



Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame
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Minutes
Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame Meeting – Subcommittee Nomination East
December 12, 2023

The East Tennessee Nomination Subcommittee of the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame (“TNSHOF”) met this day at 1:00 PM CT for a meeting, with a physical location at 312 Rosa L Parks Ave, 13th Fl., Nashville, TN 37243 and hosted via WebEx with available call-in numbers. Notice being given seven (7) days prior on the TNSHOF website and Facebook page. The meeting was called to order at 1:03 PM CT by Fulmer. Roll was called and a quorum was established, with the following members present.

MEMBERS PRESENT¹

Julie Bennett
Dane Bradshaw
Scott Carter²
Phillip Fulmer
Kenny Hawkins
Chris Wampler

GUESTS PRESENT

Andi Grindley, Department of Tourist Development, Outreach Projects Coordinator
Alicia Widrig, Department of Tourist Development/Attorney & Secretary to SHOF
Brad Willis, TNSHoF, Executive Director
William Brown, Speaking on behalf of Bob Brown
Tanner Cook, Speaking on behalf of Bill Lane
Pat Kenney, Speaking on behalf of Bill Lane

AGENDA

Welcome, Fulmer

Welcome and Call to Order, to bring the committee together and make selections for the Class of 2024.

Housekeeping, Widrig

- Widrig, asked if any guests were on the call that may wish to be recognized. Several guests were present, William Brown requested to speak on behalf of Bob Brown and Pat Kenney requested to speak on behalf of Bill Lane.

¹ All members were present via telephone.

² Carter joined the call at 1:28 PM CT.

- Pursuant to T.C.A. § 8-44-108(a)(d), the determination of necessity for conducting the TNSHOF East Tennessee Nomination Subcommittee meeting electronically was read into the record and rendered as essential to determine their 2024 Induction selections to the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame.
- Approved the December 9, 2022 Minutes of the TNSHOF East Tennessee Nomination Subcommittee without a reading, as the Minutes were provided to members in advance of the meeting. Motion, by Wampler with second by Bennett. No discussion. Roll call vote.

Julie Bennett	Yes
Dane Bradshaw	Yes
Scott Carter	
Phillip Fulmer	Yes
Kenny Hawkins	Yes
Chris Wampler	Yes

Motion carries, Minutes approved.

Public Comment, Willis, Those wishing to speak on behalf of a candidate will be given five (5) minutes to address the subcommittee. This will be done alphabetically by candidate. Thrilled to have guests on the call and while this is a public meeting, Willis, requested that the subcommittee and guests refrain from disclosing the nominees in order to make special announcements for those that are selected.

1. William Brown speaking on behalf of Bob Brown, Appreciate the opportunity, thank-you for the work for TN and Athletics. Representing brother once again, hopefully had information there was an update to the history notified 2-3 weeks ago, due to work spent in Belgium, Europe selected member of their basketball hall of fame. 1 particular game score 63 points, averaged 42 points a game during 2-3 years. Major additional item that wanted to add to nomination packet. School teacher in TN. He's had an incredible life being a teacher 30-40 years.
2. Pat Kenney speaking on behalf of Bill Lane, Lane was instrumental in teaching Kenney the art of sports writing to go to a game and glean the information to paint a picture. He covered athletes, their families and had so many stories. Lane went so deep into stories and made his writing spectacular. Privilege to be around him. Know that the legacy he left behind, people remember him and want to talk about stories he wrote about them. Lane was big in helping others, through a lot of writing, wrote to coaches, estimate 2000 athletes getting into college. Big on helping others never asked sought recognition.

Willis, thank you for taking time speaking on legacy for joining today.

