

The Accounting Hall of Fame Election Procedure

The Accounting Hall of Fame (AHOF) recognizes accountants who have made renowned contributions to advancing the accountancy profession and discipline of accounting, in any of its many fields, by contributing to the development of practice and accounting thought. A nominee will have achieved a position of eminence from which the world class nature of the individual's contributions may be evaluated. Nominees from practice will be well recognized for contributions beyond specific professional organizations, and nominees from outside the US will be well recognized for contributions beyond national boundaries. An 'early contributor' category exists to recognize those whose careers date to former periods of the accountancy profession and discipline of accounting.

The AHOF Committee includes 6 voting members (elector members), and 3 nonvoting members (non-electore members), for a total of 9 individuals. Among the desired attributes of AHOF committee members are a dedication to maintaining the Hall's role in fulfilling its mission and knowledge of and interest in the profession broadly construed, both internationally and in terms of practice and academic interests.

The typical representation of electors would include a balance of past presidents of the AAA and members of the AHOF (from both academia and the professional practice community). The electors now consist of 2 AAA past presidents (non-members of AHOF, Mary Stone and Bruce Behn), 2 members of AHOF (academics with strong ties to the practice and standard setting communities, who are also Past Presidents of AAA, Mary Barth and Gary Previts), and 2 members of AHOF (practitioners, currently Olivia Kirtley and J. Michael Cook).

Non-electore members of the AHOF committee will include a representative from the senior Professional Staff of the Association (e.g., currently, Tracey Sutherland), a Liaison from the Board of Directors (currently Marc Rubin), and when available from The Ohio State University (OSU), a representative (e.g., distinguished graduate alum or faculty) from OSU (e.g., currently Brian Mittendorf).

The AHOF committee will review and assess nominations. Nominators are expected to provide supporting materials in accordance with the nomination criteria outlined on the nominations process tab.

Upon completion of the nomination process, a review of dossiers summarizing the nominee's contributions is conducted by the electors, employing a principles-based approach. Following this initial process, in depth discussions lead to a final decision by the electors.