

ARTICLES
of the
MAYVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

I. PURPOSE

The intent and purpose of the Mayville State University Athletic Hall of Fame is to honor and preserve the memory of those athletes, teams, coaches, and others who have contributed in a very outstanding and positive way to the promotion of the Mayville State University athletic programs.

It is not the intent of the founders of the Mayville State University Athletic Hall of Fame that this forum shall be used for any political purpose whatsoever.

II. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall oversee the overall operation of the Mayville State University Athletic Hall of Fame.

The Executive Committee shall meet one time each year to ensure that there is an adequate pool of nominees for the Selection Committee to work with, and to review the make-up of the Selection Committee.

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following individuals:

1. MSU Foundation Office Designee (ex-officio, non-voting)
2. MSU Director of Intercollegiate Athletics
3. A Member of the Comet Athletic Club
4. A Member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors
5. A Representative of Mayville State University Athletic Alumni

II. SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee shall be composed of the following individuals:

1. President of the University (ex-officio, non-voting)
 2. MSU Foundation Office Designee (ex-officio, non-voting)
 3. Director of Intercollegiate Athletics
 4. A Member of the Comet Athletic Club
 5. A Member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors
 6. Alumni Athletes Representing Various Decades
- A. The Alumni Athletes on the Selection Committee shall be appointed, one male and one female from each decade within the last seven decades of the present year. Each decade shall be considered from the even numbered year beginning of the decade (i.e. 1940, 1950, 1960, etc.) and shall end with the odd numbered year of the decade (i.e. 1949, 1959, 1969, etc.).

- B. The term of service of the individual listed one through three shall be concurrent with their titles.
- C. The term of service of the individuals listed under numbers four through six shall be three-year terms with the exception of the first two alumni decade representatives who shall serve an initial one-year term; the third and fourth decade representatives shall serve two-year terms. Their replacements shall be appointed to three-year terms by the Executive Committee.
- D. The Selection Committee shall meet at least once a year. The Selection Committee shall be chaired by the MSU Foundation Office Designee, or in the event of the chairperson's absence, his/her appointed designee from the Committee. This meeting shall take place some time between June 1 and June 15 each year.

III. SELECTION PROCESS

- A. Nominations for the Mayville State University Athletic Hall of Fame shall be presented in writing to the Selection Committee by any interested person at any time. The records of nominees shall be kept by the chairperson of the Selection Committee from year to year.
- B. The following categories for Hall of Fame nominees shall be viable for men and women:
 - 1. Athlete – Person who participated in a sport at MSU
 - 2. Coach – Person who coached a sport at MSU
 - 3. Athletic Staff – Person who was a member of the staff of an MSU sport, trainer, equipment manager, or team manager
 - 4. Team – Group of athletes who participated together as representatives of MSU
An athletic team shall be eligible for induction as one inductee. The induction of a team shall not prohibit the separate induction of one or more of its members. If the team is inducted, the Executive Committee shall select the representative to accept the award.
 - 5. Honorary – A person who has supported and contributed to Mayville State Athletics in ways other than those described in the Athlete, Coach, Athletic Staff, or Team categories. Individuals who were not necessarily athletes at Mayville State, but who have had a distinguished career in athletics will be considered for induction in the “Honorary” category.
- C. Nominees shall be asked to provide a resume' and information attesting to athletic career at Mayville State. The resume' and information must be received by June 1 in order to be considered for induction at homecoming in that same year. Information received after June 1 will be held over for consideration in the following year.
- D. It need not be a requirement that a nominee from each representative category be selected.
- E. A ranking point evaluation system is used to decide the selection of a nominee. (first place=10 points, second place=9 points, tenth place=1 point)

- F. For the first year, a minimum of five and a maximum of eight inductees will be inducted. Thereafter, a maximum of 5 inductees will be inducted. This would include no more than 4 individuals and 1 team.
- G. Nominees not selected for induction in the year of nomination will remain in an active pool for three years. After three years of non-selection, the nominations will be moved to an inactive status. The nomination must be re-submitted to the Selection Committee in order to be moved back to active status.

IV. NOMINEE QUALIFICATIONS

- A. If a nominee was an athlete, the nominee must have graduated or left school ten or more years prior.
- B. If an athlete, the nominee must have earned two letters in one sport or one letter in two or more sports.
- C. The records of the nominee(s) considered should be so outstanding that there would be little question as to the qualifications necessary for induction.
- D. Consideration will be given for personal conduct in sports and personal contributions to the ideal of sports.
- E. Criteria and qualifications will be based primarily upon the nominee's participation while attending or serving Mayville State University. However, accomplishments after leaving the University may be an important point of consideration.

V. INDUCTION

- A. A Mayville State University Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony shall be held annually with the leadership responsibility resting with the Alumni Association and the MSU Athletic Department.
- B. Inductees shall attend an induction ceremony unless their presence has been waived by the Selection Committee and proxies selected to receive their awards. All inductees who are deceased or incapacitated shall be represented by individuals chosen by the Selection Committee.
- C. Responsibility for a continuity of the Induction Ceremony shall rest with the Alumni Association and the MSU Athletic Department.
- D. Promotion of the Induction Ceremony shall be the responsibility of the Alumni Association and the MSU Athletic Department.
- E. The Alumni Association and the MSU Athletic Department shall be responsible for all ceremony arrangements, including reservations, etc.
- F. It is the intention of the founders that the induction ceremony be as self-supporting as possible.

G. The Induction Ceremony shall be held annually during MSU's Homecoming ceremonies.

VI. AWARDS

A. A photograph and citation outlining the accomplishments of the person named to the Hall of Fame will be displayed in an appropriate place on campus.

B. A memento (personal), such as a plaque, shall be given to inductees. (Budget and timelines shall dictate the type of memento.)

C. Inductees of the Hall of Fame shall be recognized at the Homecoming game.

VII. AMENDMENTS OF ARTICLES

These articles may be amended only by a two-thirds majority vote of the Executive Committee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

The undersigned, being all the members of the Executive Committee, do hereby adopt the Articles of the Mayville State University Athletic Hall of Fame, executed this eleventh day of April, 2007.

MSU Foundation Office Designee

MSU Alumni Association Board Member

MSU Director of Intercollegiate Athletics

MSU Athletic Alumni Representative

Comet Athletic Club Member

**Amended April 11, 2007*