The NATA Board of Directors has made the following decisions regarding the above:

Accepted: Report for informational purposes. (10-0) (2/8-10/93)

Directed: Jack Baynes to be informed that the Board of Directors will take special circumstances into consideration for approval of future Hall of Fame nominees presented by the Honors & Awards Committee, also that the announcements of new Hall of Fame inductees should be by March 15 (so that awards and videos can be produced) and that the President’s Challenge Award needs to be revisited. (2/8-10/93)

Approved: As inductees into the NATA Hall of Fame, Gordon Stoddard and Tim Kerin (7-0) (3/9/93)

Approved: Payment of transportation, room and board expenses for Mrs. Kerin to attend the annual meeting to accept the award on her husband’s behalf. (7-0) (3/9/93)

Approved: Honorary membership for Frank Freeman. (7-0) (3/9/93)

Approved: Glen McElroy to receive the President’s Challenge Award. (7-0) (3/9/93)

Directed: Jack Baynes to notify all nominees of their successful or unsuccessful candidacy. (3/9/93)

Agreed: that honorary membership for Mr. Grubiss and Mr. Cramer would be considered if the nomination forms are submitted in advance of the April conference call. (3/9/93)

Approved: Honorary membership for Mr. Hugh Grubiss. (8-0) (4/6/93)

Resolved: That the NATA board of directors gratefully acknowledges the PEAIS grant to create a Hall of Fame display in the lobby area to acknowledge the many contributions made by the NATA Hall of Fame. (10-0) (6/13/93)

Resolved: That the NATA board of directors supports the concept of a statue in the national office and directs the staff to investigate the cost of a statue. (10-0) (6/13/93)

Resolved: That the executive director will contact Mr. Otho Davis and inquire, that since the current Hall of Fame proposal does not include construction of the Pinky Newell library, if he requests the NATA to return his donation or if he wishes to apply the funds to the current Hall of Fame proposal. (10-0) (6/13/93)

Resolved: To change the name of the Most Distinguished Fellow Award to the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award and to establish the requirement that theses award winners have been members for 20 years. (9-0-1) (6/13/93)

Directed: Pete Canon to contact Lindsy McLean to discuss the criteria and the eligibility of nominees for the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award and to request that the board of directors take a look at the grading tool.

Resolved: To accept the nomination form recommended by the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award committee. (9-0) (10/22/93)

Directed: Pete Cation to canvass the Hall of Fame representatives for their views on the sculpture. The directors will ascertain whether their districts would contribute.

Discussed: Districts generally do not support a sculpture. Most would donate to the Hall of Fame display and/or dedication event. Costs and sponsorship from other organizations still to be determined. This will be discussed at the December meeting. (11/12/93)
Suggested: That each district have a member on the NATA 50th Anniversary Task Force, along with others such as past presidents, a History and Archives Committee rep, an Honors and Awards Committee rep, a Convention Committee rep and NATA staff person(s). (12/3/93)

Suggested: That each district should establish its own Honors and Awards Committee. Some districts already have one. (12/3/93)

Accepted: Hall of Fame Advisory Group report, which stated that the Museum Arts proposal has been accepted. (12/3/93)

Discussed: Hall of Fame items: a) Cost of the sculpture has proved prohibitive. Perhaps a separate fund-raising can be done by those committed to it; b) Districts may contribute to the display. A video of the display will be made and shown at the Awards Luncheon when the display is dedicated. A “sneak preview” reception will be held at the display for Hall of Famers and spouses and selected participants; c) Basically the display is funded. NATA will seek funds for the reception.

Directed: The board directed Pete Canon to solicit the other professional trainers societies for funds for the reception. (12/3/93)

Approved: Appointment of Arnold L. Thomas, Jane Steinberg and Clinton N. Thompson to the Distinguished Fellows Subcommittee and Scott C. Nier and Michael D. Boese to the Special Recognition Subcommittee. (12/3/93)

Approved: (On the condition that the committee approves) 1) The President's Challenge award recipient is funded to travel; 2) the recipient may be a non-physician; 3) Jack Rockwell will emcee the Hall of Fame portion of the awards program. (2/27/94)