Review of Nominees, Willis

1. Full List of Nominees, Willis, Will go through the full list of nominees.
 - Nominees for 2024
 - Lawrence Hahn (admin.)
 - Craig Colquitt (football)
 - Jimmy Colquitt (football)
 - Bob Brown (basketball)
 - Larry Butler (football)
 - Joseph "Joe" Cash (football, basketball)(Posthumous)

- Albert Haynesworth III (football)
- Fred Doyle Human, Sr. (coach and official)
- Jimmy Hyams (media)
- Bill Lane (media)(Posthumous)
- Anthony Roberts (basketball)(Posthumous)
- Davis Tarwater (swimming)
- Elston Turner (basketball, coach)
- Chris Woodruff (tennis, coach)
- Prior Nomination,
 - Lewis A. Tippie (rifle)
 - Ben Talley (golf)
 - Pete Mills (martial arts)
 - Lon Herzbrun (coaching)
 - Cylk Cozart (baseball)
 - Mark Aycock (martial arts)
 - Charlie Bayless (high school basketball coach)
 - Chris Burke (baseball)
 - Bill Carlyle (basketball)
 - Dale Ford (baseball)
 - Fred Warren (men's golf)
 - Paul Annacone (tennis)
 - Cosey Coleman (football)
 - Tony Cosey (football)
 - Antone Davis (football)
 - Joetta Clark Diggs (track & field)
 - Shaun Ellis (football)
 - Jim Gallagher Jr. (golf)
 - Deon Grant (football)
 - Andy Kelly (football)
 - Joey Kent (football)
 - Andy Landers (basketball coach)
 - Jamal Lewis (football)
 - Leonard Little (football)
 - Doug Matthews (football play and coach)
 - Jerod Mayo (football)
 - Charles McRae (football)
 - Michael Miller (track & field)
 - Terrell Owens (football)
 - Carl Pickens (football)
 - George Samuel Pitts (basketball coach and athletics director)
 - Peerless Price (football)
 - Patricia Roberts (basketball)
 - Bobby Snyder (high school basketball coach)
 - James Stewart (football)
 - Eric Still (football)
 - Posthumous:
 1. Donnie Holbrook (drag racing)
 2. Reggie Cobb (football)
 3. Jon Jackson Huffstetler (baseball)
 4. Bill Monroe (baseball)

2. Clarification on Nomination Date/Process, Willis, Process will work by narrowing the field to as many as seven (7), with two (2) candidates being preferred nominees and the remaining five (5) being at-large that will require the entire Board to vote on their candidacy.

Those are the Nominees up for consideration for 2024. Open for discussion on any candidates that anyone wishes to speak on or move forward for further consideration.

Discussion of Nominees and Questions

- Nomination Criteria, Discussion regarding qualified candidate back-log,
 - Fulmer, In looking back through UT records, there are many qualified candidates that have not been nominated/considered.
 - Bradshaw, Back-log of great candidates would like to give greater consideration to ones tabled in the past.
 - Willis, Two (2) procedure items: 1) Next year’s class is the 60th class and the Nomination Committee is considering a larger class for the sake of celebrating and to assist with the backlog. 2) Additionally, the other halls of fame have caps, pro football is eight (8) players per year what experiencing is not an uncommon quandary to have.
 - Widrig, Since this is a persisting issue, recommend Directors present proposals with their ideas to remedy the issue and present those proposals to Willis. Willis will then include the proposals on the Agenda. The full Board can then assign the responsibility to the Nomination Committee to resolve. Willis will offer this same option during the remaining subcommittee meetings.
- Board members then went through the current and previous candidates along the biographies provided by Willis. They utilized a process whereby Members would move certain nominees forward for discussion until prepared to vote and discuss preferred versus at-large nominees.
- Carter, Regarding protocol, would like to have resolved the issue of how nominees that could fall into multiple regions be considered.
 - Widrig, recommend including that in the proposal to the Nomination committee, perhaps there is a possibility for another category and/or adding spots.

Voting Process

- Motion, Wampler, for consideration of Kelly, Landers, Brown for the 7th spot within the slat for final voting, second by members of subcommittee. No further discussion. Move to a roll call vote:

Julie Bennett	Brown
Dane Bradshaw	Kelly
Scott Carter	Kelly
Phillip Fulmer	Kelly
Kenny Hawkins	Brown
Chris Wampler	Kelly

Motion carries for Kelly.

- Motion, Bennett, nomination of East TN slate, preferred/automatic candidates: 1) Warren and 2) Bayless (Posthumous), as At-large candidates: 1) Burke, 2) Cobb (Posthumous),

3) Annacone, 4) Turner, and 5) Kelly with second by Bradshaw. No further discussion.
Move to a roll call vote:

Julie Bennett	Yes
Dane Bradshaw	Yes
Scott Carter	Yes
Phillip Fulmer	Yes
Kenny Hawkins	Yes
Chris Wampler	Yes

Motion carries, Slate approved for full board presentation.

