

# MILES COLLEGE SPORTS HALL OF FAME



## Constitution

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## **Article I**

### **Name**

**Section 1.1** The name of this organization shall be Miles College Sports Hall of Fame. It shall operate as a nonprofit organization, incorporated under the laws of the State of Alabama. Based in Metropolitan Birmingham Alabama.

### **Purpose**

**Section 1.2** To perpetuate the tradition which athletics has established at Miles College. To preserve the heroic and gallant deeds of Miles College athletes, coaches, trainers, and benefactors, and to pay homage, tribute and exhibit external appreciation for our sons, daughters, brothers, and sisters.

### **Mission Statement**

**Section 1.3** To promote activities to solicit funds, and provide resources for the advancement of Miles College.

## **Article II**

### **Meeting**

**Section 1.1** The Sports Hall of Fame shall meet the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at a designated place. Members shall be notified by telephone or U. S. Mail of changes in the time, date or place.

### **Special Meetings**

**Section 1.2** Special meetings of the members may be called either by the president, the Board of Directors, or by not less than two-thirds of the members having voting rights.

### **Quorum**

**Section 1.3** The members holding at least a majority of the votes, which may be cast at any meeting, shall constitute a quorum at such meeting.

### **Proxies**

**Section 1.4** At any meeting of members, a member is entitled to vote, may vote either in person or by proxy executed in writing by the member.

## **Article III**

### **Membership**

**Section 1.1** All Miles College athletes, faculty, staff, students, alumni, benefactors, and friends shall be eligible for membership in the Miles College Sports Hall of Fame. Life and honorary membership status shall be granted by an affirmative vote of the Board of Directors and two-thirds majority vote of the members.

### **Election of Members**

**Section 1.2** Members shall be elected at the first meeting in September of each year by ballot. The Board of Directors shall appoint a nominating committee to prepare a slate of candidates for office. The ballots shall be mailed to all financial members thirty days prior to the September election date. Also, nominations may come from the floor.

### **Voting Rights**

**Section 1.3** Each member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote and must be in good financial standing.

### **Resignation**

**Section 1.4** Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the Secretary.

### **Termination of Membership**

**Section 1.5** The members, by affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members, may expel a member for cause after an appropriate hearing.

### **Dues**

**Section 1.6** Dues for membership shall be fifty dollars \$50.00 per year. Any changes are subject to a two-thirds majority vote of members voting.

## **Article IV**

### **Officers**

**Section 1.1** The officers of the Miles College Sports Hall of Fame shall be president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and such other officers as may be determined by the Board of Directors. The Board may elect or appoint such other officers as it shall deem desirable.

### **Election and Term of Officers**

**Section 1.2** The officers shall be elected by the membership for an annual term, and shall serve until their successors have been duly elected.

### **Removal**

**Section 1.3** Any officer may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the organization.

### **Vacancies**

**Section 1.4** A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

### **President**

**Section 1.5** The president shall be the principal executive officer. He shall preside at all meetings and shall be Chairman of the Board.

### **Vice President**

**Section 1.6** In the absence of the president or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the vice president shall perform the duties of the president, and shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president.

### **Treasurer**

**Section 1.7** The treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds, received and deposited, and payable to the organization. The treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duty.

### **Secretary**

**Section 1.8** The secretary shall record and publish all the minutes of the organization.

### **Executive Secretary**

**Section 1.9** The executive secretary shall be appointed by Miles College president and shall serve as liaison between the college and the organization. The executive secretary will attend meetings and shall be excluded from voting.

### **Parliamentarian**

**Section 2.0** The parliamentarian shall be thoroughly familiar with Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised Edition and the by-laws of the organization; assisting the presiding officer in maintaining proper conduct in business sessions, and assist any committee in preparation of resolutions and or amendments.

### **Board of Directors**

**Section 2.1** The Board of Directors shall be elected by the members for an annual term, and shall serve until their successors have been duly elected.

### **Article V**

#### **Fiscal Year**

**Section 1.1** The fiscal year of the Miles College Sports Hall of Fame shall be from September 1 through August 31.

### **Article VI**

#### **Amendments to by-laws**

**Section 1.1** The by-laws may be altered, amended or repealed and new by-laws may be adopted by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at the regular or special meetings.

### **Article VII**

#### **Committees**

**Section 1.1** The president appoints all committee chairpersons and creates committees as needed. There shall be three standing committees: Executive, Selection, and Finance committees.

### **Article VIII**

#### **Selection Committee**

**Section 1.1** The Selection Committee shall be appointed by the Board for the purpose of selecting nominees for the annual induction into the Sports Hall of Fame. The committee shall present a slate of candidates to the membership for voting. An induction breakfast shall be held to honor the new members by the president placing “**The Great Seal of the Miles College Sports Hall of Fame**” around their necks.

## **Article IX**

### **Selection Criteria**

**Sections 1.2** The following criteria set forth the eligibility for candidates to be nominated for membership in the Miles College Sports Hall of Fame:

1. Any male/female in any recognized form of sports competition.
2. Any male/female whose services have brought fame, honor, and recognition to Miles College.
3. For those who participated in sports, he/she must have been separated from the sport at least five years.
4. Any male/female who has brought philanthropic efforts which caused the institution to grow.
5. A person may be nominated posthumously.
6. To be considered for the Miles College Sports Hall of Fame, he/she must be nominated. Any milean or former milean may nominate someone who they believe is worthy of consideration. His/hers name plus any biographical facts available should be submitted in writing to the president of the Miles College Sports Hall of Fame. The board then passes all names to the selection committee. This process must be completed by June of each year. Once a name has been nominated, it remains in nomination forever, unless a verbal request is made to expunge it.

### **Great Seal of Miles College Sports Hall of Fame**

**Section 1.3** The Emblem of Induction shall be the medallion as sketched and attached hereto with the following specification:

The official emblem shall be struck in Bronze medal of 3 1/2" diameter and 1/16" thickness, and shall be inscribed with the words "Miles College Sports Hall of Fame" founded 1977 and shall bear a facsimile of the Golden Bear, and symbols of athletic teams at Miles College. Each medallion shall be engraved with the name of the Sport (s) or Service performed, date (s) of participation, and year of induction. Each medallion shall be suspended by silk or similar ribbon of royal purple and old gold.