Directed: The executive director will take the following suggestions to Bill Schmidt of Gatorade: 1) Bill Schmidt be allowed to make remarks for the Tim Kerin award; 2) the Tim Kerin award be displayed beside the sponsorship booth at the convention; 3) the Tim Kerin award be displayed in the conference room at the national headquarters during the rest of the year. (2/27/94)


Resolved: To extend Honorary Membership to: William H. Bartlett, MD, Warren F. Russell, MD, Jose R Zamorano, MD, and A. Phyllis Glenn. (10-0) (3/30/94)


Resolved: To present the President’s Challenge Award to James B. Montgomery, MD. (10-0) (3/30/94)

Noted: The chair of the Honors and Awards Committee will notify the recipients. He will let the board know as soon as this is done.

Noted: Woman athletic trainers should be represented in greater numbers, both in nominations and in awards granted.

Noted: It was noted that in the future an established protocol will have to be followed to receive approval for a new award. (5/18/94)

Resolved: To approve the Bill Chisolm Ethnic/Minority Advisory Council Professional Service Award,
including use of the NATA logo, pending positive reception by the Special Recognition Subcommittee of the Honors & Awards Committee. (10-0) (5/18/94)

Resolved: The Bill Chisolm Award will be housed in the national office. (10-0) (5/18/94)

Resolved: To approve Alfred J. Tedeschi as new chairman of the Hall of Fame Subcommittee of the Honors and Awards Committee. (10-0) (5/18/94)

Directed: Pete Carlon to convey to the Hall of Fame members that a display of all the various NATA awards next to the Hall of Fame display at the annual meeting is under consideration. (5/18/94)

Resolved: To adopt the new awards protocol submitted by the chair of the Honors and Awards Committee. (10-0) (6/14/94)

Noted: If an award is named in someone’s honor, the board does not require that it be named for a Hall of Fame member. (5/18/94)

Noted: The new chair, Fred Tedeschi, was introduced to the board. The subcommittee will be revising the nomination form for easier assessment of candidates and will take a hard look at the evaluation tool. The committee is trying to be sensitive to gender and ethnicity. (6/14/94)

Resolved: To combine the Distinguished Service to the Profession and the Distinguished Service to NATA subcommittees of Honors and Awards in one group - The Distinguished Service Award subcommittee. The current respective chairs will be co-chairs. (The board asked the subcommittee to address its award’s name to avoid confusion with the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award.) (10-0) (12/2/94)

Resolved: To delete from the Honorary Membership nomination form item #1 under criteria 6A Minimum of 15 years of service. (10-0) (12/2/94)

Noted: Recommendations include deleting item #1 under Special Consideration and reworking the opening paragraph, so that the concept of “actively engaged in athletic trainer activities” is replaced with something like “interacting with the athletic training profession.” (12/94)

Noted: Information on awards nomination and evaluation forms must be treated with strict confidentiality. (12/94)

Noted: Dwayne Turner discussed an unsuccessful effort to recruit physicians earlier this year. Team doctors will be encouraged to join at the district level. (12/94)


Resolved: To award honorary membership in the National Athletic Trainers’ Association to Stephen E. Olvey, MD. (10-0) (3/9/95)

Resolved: To present the President’s challenge award to Terry R. Tranimell, MD (10-0) (3/9/95)

Resolved: To present the Hall of Fame award to Denis F.J. Isrow, L/ATC and Gail Weldon, ATC (9-0, Dist 9 absent) (3/9/95)

Resolved: To present the Bill Chisolm award to Major P. Gladden. MD. (9-0, Dist. 9 absent) (3/9/95)
Resolved: To accept the method of special consideration presented by the Hall of Fame Subcommittee with the provision that the ad hoc committee will be representative of the membership as a whole. (10-0) (6/17/95)

Noted: The board did not favor a proposal to have the Hall of Fame criteria be 25 years as a certified athletic trainer. (6/17/95)

Noted: The board has previously agreed the President’s Challenge award may be given to a non-local recipient. Funds for a recipient’s travel are available. (6/17/95)

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Resolved: To have only the names and scoring sheets of recommended awards recipients (plus resumes for special consideration candidates) sent to the board prior to voting and to have nominees' resumes on file for reference at the national office. (10-0) (3/26/96)

