

AMENDED AND RESTATED BY-LAWS
of the
OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

ARTICLE I

The association shall be known as the:
OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

Section 1- The purpose of the association is to recognize and honor former outstanding athletes who attended Old Rochester Regional High School, former Old Rochester Regional High School teams and coaches, and other individuals who have contributed significantly to Old Rochester Regional High School athletics.

Section 2- Individuals selected for induction may include Athletes, Coaches, and Significant Contributors to Old Rochester Regional High School athletics. There shall be a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of seven (7) Hall of Fame Athlete inductees per year, except for the inaugural class of inductees, which may not exceed ten (10) individual inductees. Additionally there may be one (1) inductee per year from each of the following categories: Coach, Team, and Significant Contributor.

Section 3- A Team may be selected for induction into the Hall of Fame as a unit if the team has won a championship or has otherwise shown excellence in its performance.

ARTICLE III

ORGANIZATION

Section 1- Board of Directors

The association shall be governed by a Board of Directors which shall consist of four (4) Officers and three (3) to five (5) additional Directors which collectively shall be referred to as Members of the Board of Directors. The Officers of the association shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretary. The Athletic Director of Old Rochester Regional High School shall occupy one of the Director slots on the board unless he/she is elected to serve as an Officer or declines to serve on the Board of Directors in any capacity. Persons eligible to serve on the Board of Directors shall be members of the Old Rochester Regional High School community, school district (administration, teaching and/or coaching staff), Hall of Fame, ORR Athletic Booster Club, and/or alumni.

Section 2- Voting

Members of the Board of Directors shall have one vote in matters of association business.

Section 3- Officer Terms

Officers shall be elected for a period of two (2) years, but may not serve more than six (6) years consecutively (this limitation shall not apply to the Treasurer).

Section 4- Subcommittees

Subcommittees of the Board shall include: NOMINATIONS & RESEARCH, BANQUET & AWARDS, PROGRAM & PUBLICITY, and FUNDRAISING. The Chairman shall appoint Board members to such subcommittees and may from time to time establish other subcommittees as warranted.

Section 5- Hall of Fame Advisory Committee

A Hall of Fame Advisory Committee shall be established to provide advice to the Board of Directors on association business. Members of the Hall of Fame Advisory Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall serve for a term of three (3) years. Such Advisory Committee members may be selected by the Board of Directors to subsequent terms. All individual inductees (i.e., not members of a team that has been inducted as a team) automatically shall become members of the HALL OF FAME ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS

Section 1- The fiscal year will run from July 1 to June 30. The organizational meeting will be the first meeting of the fiscal year. There shall be additional periodic meetings throughout the year, with dates to be determined by the Chairman.

Section 2- Meetings may be called by the Chairman at any time, provided written notice is sent to all members at least two (2) days prior to the designated date. Email shall be considered acceptable written notice.

Emergency meetings may be called at the written request of a minimum of three (3) members of the Board of Directors.

A majority of the Board members then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting.

Section 3- The annual induction banquet will be held on the Saturday following Old Rochester Regional High School graduation day or such other date as the Board of Directors determines.

ARTICLE V

AMENDMENTS

Section 1- These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting by a two thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the Board of Directors, provided a copy of the proposed amendments has been sent to each Board member at least two (2) days prior to such meeting.

ARTICLE VI

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Section 1- The Chairman may appoint eligible persons to the Board of Directors in the event of a vacancy, and such appointments shall be subject to approval by a majority of the Board.

Section 2- Elections of Officers shall take place at the first meeting occurring after the Induction Banquet and no later than July 31st for any officer terms that are expiring pursuant to Article III, Section 3 above or in any month as a vacancy may otherwise occur. The regular term of office shall begin at the start of the fiscal year and any officers elected in a month other than September shall serve one partial year and one full year until the end of that fiscal year. Nominations for Officers may be made by any presently-serving member of the Board in the two (2) weeks prior to the election. If more than one person is nominated for election to an Officer position, then a ballot shall be prepared by the Chairman and members of the Board shall vote on such position(s).

