

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE CHARLEROI AREA ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

NAME: The name of this organization shall be *The Charleroi Area Athletic Hall of Fame*.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this organization shall be to identify, recognize and honor those who have achieved noteworthy and/or distinguished accomplishments in athletics at the high school, collegiate, Olympic or professional level and who, in so doing, have contributed to the pride, honor and tradition of Charleroi Area. The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and/or scientific purposes under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

GOVERNING BODY: The governing body shall be a council, hereafter referred to as *The Committee*, composed of not more than twenty individuals committed to furthering the purpose of the organization. It shall be a goal to have at least ten members of this body.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE GOVERNING BODY: Individuals may be nominated for membership in The Committee by any member of The Committee or the community at large. New members shall be added to The Committee by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members present. The vote shall be by secret ballot. Any member who misses 50 percent of the meetings in a Committee Year shall be dropped from membership in The Committee. To allow for extenuating circumstances, upon appeal, individual applications of this provision may be cancelled by a two-third (2/3) vote of the members present. The vote shall be by secret ballot and the member facing termination, if present at the meeting, shall not vote. Further, if they are present at the voting meeting they shall count toward a quorum but shall not be included in determining two-thirds (2/3) of the members present.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: The Executive Council shall consist of the four (4) offices of, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

PRESIDENT: The President shall be elected by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at the time of the election. The election shall be by secret ballot and shall take place at the next-to-last regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee Year. The President shall preside over all meetings, shall establish committees as needed, and shall appoint all committee chairpersons. The term of office shall be two years.

VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice President shall be the Athletic Director of the Charleroi Area School District. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall preside over the meeting.

SECRETARY: The Secretary shall be appointed by the President. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings and submit them to the membership for approval at each regularly scheduled meeting. Approval shall require a simple majority of the members present. The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping the By-Laws up to date and for

publishing a new copy reflecting any and all approved additions and/or deletions. The term of office shall be two years.

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall be elected by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at the time of the election. The election shall be by secret ballot and shall take place at the next-to-last regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee Year. The Treasurer shall conduct all financial transactions of the organization, shall keep records of all transactions, shall maintain all financial accounts such as checking and savings and shall submit a report of all transactions and the status of all accounts to the membership for approval at each regularly scheduled meeting. Approval of the report shall require a simple majority of the members present. The term of office shall be two years.

Members of the executive Council shall vote on all questions and in all elections.

MEETINGS: Meetings shall be held periodically throughout the school year.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE HALL OF FAME:

ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible for the hall of Fame, an individual shall have been graduated from Charleroi Area High School for at least five (5) years and shall have participated in the high school athletic program, or, shall have been a coach in the Charleroi Area School District Athletic program for at least 10 years. Primary consideration shall be given to an individual's accomplishments while a member of the Charleroi High School athletic program, though post high school accomplishments may be considered when evaluating a nominee for induction into the Hall of Fame.

NOMINATION: Anyone may nominate an eligible individual for induction into the Hall of Fame. Nominations may be made at any time and may be discussed at any meeting. All nominations shall be initially subjected to a screening vote - a simple majority of the members present. The screening vote shall take place at the spring meeting. Those who successfully pass the screening vote shall then be considered for induction and shall be referred to as a *potential inductee*. Once an individual has been nominated, that individual's name shall be included on the annual screening ballot until inducted or removed by motion.

Induction: Induction of new members shall take place every other year. All votes on induction shall be made at a meeting of the committee. The list of potential inductees shall make up The Ballot. The members present shall then mark their ballot by ranking six (6) of the potential inductees, with the favorite being number six (6), etc. The ballots shall be collected and the votes tallied. The six individuals receiving the highest scores shall comprise that year's inductees into the Hall of Fame. No more than six (6) individuals shall be admitted to the hall of Fame in

any one year. If a tie in the voting presents more than six (6) inductees, then each voting member shall rank all nominees whose tied votes have created the excess with the favorite being number one, etc. The candidates with the lowest scores shall be selected until six inductees have been identified.

Special Inductee: A person who the executive committee felt supported the athletic program while not being an athlete or a coach.

FUNDING: The organization shall be funded by donations. The fund collected shall be used to purchase plaques, one to be presented to the inductee, one to be displayed at Charleroi Area High School. Any further use of these funds shall be directly related to the process of honoring the inductees and shall be approved by a quorum of the membership. All Checks shall require two (2) signatures. One of the signatures shall be the Treasurer. The other signature may be either the President or the Vice President. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

DISSOLUTION CLAUSE: Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the internal Revenue code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax government, for a public purpose.

AMENDMENTS: This document may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at the time of the vote. To be voted on, an amendment must have been presented to the membership for their consideration at least two (2) weeks prior to the vote.