Noted: An article in the NATA News will help the committee bombard members with encouragement to use the award system. Membership rosters identifying members by number of years of membership and number of years certified will be sent to district Honors and Awards chairs. A certificate will be developed to be sent to employers of awards recipients. (6/15/96)

Noted: The board suggested the committee establish liaisons with other NATA committees to help solicit more award nominations. (6/15/96)

Agreed: The board agreed to 1) include funds in next year’s budget for certificates to be sent employers of award recipients; 2) strive to put representatives from all settings on NATA committees; 3) assist the committee by identifying Presidents Challenge Award and Honorary Member candidates. (7/9/96)

Resolved: The committee should track the data for the Hall of Fame award (25 years certified vs. 25 years a member). If the concerns of the board are addressed, in the future the board may be willing to consider changing the criteria if the data shows certain groups, such as women and minorities, are not disadvantaged. (10-0) (7/9/96)

Noted: The board would consider alternatives if the length of the awards luncheon becomes a significant problem. (7/9/96)

Resolved: To accept the posthumous special consideration NATA Hall of Fame guidelines submitted by the Hall of Fame Subcommittee (attached) with the word “would” changed to “could” in #2, line 1. (10-0) (12/7/96)

Noted: The subcommittee asked the board when 25 years of membership for Hall of Fame eligibility may be changed to 25 years certified. The board emphasized women and minorities have not necessarily had the exposure and involvement for criteria on which they will be judged. Staff will
compile a list of how many women and minorities will become eligible through the year 2000. The board will review the matter at the March meeting. (12/7/96)

Resolved: To present the Bill Chisolm Award to Billy A. Hill, ATC. (Passed 10-0) (3/8/97)

Resolved: To present the President’s Challenge Award to David O. Hough, MD. (Passed 10-0) (3/8/97)

Resolved: To present the Athletic Trainer Service Award to: Steve Antonopulos, ATC, Charles Karnop, ATC, David Adams, ATC, Charles Kimmel, Jr., ATC, Jon Almquist, ATC, Lori Lebert, ATC, John Anderson, ATC, Kathleen Laquale, ATC, Kim Bissonnette, ATC, Jim Mackie, ATC, James Buriak, ATC, Julie Max, ATC, Clark Burton, ATC, Jerry May, ATC, Lorin Cartwright, ATC, Gary Nicholson, ATC, Anita Clark, ATC, Randal Oravetz, ATC, Steven Cole, ATC, Wendy Runley, ATC, David Giardina, ATC, Thomas Simmons, ATC, Steve Glickman, ATC, Clint Thompson, ATC, Robert Gray, ATC, Jerry Whetstone, ATC, Gwen Ellen Hoffman, ATC, Michael John Willets, ATC (Passed 10-0) (3/8/97)

Resolved: To present the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award to: Peter D. Carlon, ATC, Edward T. Crowley, ATC, Gary W. Lake, ATC, Kenneth F. Kladnik, ATC, Jerry L. Robertson, ATC (Passed 9-0-1 District VI abstained) (3/8/97)

Resolved: To induct Mark J. Smaha, ATC, into the NATA Hall of Fame. (Passed 10-0) (3/8/97)

Resolved: To induct Daniel A. Libera, ATC, into the NATA Hall of Fame. (Passed 10-0) (3/8/97)

Agreed: It is acceptable that some districts wish to present the NATA Athletic Trainer Service awards at the state meetings rather than the district meeting. (4/8/97)

Resolved: To accept the Hall of Fame special consideration criteria presented by the Hall of Fame subcommittee:
- The candidate must have a minimum of 30 years of service as a certified athletic trainer.
- The candidate must have received the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award or the NATA Service award.
- The candidate must have been nominated, evaluated by the Hall of Fame subcommittee and denied on two separate occasions before being considered for special consideration.
- The candidate must have a quantifiable and exemplary contribution in any area or areas. This can be put forth by the subcommittee in the form of a high point total in one area of evaluation or it can be demonstrated by the letters of recommendation, member input or ancillary group input. (Passed 9-0-1, District X absent) (6/21/97)

Noted: Chair Jack Baynes requested that board members network and identify President’s Challenge award candidates. (7/8/97)