Section 3- An Officer or Director may be removed from office or from the Board by a two-thirds vote of the remaining members of the Board when in their judgment such action will serve the best interests of the association.

ARTICLE VII

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1- The duties of all officers shall be such as are implied by their respective titles and such as specified in these By-Laws.

Section 2- The Chairman presides over all meetings of the association and the Board of Directors. The Chairman shall have appointing authority of all subcommittees and their chairpersons and serve as an ex-officio member thereof.

Section 3- The Vice-Chairman shall assume the duties of the Chairman in his/her absence.

Section 4- The Secretary shall record and distribute minutes of meetings, maintain records of association proceedings, and perform all other duties incident to the office.

Section 5- The Treasurer shall have custody of and responsibility for all funds, financial documents, and other valuables of the association, and shall maintain complete and accurate records of all association funds, receipts and disbursements.

The Treasurer and Chairman of the Old Rochester Regional High School Athletic Hall of Fame are authorized to sign checks on behalf of the association. The Treasurer shall disburse funds only after approval of the Chairman of the Board or after majority vote of the Board of Directors.

The Treasurer shall prepare a written financial report to be presented to the Board at the first regular meeting of each year, which report shall be reviewed for approval by the Board.

ARTICLE VIII

GUIDELINES FOR INDUCTION INTO HALL OF FAME

Section 1-

Athletes eligible for induction must have attended ORRHS for at least one (1) full academic year and shall be eligible for induction ten (10) years following their departure from Old Rochester Regional High School.

Coaches shall be eligible one (1) year after leaving all varsity coaching ranks of Old Rochester Regional High School. Coaches shall not be eligible for induction until they have left the varsity coaching ranks of all sports at Old Rochester Regional High School.

Teams shall be eligible for induction ten (10) years following the season for which they are being inducted.

Significant Contributors are individuals who have significantly contributed to Old Rochester Regional High School athletics. Such individuals shall be eligible at the discretion of the Board of Directors. "Significantly contributed" means having taken any action or series of actions that (a) played a major role in any Old Rochester Regional team or teams achieving increased success and honor, (b) exhibited a high level of spirit, support, loyalty and enthusiasm for Old Rochester Regional High School athletics, or (c) brought pride and distinction to Old Rochester Regional High School athletics.

The Board of Directors retains the power to waive the threshold eligibility established above where extenuating circumstances warrant (e.g., terminal illness) by a two thirds vote of the Board of Directors upon any such motion by a Board Member.

Section 2- Athlete nominees must have competed at the varsity level. Coaching nominees must have coached for a minimum of five (5) years at Old Rochester Regional High School. Win/loss records, all stars, championships and sportsmanship awards attained will be taken into consideration, as well as contributions to the overall athletic program.

Section 3- Procedures for Voting on Nominees to the Hall of Fame (except for the inaugural class of inductees):

