

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1: Name

The name of this organization is the Jefferson College Athletics Hall of Fame. (hereafter, Hall of Fame)

Section 2: Purpose

The purpose of the organization is to recognize those individuals and teams who, through leadership and character, have made exceptional contributions to the honor and prestige of Jefferson College in the field of athletics, and who have continued to demonstrate the values imparted through intercollegiate athletics.

ARTICLE II: CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1: Former Athletes

Section 2: Former coaches

Section 3: Former Teams

Section 4: Alumni Coaches, Contributors/Supporters, and Sports Professionals (officials, writers, photographers, and other professionals)

ARTICLE III: REQUIREMENTS FOR NOMINATION

Section 1: Former Athletes

- A. Specific Criteria:** Satisfying one or more of the specific criteria automatically allows an athlete to be considered for nomination to the Hall of Fame five (5) years after Jefferson College athletic participation. Criteria are based primarily on performance at Jefferson College.
- (1) First or second place in individual competition at the Region level.
 - (2) First or second team All-American (Academic All-American does not qualify)
 - (3) A member of the United States Olympic Team.
 - (4) A member of the various professional sports leagues and teams.
- B. General Criteria:** An athlete satisfying all of the general criteria may be nominated to the Hall of Fame. Criteria should be based primarily, but not limited to, performance at Jefferson College.

- (1) Must have been outstanding, as evidenced by such accomplishments as All-American, National Champion or qualifier, recipient of various athletic awards and honors, special team nomination (All-Conference, All –Region), school records set and statistics.
- (2) Must have exhibited acceptable standards of conduct during competition, as a student on campus and as a citizen in the community.
- (3) Graduation is preferred though not required. If the athlete did not graduate, the athlete must have ended his/her community college career at Jefferson College.
- (4) Must have been out of Jefferson College for a minimum of five (5) years.

Section 2: Former Coaches:

- A. Must have been out of Jefferson College for a minimum of five (5) years.
- B. Outstanding contribution to the Jefferson College athletic program.

Section 3: Former Teams:

- A. **Specific Criteria:** Satisfying the specific criteria automatically allows a team to be considered for nomination to the Hall of Fame following a five (5) year eligibility period.
 - (1) Participate in national competition.
- B. **General Criteria:** A team satisfying all of the general criteria may be nominated to the Hall of Fame after five (5) years eligibility.
 - (1) Must have outstanding achievements as evidenced by such accomplishments as recipient of various team awards, team honors, national rankings, school records set and statistical records recognized as national leaders.
 - (2) Must have exhibited acceptable standards of conduct both during competition and as a unit as representatives of Jefferson College.

Section 4: Alumni Coaches, Contributors/Supporters, and Sports Professionals:

- A. Outstanding performance as a coach, contributor/supporter, official, sports writer, sports photographer, or other sports professional.
- B. Achievement so outstanding as to eliminate any question as to selection.



ARTICLE IV: NUMBER OF INDUCTEES:

Section 1: Initial Induction:

- A. Up to seven (7) new members may be inducted in the first year.

Section 2: Subsequent Years' Inductions:

- A. Up to three (3) members may be inducted each year after the initial year.

Section 3: Minimum Number Mandatory:

- A. The maximum numbers are not to be interpreted as requirements, it is not mandatory that these numbers be inducted. It is not mandated that an induction must occur every year.

ARTICLE V: DISTRIBUTION OF SPORTS:

In the interest of inducting the most worthy athletes and coaches, no quota by sports is established. However, the same attention should be given to achievements in all sports, regardless of whether Jefferson College currently has an active program in that sport.

ARTICLE VI: SELECTION OF PROCEDURES:

Section 1: Nomination:

Nomination will be accepted by former players, coaches, college personnel, contributors/supporters, and sports professionals.

- A. Nominations will be made to the Director of Athletics or any member of the Hall of Fame Selection Committee.
- B. Names of Nominees will not be published.
- C. Nominations must be made in writing on the official Jefferson College Athletics Hall of Fame Nomination Form and include supporting documented evidence of the nominee's qualifying accomplishments.
- D. Nominees that are not selected as Hall of Fame inductees in their initial year of nomination will be automatically re-nominated up to two (2) additional years. Nominees that are not inducted within this three (3) year span must be officially re-nominated to be considered for selection. There is no limit to the number of times an individual not selected may be nominated.

Section 2: Access to College Records:

- A. The Jefferson College Sports Media Archives shall be available to individuals wishing to do research on nominees to the Hall of Fame.