Noted: Any member of the NATA can sponsor any other member of the NATA for the NATA awards. Directors will make sure that award nomination forms are available at district meetings. (7/8/97)

Agreed: To allow the exhibit hall to remain open during the awards luncheon on a one-year trial basis. (7/8/97)

Noted: Analysis of the Hall of Fame evaluation tool was approved. (12/5/97)

Agreed: The Professional Education Committee members will be personally recognized during the ’98 annual members meeting. (12/5/97)
Voted: To present the President’s Challenge Award to Mary Lloyd Ireland, M.D. (Passed 9-0, District IV absent) (3/31/98)

Voted: To award NATA Honorary Membership to: Rollin Mallernee, Bruce Gansneder, Gerald Detty, Kelly Cahill. (Passed 9-0, District IV absent) (3/31/98)

Voted: To present the Athletic Trainer Service Award to: Patricia Aronson, Malissa Martin, Martyn Bradley, Sally Nogle, Edwin Cantler, Eric Okasaki, David Carrier, Tony Ortiz, William Davis, Dennis Porter, Leo Dougherty, William Whitehill (Passed 9-0, District IV absent) (3/31/98)


Voted: To induct into the NATA Hall of Fame: James Booher, John Schrader, James Whitesel (Passed 9-0, District IV absent) (3/31/98)

Agreed: The Honors & Awards Committee should address special consideration criteria for the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer and other awards. (6/15/98)

Noted: Counsel indicated no inherent bias is evident in the Hall of Fame evaluation tool with regard to minorities. The special consideration route might be possible in these instances. (6/15/98)

Noted: The liaison will clarify that the board looks to the committee to refine awards procedures, evaluate candidates and forward nominations for awards, rather than making recommendations for the awards luncheon and staging. (2/7/99)

Noted: Staff will investigate award nomination form protocols. (2/8/99)

Resolved: To induct into the NATA Hall of Fame: Marjorie Albohm, Phil Hossler, Ronnie Barnes, Don Lowe, Kent Falb, Doug May, Joe Godek, Karen Toburen, Dale Googins. (Passed 9-0, District I absent) (3/2/99)

Noted: President Falb’s nomination was voted on by e-mail March 1. (Passed 10-0) (3/2/99)

Resolved: To present the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award to: Anita Clark, John R. Lopez, Benjamin P. Davidson, Julie Max, Dennis Hart, Sandy Miller, Thomas Henry Jones, Bill Prentice, James Laughnane, Wendy Runley, Robert Hugh Lester, Charles Steven Yates. (Passed 9-0, District I absent) (3/2/99)

Resolved: To present the Athletic Trainer Service award to: Mayfield Armstrong, Stuart Hunter, Everett Blackburn, Karen Manista, Sheila Curry, Jeff Monroe, Beth Deutsch, Robert Nevill, Neal Dutton, Kathy Pirog, Robert Ferguson, Roger Schipper, Chris Troyanos. (Passed 9-0, District I absent) (3/2/99)

Resolved: To award NATA Honorary Membership to Martin “Jack” Kaeufer and Michael McBrayer. (Passed 9-0, District I absent) (3/2/99)

Resolved: To present the President’s Challenge award to Frank H. Bassett, III, M.D. (Passed 9-0, District I absent) (3/2/99)

Noted: The committee requested eligibility for Hall of Fame for 2001 be changed from 25 years membership in NATA to 25 years certified. Staff will gather more information on how many members
will be affected and exactly how to put it into effect for board discussion at the February meeting.  
(12/4/99)

Noted:  The Web site Hall of Fame application will be removed around January 1 for revision.  (12/4/99)

Noted:  Review Data on 25 Years Membership versus 25 Years Certified:  Sandy Ward presented figures substantiating that a significant percentage (86%) of current candidates would be affected by this proposed change over the next five years.  It was decided the change should become effective several years out, to allow NATA plenty of time to alert the membership about the upcoming change and new requirements.  (2/12/00)

Resolved:  Effective 2003, Hall of Fame candidate eligibility will require 25 years of certification.  
(Passed 10-0-0)  (2/12/00)

