NOMINATION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES FOR INDUCTION INTO THE OKLAHOMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

ANYONE CAN NOMINATE SOMEONE FOR INDUCTION INTO THE OKLAHOMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME. THE BASIC CRITERIA FOR BEING ACCEPTED AS A NOMINEE ARE <u>ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN SPORTS</u> AND <u>INDENTIFICATION WITH THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA</u>. A NOMINEE OF ANY CATEGORY MUST BE RETIRED FROM HIS/HER SPORT OR AFFILIATION FOR AT LEAST FIVE YEARS OR BE FIFTY YEARS OF AGE BY THE TIME OF NOMINATION.

NOMINATIONS ARE REVIEWED ANNUALLY BY THE OKLAHOMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME HONORS COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE WHO WILL BE ADDED TO THE LIST OF QUALIFYING NOMINEES.

NOMINEE SUBMISSIONS ARE CONSIDERED TO HAVE A "ROLLING DEADLINE." YOU CAN SUBMIT ANYTIME AND IF IT IS TOO LATE FOR THE CURRENT INDUCTION PERIOD, THEY CAN BE ROLLED FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

NOMINATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY LETTER WITH SUPPORTING MATERIAL (BIO, ACHIEVEMENTS, ETC.) AND MAY BE MAILED TO:

OKLAHOMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME 20 SOUTH MICKEY MANTLE DRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA 73104

THE HONORS COMMITTEE MEETS ANNUALLY IN OCTOBER TO SELECT ONE OR TWO "OLD TIMERS" FOR INDUCTION INTO THE OKLAHOMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME. THESE ARE GREAT ATHLETES FROM PAST YEARS WHO NO LONGER HAVE THE NAME RECOGNITION TO BE SELECTED BY THE GENERAL VOTING PROCEDURE. ONE INDUCTEE MUST BE INDUCTED POSTHUMOUSLY.

NARROWING DOWN A LIST OF APPROXIMATELY 150 NOMINEES, THE COMMITTEE ALSO SELECTS A BALLOT OF 20 NAMES (NUMBER OF NAMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE ANNUALLY BASED ON NOMINEES RECEIVED) TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS. THE VOTERS INCLUDE: MEMBERS OF THE JIM THORPE ASSOCIATION AND OKLAHOMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME, OKLAHOMA NEWS AND MEDIA OUTLETS, FORMER NFL AND MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYERS AND OTHER SPORTS PERSONALITIES. THE VOTERS DETERMINE TWO OF EACH YEAR'S INDUCTEES.

PLEASE NOTE: SPECIAL SITUATIONS ALLOW FOR THE HONORS COMMITTEE AND THE OKLAHOMA SPORTS HALL OF FAME BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MAKE EXCEPTIONS.