Section 3: Voting:

- A. To be selected, nominees must receive ballot point totals greater than all other nominees and must also receive at least sixty six percent (66%) of the available ballot point total maximum. The 1st nominee selected must receive the highest ballot point total. The 2nd nominee selected must receive the 2nd highest ball ot point totals. The 3rd nominee selected must receive the 3rd highest ballot point totals. In the initial year of Hall of Fame selections seven (7) nominees selected will be chosen in accordance with this pattern, and in all subsequent years three (3) nominees will be selected in accordance with this pattern. In case more than the maximum number of inductees receives this total, a run-off vote may be conducted to reduce the number to the prescribed limit.
- B. If a nominee is chosen for induction by the Hall of Fame Selection Committee, the following steps must be followed:
1. The Hall of Fame Selection Committee will present the person(s) selected for the induction to the Director of Athletics.
 2. The Director of Athletics will inform the Dean of Student Services who will then inform the President of the college, and the President of the college will then inform the Jefferson College Board of Trustees of the name of the person(s) inducted.
 3. The inductee will be inducted during a formal ceremony.
- C. The chairperson of the Selection Committee and another member of the committee designated by the chairperson will tally the votes.

ARTICLE VII: SELECTION COMMITTEE PERSONNEL:

Section 1: Number:

The committee shall be composed of eleven (11) members, with a quorum of at least seven (7) voting members submitting ballots to conduct voting on Hall of Fame nominees.

Section 2: Composition:

The make-up of the Selection Committee shall be as follows:

College President
Dean of Student Services
Director of Athletics
Director of Jefferson College Media Services/Public Relations
Jefferson College Faculty Member
Sports Editor of the Local News Media
Sports Information Director of Local Radio Media
One Jefferson College Athletics class member from the 1970's
One Jefferson College Athletics class member from the 1980's
One Jefferson College Athletics class member from the 1990's
One Jefferson College Athletics class member from the 2000's



Section 3: Service:

Members shall serve three-year terms.

Section 4: Initial Terms:

The length of service of members of the Initial Selection Committee shall be determined by the Hall of Fame Steering Committee.

Section 5: Appointments:

The Hall of Fame Steering committee shall select members to serve on the Selection Committee.

Section 6: Transition of Class Representation:

In 2020 the representative of the 1970s will be replaced by a representative of the classes of the 2010s. In 2030 the representative of the 1980s will be replaced with a representative of the classes of the 2020s. The representation of class years on the Selection Committee will continue to move forward in accordance with this pattern.

Section 7: Committee Selection:

No member of the Selection Committee may be considered for selection into the Hall of Fame during his/her term of service on the committee; however, once selected and inducted, a Hall of Fame member is eligible to serve on the Selection Committee.

ARTICLE VIII: SELECTION AND INDUCTION SCHEDULE:

Section 1: Timetable:

The Selection Committee shall follow this timetable. Nominations open September 1. Nominations are closed effective November 1. Selection file on the nominees is assembled and copies sent to each member of the Selection Committee no later than December 1. The Committee will meet and choose the inductees no later than February 1.

Section 2: Induction:

The induction ceremony will be held during the Athletic Banquet during the month of April or May.

Section 3: Recognition:

Each individual and team inductee shall receive an individual plaque. In addition, there shall be a plaque displayed in the Hall of Fame and, when appropriate, a team photo.

Section 4: Location:

The Hall of Fame will be located in the lobby of the Jefferson College Field House.



Section 4: Budget:

The cost of plaques will be a line item under Athletic Directors budget.

ARTICLE IX: CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:

Section 1: Approval:

By a 2/3-majority vote, the Steering Committee shall approve the Constitution and By-Laws of the Jefferson College Athletics Hall of Fame. The Committee Chairperson shall then present the document to the Dean of Students and the President of the college.

Section 2: Changes:

Proposed changes in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Athletics Hall of Fame must be submitted to the Steering Committee. Amendments will follow the procedure outlined for the initial approval of the document.

ARTICLE X: STEERING COMMITTEE:

Section 1: Initial Steering Committee:

The initial Steering Committee shall be the Athletics Hall of Fame Subcommittee of the Selection Committee.

Section 2: Composition:

The Steering Committee shall consist of six (6) members as follows:

The Director of Athletics

The Director of Public Relations and Marketing

A former coach of the Jefferson College Athletic Department

A former Director of Athletics of the Jefferson College Athletic Department

The Foundation Director

A Jefferson College Faculty member

Section 3: Duties:

With the approval of the Dean of Students and the President, the Steering Committee shall select and order plaques for the Hall of Fame and determine Selection Committee.

Section 4: Term of Office:

The term of office of members of the Steering Committee shall be three years on a rotating basis. Non-permanent members may serve more than one term in accordance with the wishes of the organizations and individuals they represent.

Chairperson, Athletics Hall of Fame Steering Committee

President, Jefferson College

Approval Date:

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