Resolved:  To approve as winner of the Bill Chisolm Ethnic Diversity Advisory Council Professional Service Award:  RICK A. SHAW, ATC, CRT, CHCM  
(Passed 8-0-0, Districts I and IV absent)  (3/14/00)

Resolved:  To approve as winner of the President’s Challenge Award:  Lonnie Paulos, MD  
(Passed 8-0-0, Districts I and IV absent)  (3/14/00)

Resolved:  To approve as winners of the Athletic Trainer Service Award:  
Barry W. Deuel, ATC  Ron Meurer, MS, ATC, LAT  
Paul G. G. Miller, ATC/L  Gregory C. Behrens, MSED, L/ATC  
Jeffrey A. Will, MS, ATC  Michael L. Matheny, MS, ATC  
John W. Brautigam, ATC, MPT, MS  L. Timothy McLane, MBA, ATC/L  
Elaine Baker, ATC, SCAT  Sharon Summers, MSED, ATC  
David O. Draper, EdD, ATC  Marybeth Horodyski, EdD, ATC/L  
(Passed 8-0-0, Districts I and IV absent)  (3/14/00)

Resolved:  To approve as winners of the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer:  
Joanne Susan Silken, ATC  Gretchen A. Schlabach, PhD, ATC/L  
Jack A. Redgren, ATC, PT  Walter Smith, MED, ATC/L  
William Hughes McDonald, MA, ATC  Dennis A. Miller, MS, PT, ATC  
Glen R. Snow, MA, ATC  Steven D. Risinger, MA, ATC  
Frank Grimaldi, JR., BSED, MSED  Dan Rasoer, MST, L/ATC  
William F. Taylor, III, ATC, LAT  Kenneth L. Knight, PhD, ATC, FACSM  
(Passed 8-0-0, Districts I and IV absent)  (3/14/00)

Resolved:  To approve as inductees into the NATA Hall of Fame:  
Earlene Durrant, EdD, ATC  James B. Gallaspy, JR., ATC, LAT  
Richard L. Hoover, MA, PT  Kent C. Sibber, EdD, ATC, PT  
(Passed 8-0-0, Districts I and IV absent)  (3/14/00)

Resolved:  To approve the restructuring of the honorary membership subcommittee and special recognition subcommittee to form the special awards subcommittee.  (Passed 10-0-0)  (6/27/00)

Resolved:  To ask the Honors & Awards Committee to expedite the approval process for the Women in Athletic Training Award.  (Passed 8-0-0)  (10/10/00)

Voted:  To approve the creation of the Gail Weldon Woman Athletic Trainer Award.  (Passed 10-0-0)  (11/9/00)

Voted:  To approve the committee’s recommendations for the following awards:
Bill Chisolm Professional Service Award
Carl L. Williams, Jr., MEd, ATC

President’s Challenge
Letha Yurko Griffin, MD, PhD

Honorary Membership
Suzanne Cracraft
Lewis A. Yocum, MD

(Passed 9-0-0, District I absent)  (3/20/01)

Voted: To approve the committee’s recommendations for the Athletic Trainer Service Award:
Kimberly Ann Blackburn, MSEd, ATC
Gary Gene Nelson, MEd, ATC
Rebekah Ruth Bower, MS, ATC
Danny Gene Poole, ATC
Mark Paul Doughty, MS, ATC
Daniel R. Sedory, MS, ATC
Robert Scott Douglass, MEd, ATC
Charles Anthony Starkey, PhD, ATC
Chris A. Gillespie, MEd, ATC
John G. Streif, ATC
Meredith Wayne Kendrick, ATC
Richard G. Young, MEd, ATC

(Passed 9-0-0, District I absent)  (3/20/01)

Voted: To approve the committee’s recommendations for the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer:
Randy L. Biggerstaff, MS, ATC
Luis “Tony” Ortiz, MEd, ATC
David Houston Craig, ATC
Louis Osternig, PhD, ATC
Bernard DePalma, MEd, ATC
Jiro Shikakura, ATC
Albert Green, ATC
Thomas Stephen Woods, ATC
Sue Stanley-Green MS, ATC

(Passed 9-0-0, District I absent)  (3/20/01)

