

**BOARD MEMO**

Date: April 20, 2023

For ACTION

For INFORMATION

Board Agenda: Yes

No

**FROM:** Mark Eisenhour, Chair, Athletic Hall of Fame Advisory Committee  
Aly Khan Johnson, Former Chair, Athletic Hall of Fame Advisory Committee  
Felix Trammell, Staff Liaison, AHOF Committee and Director of Athletics & Student Activities

**THROUGH:** James Parker, Executive Director of Athletics & Student Activities  
Melanie Kay-Wyatt, Ed.D., Interim Superintendent of Schools

**TO:** The Honorable Meagan L. Alderton, Chair, and  
Members of the Alexandria City School Board

**TOPIC:** 2021-2022 Athletic Hall of Fame End-of-Year Report

**ACPS 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:**

Goal 5: Family and Community Engagement

**SY 2022-2023 FOCUS AREA:**

Strategic Plan Implementation

**FY 2023 BUDGET PRIORITY:**

N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

At the conclusion of school year 2013-2014, the Alexandria City School Board approved the organization of a School Board Advisory Committee tasked to establish an Athletic Hall of Fame (AHOF) for the purpose of recognizing outstanding alumni athletes from current and former ACPS high schools. The committee developed the nomination and selection criteria to recognize athletes and held its first induction ceremony in December 2014. Since that time, the Athletic Hall of Fame Advisory Committee has held eight annual ceremonies, inducting 104 athletes, teams, coaches, and honorees as of October 8, 2022. The Athletic Hall of Fame plaques are displayed at Alexandria City High School in the hallway outside the Gerry Bertier Gymnasium.

**SUMMARY:**

On October 8, 2022, Alexandria City Public Schools inducted one of its largest groups of inductees that included two teams, one coach and 23 athletes from 1944 through 2016 from four current and former high schools in Alexandria. These inductees were selected from a large

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number of nominations received from staff, alumni, athletes, and the community-at-large and was approved by the School Board at its June 2, 2022 School Board Meeting.

The 2022 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees were honored in the Alexandria City High School auditorium, where honorees were presented with a duplicate plaque as the one hanging in the AHOF hallway located outside the Alexandria City High School's Gerry Bertier gymnasium. The event was significantly expanded in size from previous years, as the AHOF Committee continues to receive a significant number of deserving nominations annually and the Committee felt it was important to get a significant number recognized. This was the largest class of inductees and the attendance at the event was over 300 people.

The 2022 Inductees into the ACPS Athletic Hall of Fame are:

### **Athletes:**

**Fred Borchelt**—Crew, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1972  
**Yolanda Brown**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1994  
**Lesa Diggs-Moore**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1981  
**Sherri Funn**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1978  
**Robert Garda**—Football, Basketball, Track; George Washington High School, Class of 1957  
**Joe Hensley**—Basketball, George Washington High School, Class of 1944  
**Kath James-Lorton**—Cheerleading, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 2000  
**John Johnson**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1973  
**Rodney Johnson**—Football, Track/Field; T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1997  
**Bobby Jones**—Track, George Washington High School, Class of 1949  
**Anne "Missy" Kilpatrick**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1991  
**Naomi Lewis Brooks**—Basketball, Parker-Gray High School, Class of 1951  
**Josephus Lyles**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 2016  
**Noah Lyles**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 2016  
**Shirley Marshall-Lee**—Scuba Diving, Parker-Gray High School, Class of 1956  
**Marie McKeon Zack**—Soccer, Field Hockey; T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1983  
**Barry Mountain**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1979  
**Stephanie O'Toole Whalen**—Field Hockey, Basketball, Softball, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1990  
**Lydell Scott**—Football, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1987  
**Carl Turner**—Football, Basketball, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1974  
**Ezra Whorley**—Track/Field, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 1992  
**Eryk Williamson**—Soccer, T.C. Williams High School, Class of 2015  
**Doug Yates**—Basketball, Track; George Washington High School, Class of 1955

### **Coaches**

**DeArcey "Dee" Campbell**—Coach, T.C. Williams Girls Crew Team 1975-2005;  
Alumnus, George Washington High School, Class of 1944

### **Teams**

**1945 George Washington High School Basketball Team**  
**1977 T.C. Williams High School Boys Basketball Team**

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The Committee continues to solicit nominations from the Alexandria community and accepts nominations through the [ACPS Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Form](#) which may also be found on the [AHOF Advisory Committee webpage](#). Paper nomination forms downloaded from the committee webpage may be mailed to the Clerk of the Board, 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 610, Alexandria VA 22314.

### ATTACHMENTS:

1. October 8, 2022 Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Program
2. Full List of AHOF Nominees as of October 8, 2022

### RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the School Board accept the 2021-2022 Athletic Hall of Fame End-of-Year Report.

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