

**WILSON SPORTS HALL OF FAME  
FOUNDATION BY-LAWS  
Approved April 15, 2009**

**Article I: Name**

The name of this organization is the Wilson School District (West Lawn, Pa.) Sports Hall of Fame Foundation (the "Wilson Athletic Hall of Fame").

**Article II: Purpose**

The purpose of the Wilson Hall of Fame is to record, honor, and preserve outstanding athletic achievements by Wilson High School and Sinking High School graduates which achievements were accomplished while the graduates were students in either of the two schools. Coaches, administrators and persons from the community who have made significant contributions to the Wilson athletic program are also eligible for induction into the Wilson Hall of Fame. The purpose is also to honor graduating athletes through scholarships based on academic and athletic excellence, character, and financial need.

**Article III: Inductees**

Section 1

Inductees shall be selected annually through a vote by the membership, which includes all past inductees and school representatives. The number and names of candidates nominated for induction each year shall be determined by a vote of those present at a general membership meeting described below.

Section 2

Candidates for induction include: Student-athletes who graduated from Wilson or Sinking Spring High Schools ten or more years prior to their induction, coaches who have coached at Wilson or Sinking Spring High Schools for ten or more years, and administrators or other persons who have served the athletic program in an extraordinary manner for ten or more years. Coaches who have coached for at least thirty years at Wilson or Sinking Spring High Schools are automatic inductees after their thirtieth year.

Section 3

- The process for nominating candidates for induction is:
- A. Nominees are received for consideration at the annual spring meeting of the membership of the Wilson Hall of Fame.
  - B. Nominees may be submitted by anyone interested in having a name placed on the ballot.

C. For a nomination to be considered, it must include a biographical background of the individual, emphasizing the candidates high school athletic career.

D. The members present at the annual meeting will determine by vote the number and the names of candidates whose names will be placed on the ballot for that year.

#### Section 4

Voting members are all living former inductees and current school district representatives.

#### Section 5

A list of nominees and their biographical record of accomplishments shall be mailed to all voting members (at their last-known address), who will be asked to vote for the number of candidates to be selected that year. Ballots will be returned by a predetermined date to a person designated at the annual meeting. The candidates who receive the highest number of votes will be inducted into the Wilson Hall of Fame as follows:

A. Up to five candidates are to be inducted in a year, the five nominees with the highest votes shall be the inductees.

B. If the voting results in a tie for the last spot, all such tied candidates shall be inducted.

#### Section 6:

An Old-Timers committee may recommend athletes graduating over forty years ago.

### **Article IV: Officers and Committees**

#### Section 1

The executive committee consists of the officers, committee chairs and school district representatives.

#### Section 2

The officers shall be inducted members of the Wilson Hall of Fame or a school district representative and shall consist of a president, a vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer. The officers shall be selected for a two-year term at the annual spring meeting beginning in 2009.

#### Section 3

School district representatives shall consist of the current Superintendent of Schools, the current high school principal, the current athletic director and a current school board member.

#### Section 4

The president shall select committee chairs and their membership in his or her discretion. The following committees shall be standing committees: The golf tournament committee, the nomination committee, and other committees deemed necessary from time to time by the executive committee.

### **Article V: Finances**

#### Section 1

Checking or savings accounts for the Wilson Hall of Fame shall be established at a local bank as and when determined to be necessary by the executive committee. All accounts shall require the signatures of both the treasurer and the athletic director. A financial statement and report shall be provided at the annual membership meeting in April and as called for by the president. Every two years, beginning in 2009, three members of the executive committee shall audit all finances of the Wilson Hall of Fame.

#### Section 2

Funds shall be raised primarily through an annual event (presently a golf tournament), the proceeds from which shall be used (a) for a scholarship fund, (b) to pay for inductees' plaques, (c) for the costs of the induction ceremony, and (d) for championship pennants and their updates in the gym. Payment of other expenses must be specifically approved by the executive committee.

### **Article VI: Amending By-Laws**

#### Section 1

By-Laws may be amended by the membership at the annual meeting in April.