Voted: To approve the committee’s recommendations for the Hall of Fame:
Donald A. Chu PhD, ATC, PT
Kenneth W. Kopke, MEd, ATC
Andy Clawson, MS, ATC
Carl Krein, MA, ATC, PT
Kenneth L. Knight, PhD, ATC, FACSM
Dennis Miller, ATC, PT

(Passed 9-0-0, District I absent)  (3/20/01)

Noted: The board supports recognizing internationals as appropriate through our honors and awards process. (5/11/01)

Noted: Tony Marek presented the following recommendations to the board on behalf of the Honors & Awards Committee:
1. Only national awards to be presented at the awards luncheon.
2. All other awards will be recognized in the NATA News, but will be presented in a location other than the awards luncheon to be selected by the sponsoring group.
3. Recommended that the awards luncheon be discontinued in 2003 and a formal evening banquet be created to recognize only the formally recognized NATA national awards delineated in number one above.
4. All new award requests will be directed to the Honors & Awards Committee. The new awards protocol will be explained to the requesting group at that time. The Honors & Awards Committee will then advise the board about the award.

Voted: To reiterate the new award protocol be followed for all new award requests. Passed 10-0-0

The board chose not to proceed with the committee’s other recommendations (1, 2 & 3 above). (6/18/01)
Continuing Education Committee Award: By consensus, the board approved the Continuing Education Committee Award, which will be publicized in the November NATA News and will be awarded at the Dallas 2002 convention. (9-19-01)

Chair Resignation: The Honors and Awards Committee Chair, Jack Baynes, ATC, is resigning when his term ends June 2002. He has served faithfully for nine years. Julie Max will contact him for replacement suggestions. (11/14/01)

Woman of the Year:
Voted: To fully approve the Gail Weldon Woman Athletic Training Award. Passed 8-0-2 (12/8/01)

Replacement for Chair:
Noted: Julie Max received a letter from Jack Baynes indicating Tom Abdenour is his first choice for the new Honors & Awards Committee chair. Julie Max recommended placing Tom Abdenour on the next board ballot. (12/8/01)

Review/Approval of Special Consideration for MDAT Award:
The Honors & Awards Committee requested board approval of the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Special Consideration statement:
The NATA Honors and Awards Committee (chair and subcommittee chairs) shall consider properly sponsored candidates for the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award as Special Consideration Candidates on a case-by-case basis. The decision to consider such a candidate will require the candidate to have met the following criteria:
1. The candidate must be recommended by the subcommittee for Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award as being an appropriate candidate for Special Consideration.
2. The candidate must have a minimum of 20 years of service as a Certified Athletic Trainer.
3. The candidate must have been nominated, evaluated by the subcommittee for Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer and denied on two separate occasions before being considered for Special Consideration.
4. The candidate must have a quantifiable and exemplary contribution in any area or areas. This can be put forth by the subcommittee in the form of a high point total in one area of evaluation or can be demonstrated by the letters of recommendation, member input, or ancillary group input.

Note of information: Unlike the Hall of Fame Special Consideration, the MDAT candidates that have been denied in year one can be renominated again the second year. If denied the second year, they would be eligible for Special Consideration in year three.

Voted: The board approved by consensus the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Special Consideration statement. The Honors & Awards Committee will include the statement in its committee procedure manual. (1/30/02)

2002 Honors & Awards Recipients List:
Noted: Rich Rogers explained that according to policy, there can only be three winners per state. This year Texas had five nominees, each of whom met the requirements. The Honors & Awards Committee will revisit the policy this year in June. (3/27/02)

Voted: To approve the committee’s recommendations for the following awards:

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Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer:

Bill G. Bean, ATC, PT   Peggy A. Houglum, PhD, ATC, PT
Cynthia “Sam” Booth, PhD, ATC/R  Kenneth F. Kladnik, MEd, ATC
A. J. Duffy III, MS, ATC, PT   Peter M. Koehneke, MS, ATC
John W. Harvey, ATC  Kenneth W. Locker, MA, LATC
Daniel N. Hooker, PhD, ATC/L, PT   Sanford “Sandy” Miller, ATC, LAT
Charles W. Kimmel, Jr., MS, ATC  John A. Redgren, ATC, PT
Robert M. Nevil, ATC, PT  (2,4) Passed 9-0-1  (Sandy Miller excused from vote.)
Arnold L. Thomas, MEd, ATC, LAT
Jerry A. Whetstone, MEd, ATC
Michael J. Willets, ATC  Honorary Membership
Carl L. Williams, Jr., ATC  Harry Selesnick, MD
(7,5) Passed 9-0-1  Michael F. Schafer, MD
(Chuck Kimmel excused from this vote.)  (10,8) Passed 10-0-0