Review date for Full Board Meeting, Willis. The date for the full board meeting is to be determined but likely the first full week of January 2023.

Closing Remarks, Fulmer, Thank you to Willis for leadership. Look forward to Middle and West discussion of the process. Motion, Fulmer, as no further business motion to adjourn the meeting with second from Wampler. No further discussion, roll call vote:

Julie Bennett	Yes
Dane Bradshaw	Yes
Scott Carter	Yes
Phillip Fulmer	Yes
Kenny Hawkins	Yes
Chris Wampler	Yes

Motion carries, meeting adjourned at 3:11 PM CT.

Approved:

December 12, 2024

Date



Alicia C. B. Widrig
Attorney for the TNSHOF, acting Secretary
Department of Tourist Development

Name	Sport	TN School/Team/Hometown	Deceased
Lawrence Hahn	Admin	Boys & Girls Club of Oak Ridge	
Craig Colquitt	Football player	UT	
Jimmy Colquitt	Football player	UT	
Bob Brown	Basketball player	ETSU	
Larry Butler	Football player	Science Hill HS	
Joseph "Joe" Cash	Football & basketball player	Marion County HS	2015
Albert Haynesworth III	Football player	UT, Titans	
	Football, basketball, baseball and softball player coach & official	Knoxville	
Fred Doyle Human, Sr.		Knoxville	
Jimmy Hyams	Media	Knoxville	
Bill Lane	Media	Tri-Cities	2022
Anthony Roberts	Basketball player	Chattanooga Riverside	1997
Davis Tarwater	Swimmer	Webb School Knoxville, Olympics	
Elston Turner	Basketball player & coach	Austin East HS, Memphis Grizzlies	
Chris Woodruff	Tennis player & coach	UT	
Lewis Tippie	Rifle		
Ben Talley	Golf	ETSU, Cason-Newman	
Pete Mills	Martial arts		
Lon Herzbrun	Football coach	Fulton HS, UT	
Cylk Cozart	Basketball player	King College	
Mark Aycock	Martial arts	Knoxville	
Charlie Bayless	Basketball coach	Happy Valley	
Chris Burke	Baseball player	UT	
Bill Carlyle	Basketball coach	Walters State, ETSU	
Dale Ford	Baseball umpire	App League	
Fred Warren	Golf coach	ETSU	
Paul Annacone	Tennis player & coach	UT	
Cosey Coleman	Football player	UT	
Tony Cosey	Track & field	Central HS, UT, Olympics	
Antone Davis	Football player	TN Military Institute, UT	
Joetta Clark Diggs	Track & field	UT, Olympics	
Shaun Ellis	Football player	UT	
Jim Gallagher, Jr.	Golf	UT	
Deon Grant	Football player	UT	
Andy Kelly	Football player	Rhea County HS, UT	
Joey Kent	Football player	UT, Titans	
Andy Landers	Basketball coach	Maryville native, Roane State	
Jamal Lewis	Football player	UT	
Leonard Little	Football player	UT	
		Vanderbilt, Montgomery Bell Academy, UT	
Doug Mathews	Football player/coach	Academy, UT	
Jerod Mayo	Football	UT	
Charles McRae	Football player	Clinton Senior HS, UT	
Michael Miller	Track & field	UT	

Terrell Owens	Football player	UT Chattanooga	
Carl Pickens	Football	UT, Titans	
		Young HS, South-Young HS,	
		Bearden HS, Science Hill HS,	
		Brentwood Academy, King	
		University	
George Samuel Pitts	Basketball coach/AD	UT	
Peerless Price	Football	UT	
Patricia Roberts	Basketball player	UT, Olympics	
Bobby Snyder	Basketball coach	Daniel Boone	
James Stewart	Football player	Morristown West HS, UT	
Eric Still	Football	Germantown HS, UT	
Donnie Holbrook	Motorsports		2012
Reggie Cobb	Football player	Central HS, UT	2019
Jon Jackson Huffstetler	Baseball player	UT, Knoxville Smokies	1973?
Bill Monroe	Baseball player	Chattanooga native	1915

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