

Tennessee Technological University
Minutes of the Sports Hall of Fame Committee Meeting

Date of Meeting: August 28, 2023

Time & Place: 6:30 p.m. – Eagles’ Nest, Hooper Eblen Center

2023-24 Sports Hall of Fame Committee Members:

Mark Wilson, Chairman

Ms. Leigh Ann Ray

Dr. Lance Jasitt

Dr. Julie Baker

Mr. Lamar Moore (via phone)

Dr. Jeff Roberts

Ms. Stephanie Busch Warren

Mr. Steve Smith

Dr. Bedelia Russell (proxy Shanna Rodgers)

Ally Perry

Mr. Mike Winchester

Ms. Shawn Monday Smith

Mr. Frank Omiyale

Dr. Robert Owens

Ms. Debbie Panther

Dr. Susan Wells

Mr. Jonathan Medley

Dr. Jeff Boles

Dr. Arthur Banton

Support

Mike Lehman

Amanda Thatcher

Mark Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Introductions were made and the agenda for the evening and the minutes from the Hall of Fame Committee meeting of August 31, 2022 were unanimously accepted with a friendly amendment. The approved agenda follows:

Approval of agenda

Approval of minutes of August 31, 2022, meeting

Selection of Hall of Fame Inductees for 2023

Other business

The floor was opened for members to speak on behalf of this year’s nominees. Each member present was provided two opportunities to speak about Hall of Fame nominees in advance of the first vote.

Mike Lehman and Amanda Thatcher tallied the ballots; Mark Wilson read the results.

There was a motion to induct the two nominees who received the greatest number of votes into the TTU Sports Hall of Fame. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The first two inductees into the TTU Sports Hall of Fame were:

1) **Tristan Archer (Baseball, 2010-13)**

2) **Tim Benford (Football, 2008-11)**

A motion was made to induct the third highest vote recipient. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The third inductee into the TTU Sports Hall of Fame was:

3) **Beth Underhill (Women’s Golf, 2002-06)**

A motion was made to induct the next two highest vote recipients. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The fourth and fifth inductees into the TTU Sports Hall of Fame were:

- 4) **Bruce Hatfield (Football, 1984-87)**
- 5) **M. Dianne Murphy (1969-present)**

A motion was made to cease nominations, and it was seconded and approved. Mark Wilson reminded the committee of the Hall of Fame Banquet, which constitutes the second meeting of the Hall of Fame Committee, will be held on November 3, 2023 in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Roaden University Center. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.