Noted:  Rich Rogers noted Kenneth W. Kopke, MEd, ATC was selected in 2001 for the Hall of Fame award but will be formally inducted with this year’s class.  (3/27/02)

Athletic Trainer Service Award:

Voted:  To remove the limit on the number of Athletic Trainer Service Award nominees per state.  Passed 10-0-0.  (6/13/02)

Noted:  Jack Baynes advised each year, a list of those members who automatically qualify for this award by length of service is sent to state presidents.  Lynn Bott requested the list be sent to district directors as well and made the commitment to promote this award in his new role as liaison to the State Associations Group.  (6/13/02)

Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer:  Jack Baynes asked for changes to the criteria for special consideration for the MDAT award.  He was invited to present his recommendations in writing and submit them for the board’s August conference call.  (6/13/02)

MDAT Special Consideration Criteria:  The board by consensus agreed to accept the recommendations of the Honors & Awards committee to revise the special consideration criteria for the MDAT award, effective for the 2003 awards cycle, as follows:

A candidate for MDAT whose nomination is rejected twice in a row will be eligible for special consideration the following year, provided the candidate is re-nominated and updated information regarding his or her professional accomplishments has been submitted to the committee.

This recommendation would be retroactive to nominations received in 2002.  If a candidate has been rejected twice as of 2002, the candidate may be resubmitted for the 2003 program year as a special consideration candidate.  (8/22/02)
Input on Hall of Fame Candidates
Voted: To accept the district director candidate feedback document as presented by the Hall of Fame subcommittee. Passed 10-0-0 (10/15/02)

Gail Weldon Award
Voted: To accept the name change of the ‘Gail Weldon Woman Athletic Trainer of the Year Award’ to the ‘Gail Weldon Visionary Award’. Passed 10-0-0 (12/13/02)

2003 Honors and Awards Recipients
Voted: To approve the committee’s recommendations for the following awards:

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Passed 10-0-0 (3/4/03)

Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer
Kathleen Laquale, PhD, ATC, LDN (RI) | Richard Pierce, LATC (MA)
Stephen Bair, MS, ATC (NJ) | Jeffrey S. Cooper, MS, ATC (DE)
James Gossett, MS, ATC (NY) | Frank Walters, PhD, ATC (MD)
D. Rod Walters, III, DA, ATC (SC) | Larry Leverenz, PhD, ATC (IN)
Bill Wissen, MA, ATC (TX) | Susan Hillman, ATC, PT (AZ)
Edward Ryan, MS, ATC (CO) | Michael Ferrara, PhD, ATC (GA)
Robert T. Floyd, EdD, ATC (AL) | David Green, MS, ATC (TN)

Passed 8-0-2. (As candidates, directors Laquale and Walters were excused from the vote.) (3/4/03)

Hall of Fame
John “Jack” Baynes, ATC (AZ)
Robert “Bob” Beeten, MS, ATC (CO)
Ron Carroll, MS, ATC (AR)
Robert “Bob” Moore, PhD, ATC, PT (CA)
Dave Perrin, PhD, ATC (NC)
Passed 10-0-0 (3/4/03)

Noted: Director Marje Albohm has agreed to be the MC for the 2003 Hall of Fame induction ceremonies. (3/4/03)

Request for Special Recognition in St. Louis
Noted: The board approved a request from Honors and Awards Committee chair Tom Abdenour, for special recognition of a member’s unique contributions to the athletic training profession at St. Louis. (5/27/03)

On-Line Award Nomination Submission Process
Noted: Tom Abdenour, MS, ATC, chair of the Honors and Awards Committee updated the board on the new on-line submission process which will be up and running on August 1, 2003. (6/28/03)
Criteria for Hall of Fame Award
Noted: Changes have been made to the point allocations for the Hall of Fame award in response to concerns expressed by pro team athletic trainers. The new evaluation tool allows more points for involvement by athletic trainers in pro societies. (6/28/03)

