

AHOF ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, January 8th @ 6:30 p.m.
Meeting in the ACHS Media Center

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

A. The AHoF Committee was called to order by the Chair Mark E. at 6:35

B. Roll Call (**bolded names were in attendance**)

Mark Eisenhower	Ian Lewis remote	Lesa Diggs Moore	Felix Trammell
Mark Farkas remote	Jim Lewis	Joe Pisciotta	Bob Trout remote
AK Johnson	Clark Mercer	Tracey Roberson	
Kamilah Lawson	Wayne Sanders	Danielle Thorne	

Quorum: YES

II. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

A. Motion to adopt meeting agenda (Lawson) seconded (Pisciotta). Unanimous adoption.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes October 2, 2023 - D. Thorne

A. Motion to approve meeting minutes (Lawson) seconded (Farkas). Unanimous approval.

IV. Communications and Addresses to the Advisory Committee

A. Susan has received a few more nominations but no new communications

V. Old Business and Action Items

A. Welcome Back! Welcome new committee members

1. Clark Mercer welcome!
2. Hope everyone had a good break!
3. AK and Joe need to reapply to formerly be a part of the group
4. Following up with re: attendance
 - a) Roberta (Kamilah)
 - b) Ian (Joe)
 - c) Tracey (Mark E)
5. Mark E will follow up with Felix about adding a student rep
6. Updates for Committee list
 - a) Parker - title has changed
 - b) Felix - spelling of title
 - c) Danielle - address
 - d) Kamilah - affiliation (staff)
 - e) Ian - phone number
7. We can add a few more members so reach out to folks if you know someone!

B. Review Class of 2023 Induction Ceremony

1. Suggestions for 2024 ceremony
 - a) Work with Felix to check on the plaques
 - b) Thanks Bob for all your hard work with the plaques and everything else!
 - c) Look for a possible new spot for HoF plaques at MH campus
 - d) Possibly host the ceremony at MH next year?
 - e) Do a dress rehearsal/through perhaps the morning of?
 - f) Notify the press for photographers
 - g) Have a way to upload photos on the day of?
 - h) Have electronic access in person and at home? May have it at West Springfield?

- i) Green room before or after the ceremony so inductees could be interviewed by the media
- j) Have inductees arrive at 1:15 for green room and then process into the auditorium
- k) Rethink inclement weather plan

VI. New Business

A. Review Criteria/Breakdown for Inductee Selection

- 1. Overview of what has happened in the past (such as adding more athletes a few years ago due to a backlog)
- 2. We have until the end of the month for nominations for the upcoming class
- 3. Need to continue doing a good job following number 6 (gender balance among inductees)
- 4. Suggestion to make sure we have good contact information for candidates (especially pre-1965 candidates)
- 5. Suggestion to make changes to pre vs post numbers
- 6. Suggestion to look at this individually and then come back in February with any suggestions to the selection process and category composition

B. Review and update subcommittee assignments

- 1. (Pre-1965, Post-1965, Male, Female) Athletes, Teams, Coaches/Administrators/Contributors
 - a) Mark E. will send out who was on each subcommittee last year and if there needs to be any changes
- 2. Review and update timeline for Class of 2024 selection
 - a) Susan will send out all new nominations on February 1st electronically
 - b) Committee members should remove inductees from their binders
 - c) Make sure everyone understands the voting process (sending rankings to the chair of the subcommittees)
 - d) Use some of the time in February and March to review nominees during the meetings (especially ones that are new)
 - e) From now until February, try to review current applications and point out applications that seem sparse
 - f) Can we add something to the application that allows nominators to add pictures, newspaper articles, etc?

VII. Chair's Report

VIII. Announcements by Members

IX. Future Business

X. Adjournment

- A. Motion to approve adjournment (Pisciotta) seconded (Lewis). Unanimous approval at 7:39.

Next meeting date is Monday, February 5, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.