GUIDELINES FOR SELECTION

Athletes will become eligible for consideration eight years after they have completed their eligibility, and have graduated from ODU or any accredited school with a bachelor's degree. Exceptions for athletes who have left the university prior to their class graduation date and were in good standing pursuant to ODU and NCAA academic requirements, may be made with prior approval from the athletic director and a 2/3rds majority vote of the committee. These athletes will become eligible eight years after their normal class graduation date. The ODU Athletic Communications Office is responsible for compiling the candidates eligibility lists along with a list of their athletic and academic achievements.

Once a candidate becomes eligible for consideration, he/she will be placed on a current list for four years, and subsequently moved to an Active list for five years, and an Old Timers list for five years.

Coaches and administrators, once they retire or have left their service from Old Dominion University and if passed by a 2/3rds majority vote of the committee, will be eligible and placed on the "Coaches & Administrators" list five years after they left the university. They will stay on this list for 10 years unless removed by a 2/3rds majority vote of the committee.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Committee members must be present at meeting to vote. No more than four candidates will be selected for induction in any one year, but fewer selections can also be made if the committee sees fit.

The screening committee shall review the nominations and forward the names of individuals most deserving of consideration to the "selection committee" who will meet and select the inductees for the ODU Sports Hall.

Each Sports Hall of Fame committee member can nominate one candidate for induction from each of the three levels. Duplicate nominations of the same candidate are permitted.

The four candidates receiving the highest point total will be selected for induction. The candidate must also receive a majority of committee member votes. In case of an even number of committee members, 50 percent of the votes will constitute a majority.

If additional ballots are to be taken to resolve tie votes or other issues, it must be voted on and approved by the committee.

Candidates will be selected from the following:

Level 1 – Two to three candidates to be chosen from this level yearly.

New Candidates/ recent candidates list have to wait 8 years after their final year at ODU to be eligible for candidacy. Candidates remain at this level for four years.

Level 2- One to two candidates to be chosen from this level yearly.

The Intermediate candidates List, remain at this level for five years. This would equate to 17 years post ODU career.

Level 3 (formerly Old Timers)- one candidate.

Candidates remain at this level for 5 years. This would equate to 22 years post ODU career, and then would be cycled off (dropped) from the HOF candidates list unless brought back on with some type of special consideration letter/nomination.

Level 4 (Coaches/Administrators)- Optional

Eligible once they retire or have left their service from Old Dominion University after five years. They will stay on this list for 10 years unless removed by a 2/3rds majority vote of the committee. A selection from this level will take one spot from the top three levels above.