the results to the members assembled.*

**Section 6:** *Any Executive Board Position that is not filled through the process of the election or becomes vacant through the fiscal year may be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board.*

**Section 7:** *After the close of the October meeting nominations shall remain closed. Only positions with no nominees may reopen at the November meeting.*

**Article 16: Coaches**

**Section 1:** *Coaches are volunteers that teach our players/cheerleaders within the rules of this franchise and the Downriver Junior Football League. Seniority will be considered in filling head coach positions; Interviews may be conducted at the discretion of the Executive Board. All coaches must have at least three (3) years' experience before becoming a head coach, whenever possible.*

- *All head coaches need to attend at least (3) monthly Executive Board and General Membership meetings per calendar year. Failure to do so will result in possible removal from the position.*
- *Seniority is broken after quitting for a period of one week.*

**Section 2:** *To maintain seniority due to extenuating circumstances, a request for a leave of absence for a period of one year must be submitted and approved by the Executive Board.*

**Section 3:** *Head coaches shall not hold a presidential, athletic director or cheer director position in the same fiscal year, unless Executive Board makes an exception. They also should be an adult veteran member of our staff, whenever possible.*

- *He/she shall be responsible for all their assistants, players, water boys/mascots and team activities.*
- *He/she is responsible for being in the attendance of the issue and return of all his/her team uniforms; protective equipment used by this franchise, and the health and safety of his/her players.*
- *Parents and children on the same team are left up to the discretion of the head coach.*
- *A head coach has the final decision on the offensive/defensive coaches and players to be used in those positions.*
- *All practices will be help in compliance with the schedule.*
- *Upon completion of the season, the head coach in charge of each squad has the option to return to that position for the next season. Head coaches must advise the Athletic Director of their decision for the upcoming season, by way of a letter of intent, at the January coaches meeting.*
- *He/she shall assign an agent or coach to determine and insure that the player participation rules are enforced and abided by.*
- *He/she shall be responsible for choosing staff for their squad.*

*The above, whenever possible, pertains to cheerleading as well.*

#### *Section 4*

**Section 4:** *A Junior Coach is a person that acts in a similar role as other assistant coach. A Junior Coach shall be seventeen (17) years or younger. A Junior Coach shall complete a junior coach's contract and have a doctor's physical. Junior coaches do not have to be an active cheerleader at the high school if they have gone through the Wyandotte Indians Program.*

- *They will help the head and assistant coach.*
- *They will help with the supervision of stunts and with the supervision that all jewelry is off, to comply with the Downriver Junior Football League Rules.*
- *They will help in making up a cheer and dance for competition.*

- They will follow all rules and regulation according to Wyandotte Indians By-Laws and the Downriver Junior Football League.
- They shall be two years older than the age group they are coaching.

### **Article 17: Coaches Rules and Discipline**

**Section 1:** We coach boys/girls in compliance with League rules.

**Section 2:** Be aware of all rules in our League; sportsmanship is stressed.

**Section 3:** Always see that your players are active; be sure they understand what you expect from them.

**Section 4:** No abusive language.

**Section 5:** We teach hard-hitting football, not dirty football.

**Section 6:** Absolute respect for the Referees and their calls

**Section 7:** Never manhandle a player, although discipline must be maintained.

**Section 8:** Always know where a player is that misses practice. This protects you and the player.

**Section 9:** Never argue with another coach in front of your players. Settle differences away from the fields.

**Section 10:** Disciplinary Action:

1. **Upon first offence of a coach's conduct, the Athletic Director, President and League Director and Cheer Director (if applicable) will meet with the coach to discuss the problem. **Disciplinary action: none; offense must be documented by the Athletic Director including coach's name, date, time and detail of what was discussed and a copy given to the Secretary.****
2. **Upon second offence of a coach's conduct, the Athletic Director, President and League Director and Cheer Director (if applicable) shall meet with the offending coach to discuss the problem. **Disciplinary action: At the discretion of the Athletic Director, President and League Director. Documented with the Secretary with the coach's name, date, time and detail of what was discussed.****
3. **Upon third offense of the offending coach's conduct, the Executive Board shall meet with the offending coach to discuss the problem. **Disciplinary action: At the discretion of the Executive Board. May be suspended for a period of time or may be permanently removed from all coaching duties involving this Association. Documented with the Recording Secretary with the coaches name, date, time and detail of what was discussed****
4. Violation of coaches' rules at practice is subject to the above disciplinary actions.

**Section 12:** In the event of poor sportsmanship by a coach during a practice or game, the President, Athletic Director and League Rep has the right to remove them from the field.

### **Article 18: Players and Cheerleaders**

**Section 1:** According to the Wyandotte Indians By-Laws, football players and cheerleaders are youngsters ages 8-13, who pay their registration fee to learn and participate in the Wyandotte Indians Association program.

1. Each football squad will have a maximum of 40 players without approval of the Executive Board; any others will be placed on a waiting list until there is space available.
2. Cheerleading squads will have a maximum of 20 per squad without approval of the Executive Board; any others will be placed on a waiting list until there is space available.

**Section 2. Physical Examination (League Rule #3):** Each player, cheerleader, junior coach, water boy, and mascot must have a Certificate of Good Health signed by a licensed physician, or a licensed medical practitioner who performs the physical examination and countersigned by their parent and/or legal guardian prior to any practice. These shall be on file with the member organization and open for inspection at all times.

**Section 3 Practice and Game rules:** The following set of rules have been set down by the coaches for discipline of players/cheerleaders that make repeated disruption of our practice or game session: or repeated interference with the boys/girls that truly want to learn and have a good time with the team.

1. Two missed practices without a note is an automatic benching of any player for a minimum of a half game.
2. Two missed practices with a note will be up to the discretion of that particular Head Coach.
3. Four weeks prior to cheer competition if you are missing 5 or more unexcused practices or games will result in a benching during competition at the discretion of the head coach.

**Section 4 Violation of the following rules will result in benching for a minimum of a half game:**

- Talking back to any coach.
- Unnecessary talking during a practice or games.
- Fooling around or roughhousing before, during, or after practice or games.
- Improper uniform (what we issue), cutting the mouthpiece, or not wearing an athletic supporter/cup.
- All players and cheerleaders must present a statement from physician when out for seven(7) calendar days for an injury on or off the field. **Refer to Article 9, Section 2**

**Section 5 Waterboy/Mascot:** Must be a minimum of 6 years of age in accordance with the date of League ages. Must complete all registration forms. A physical is required. The head coach will be responsible for choosing waterboys/mascots he/she would like on their team, if any at all. A deposit will be required of any equipment or uniform that is handed out by the association.

**Section 6:** All mascots/waterboys will retain veteran status upon registering for football/cheerleading the following year.

**Section 7:** Players, cheerleaders, waterboys and mascots are required to participate in one (1) mandatory fundraiser. Failure to comply by equipment/uniform handouts will result in not receiving equipment/uniform and in benching until they comply with the mandatory fundraiser. Late sign-ups may be given a grace period.

**Article 19: Awards**

*Any team trophies or awards remain the property of the Wyandotte Indians Association*

**Article 20**

*The Wyandotte Indians Association shall be governed by these By-Laws and the rules of whichever Leagues we are affiliated with.*

**Article 21: Parliamentary Authority**

*The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts Rule of Order shall govern the association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws and any special rules of order the association may adopt.*

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