

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

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Date of Meeting: September 29, 2020

Time & Place: 6:30 p.m. – President’s Conference Room, Derryberry Hall

2020-21 Sports Hall of Fame Committee Members:

Mark Wilson, Chairman	
Ms. Diane Smith (absent)	Mr. Mike Winchester
Ms. Delores Wheatley (proxy Dr. Leveda Birdwell)	Ms. Shawn Monday Smith
Dr. Julie Baker	Mr. Frank Omiyale
Mr. Ottis Phillips	Katherine Malone
Dr. Jeff Roberts	Ms. Judy Rush
Ms. Stephanie Busch Warren	Dr. Susan Wells
Mr. Steve Smith	Mr. Davis Watts (absent)
Dr. Bedelia Russell	

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 September 5, 2019, were unanimously accepted, pending friendly revisions. The approved agenda follows:

- Approval of agenda
- Approval of minutes of September 5, 2019, meeting
- Selection of Hall of Fame Inductees for 2019
- Other business

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Mr. Wilson notified the members of the committee that there would be no Sports Hall of Fame banquet this fall, which normally constitutes the second meeting of the Committee. For recognition of the inductees, they will be invited to a basketball contest this winter and will be honored with a video presentation. The inductees would be formally honored at the 2021 Sports Hall of Fame banquet, along with the 2021 inductees.

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 four nominees who received the greatest number of votes into the TTU Sports Hall of Fame. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The four inductees into the TTU Sports Hall of Fame were:

- 1) **A.J. Kirby-Jones (Baseball, 2008-10)**
- 2) **Stephanie Place (Women’s Cross Country and Track, 2005-10)**

- 3) **Thomas Squires (Football, 1985-87)**
- 4) **Borja Zarco (Men's Tennis, 2005-08)**

A motion was made to cease nominations, and it was seconded and approved. Mark Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.