

## Georgia School for the Deaf Alumni Association

### Hall of Fame Guidelines

#### Hall of Fame (HOF)

#### **Name and Operation**

The name of this sub-organization of the GSDAA shall be the Georgia School for the Deaf Hall of Fame.

There shall be a committee consisted of GSDAA members in good standing.

#### **Purpose and Intention**

The vision of the GSD Hall of Fame shall be to appropriately honor former students of the Georgia School for the Deaf, who have been exceptional athletes or a contributor to an athletic program. An induction shall consist of a public recognition of the athlete with a plaque and/or certificates presented. The inductee's name shall be placed in a permanent file with all inductees names. A copy of this record shall be kept by the HOF chairperson and the secretary of GSDAA.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

Nominees and candidates for induction must have been enrolled students at the Georgia School for the Deaf for, at least, one full year.

In sports, there shall be a "retirement" period of seven (7) years before an athlete may be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Only in the event of a death or impending demise may there be an exception of this rule.

#### **Nominating Procedure**

All nominees' names shall be submitted to the HOF committee for consideration. The name shall be submitted along with a photograph, a resume, and a brief biography. Additional photographs and/or information may be requested by the committee for further consideration, better information, or for preservation.

All nominated candidates' names, (not selected), shall be kept in permanent file for future consideration.

### **Chairperson and Committee Responsibilities**

Committee will be responsible for hearing/reading nominees, resumes, biographies, discussions, and selection of inductees. Members may present supportive information on behalf of nominees at called sessions, if any is needed. Voting of HOF inductees will be held discreetly during a closed session held by the committee, with only the committee present. Committee members shall be appointed by the HOF chairperson.

Chairperson will be responsible for communicating with the GSDAA Board for monetary needs, follow-up reports, and such.

Chairperson will be responsible to turn in a finalized financial report, **no later than thirty days** after the event; receipts should be enclosed with the report.

As according to GSDAA By-Laws, HOF has its own fund, thus will manage its own fund, as long as all treasury needs/rules are followed. (Turning in receipts, turning in finalized report after event, and such.)

HOF will continue as long as monetary and general support of the Association members allow.

### **Special Recognitions**

Beginning in 2011, any deaf, hard of hearing, or hearing employees, or special friends, of the Georgia School for the Deaf who deserve special recognition (academically or athletically) by the GSDAA shall receive the "Distinguished Service Award" and/or a "Humanitarian Award."