1. Nominations for the Old Rochester Regional Athletics Hall of Fame may be presented to the Board by any interested person by submitting a Hall of Fame Nomination form. The Nominations and Research Subcommittee may request additional information and advice from the Hall of Fame Advisory Committee on any or all nominees. All nominees shall remain in the nominee pool for a period of ten (10) years from the year of nomination, and any nominees not inducted during that period may be re-nominated thereafter.
2. The Nominations and Research Subcommittee shall then narrow down the list of Athlete nominees to not more than twenty (20) names to be brought forth to the Board for discussion at the selection meeting. A list of these nominees shall be given to Board members at least two (2) weeks prior to the selection meeting.
3. An open discussion of the nominees will take place among the Board to narrow the field to ten (10) Athlete nominees whose names will be placed on the Athlete nominee ballot and to fields of up to two (2) nominees for each of the remaining categories of Coach, Team, and Significant Contributor.
4. At least seven (7) Board members must cast votes in order for the election to be valid.
5. Board members shall vote for seven (7) of the Athlete nominees on the ballot unless they deem in their opinion that seven Athlete nominees are not worthy of induction into the ORR Athletics Hall of Fame in which case they may cast less than seven votes. When voting, board members shall be permitted to only cast a single vote for a given nominee so that they will effectively vote for seven different Athlete nominees, unless they cast less than their permitted seven votes. The Chairman will count all votes. The seven (7) highest-scoring Athlete nominees receiving a minimum of 50% of the possible votes cast shall be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Any tie votes for final induction slot(s) shall be resolved by additional discussion and a second ballot whereby each board member shall be allocated a vote for every slot remaining according to the initial vote (nominees receiving at least 50% of the possible vote in the first round up to a maximum of seven Athlete inductees.)
6. If through the initial vote process there is not a minimum of five (5) Athlete inductees, then each voting Board member shall vote for one (1) or more additional Athlete nominee(s) on their ballot (any nominee already inducted is excluded on the new ballot) according to the slots remaining to achieve five (5) Athlete inductees. The Chairman will recount all votes and the highest vote earners will earn the remaining induction slots to accomplish the five (5) Athlete inductee minimum. Any tie votes for final induction slot(s) shall be resolved by additional discussion and a second ballot whereby each board member shall be allocated a vote for every slot remaining with the highest vote earner earning induction. Additional votes shall be permitted to break any further ties.

7. After establishing the five (5) to seven (7) Athlete inductees, separate ballots may be taken for each of the categories of Coach, Team, and Significant Contributor. Board members may vote for one (1) inductee per category. The highest scoring nominee in each category receiving a minimum of 50% of the possible votes (i.e., if 7 Board members are voting, then a nominee must receive at least 4 votes) shall be inducted into the Hall of Fame with tie votes resolved through a second vote.

8. In the event of an unresolved tie, the Chairman of the Board will cast the final vote to break the tie.

9. In the event that a Board member is nominated for induction and his/her name appears on the ballot, such member may not vote for him/herself and he/she must receive a minimum of (50%) of the votes cast by the other Board members.

Section 4- Removal from Hall of Fame

The association reserves the right to remove a member from the Hall of Fame based on a 75 percent vote of the Board of Directors. Removal is a serious action only to be considered in cases of egregious conduct reflecting poorly on Old Rochester Regional High School.

Section 5- Booklet Dedication

The annual induction banquet program may be dedicated in honor of an individual who has given meritorious service to Old Rochester Regional High School. The individual selected does not have to be a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School or have necessarily contributed to the athletic program. This selection is not an induction into the Old Rochester Regional High School Athletic Hall of Fame, but rather honors an individual whose contributions to the Old Rochester Regional High School community deserve recognition. Nominations for this honor shall come from the Board, and the person shall be selected by a majority vote thereof.

ARTICLE IX

Section 1- No Compensation

Individual Board of Directors members shall not receive any compensation for their services, but may be reimbursed for any expenses they might incur in performing their Board of Directors duties.

Section 2- Dissolution Clause

In the event of dissolution, abandonment, or termination of the association, no income, contribution, or other revenue or funds of the association shall inure to the benefit of any individual or group not affiliated with the association, and any and all assets then possessed by the association, after current indebtedness has been satisfied, shall go and be delivered forthwith to the Athletic Department account in the Old Rochester Regional School District and Superintendency Union # 55, or to a not-for-profit organization that will provide financial assistance to the school's athletic programs.

These By-Laws were adopted by the OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME Board of Directors to be effective immediately. Adoption of these by-laws was recorded in the official minutes of the meeting.

Chairman: Peter Tron

Vice Chairman: Will / Will

Secretary: Scott Walsh

Treasurer: Don Dorman

Director: Steve Keat

Director: Edmund White

Director: John [unclear]

Director: Polly P. Lawrence

Director: _____

Amended and Restated By-laws adoption and effective date: December 5, 2013