Overhaul of nomination forms & evaluation tools
Noted: Nomination forms and evaluation tools for the Hall of Fame and Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer awards have been reworked to take into account candidate activities at local, state and national levels. The new evaluation tool will be used for 2004 candidates. (6/28/03)

Resubmission of 2003 candidates
Noted: Normally candidates who have been rejected for the Hall of Fame have a one-year waiting period before reconsideration. Because the nomination forms and evaluation tools have been amended, the Honors & Awards Committee recommends waiving this waiting period for the four candidates who did not receive Hall of Fame awards in 2003. (6/28/03)

40-Year Award
Noted: The Honors & Awards Committee has suggested an award for athletic trainers who have been actively practicing 40 years. The committee will develop the concept and make a proposal to the board. The first 40-year class would be eligible to receive the award in 2005. (6/28/03)

Voted: By consensus the board agreed to the recommendations of the Honors and Awards Committee:
• changes to criteria for the Hall of Fame award
• overhaul of nomination forms and evaluation tools for the Hall of Fame and Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer awards
• resubmission of 2003 candidates for the 2004 Hall of Fame award
• development of proposal for new 40-year award. (6/28/03)

The Honors and Awards Committee requested board approval of the following:

40-Year Verification Form
Noted: The board considered the verification form for the new 40 Year award, designed to recognize certified athletic trainers whose careers have spanned 40 years and whose employment setting may have prevented their involvement in other areas.

NATA Senior Veteran’s Hall of Fame Selection Criteria
Noted: Many NATA members have contributed to the athletic training profession at a Hall of Fame level throughout their careers, but do not qualify for induction. The NATA Senior Veteran Committee would evaluate potential Hall of Fame candidates based on their contributions to the profession in light of professional hurdles or challenges that may have minimized their opportunity to be inducted in the NATA Hall of Fame. Candidates must already have received the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award. (12/12/03)

Voted: To approve the verification form for the NATA 40-Year Award.
To approve the selection criteria for the NATA Senior Veteran’s Hall of Fame.
Passed 10-0-0 (12/12/03)

2004 Honors & Awards Recipients List
Voted: To approve the committee’s recommendations for the following awards.

President’s Challenge Award
Paul Grace (MD)
Honorary Membership
Stanley Herring (WA)
Peter Hovorka (IL)
Leslie Neistadt (GA)
Robert Nickell (CA)

Athletic Trainer Service Award
Laura Bitting (NY)
Glenn Brown (DE)
David England (AR)
Ellen Epping (AR)
Christina Farley (FL)
Susan Finkam (IN)
Walt Gainey (SC)
Tommis Gocke (SC)
William Hayes (SC)
Chris Ingersoll (VA)
Janet Lauer (MI)
Gaye Merrill (UT)
Ivan Milton (MO)
Debrah Morante (NJ)
Sally Perkins (NY)
Susan Saliba (VA)
Jeffrey Stone (MA)
Cathy Supak (TX)
Donald Teahan (FL)
Daniel Trampf (WI)
Marion Vruggink (IN)
Chuck Whedon (NJ)

Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer
Patricia Aronson (VA)
Nancy Burke (VA)
Jim Clover (CA)
David Colt (MO)
Mark Gibson (WI)
Elton Hawley (NC)
MaryBeth Horodyski (FL)
Patrick Lamboni (MD)
James Mackie (FL)
Tony Marek (NV)
Sally Nogle (MI)
Bobby Patton (TX)
David Pursley (GA)
Richard Ray (MI)
James Shoop (GA)
Paula Turocy (PA)
Jerry Weber (NE)
Keith Webster (KY)

Hall of Fame
Al Green (FL)
Sue Stanley-Green (FL)
Bill McDonald (AL)
William Prentice (NC)
Ted Quedenfeld (PA)
Charles Redmond (MA)
Kathy Schniedwind (IL)
Clint Thompson (WA)

Passed (8-0-0) (3/2/04)

Increase Minimum Hall of Fame Requirement
Noted: The Honors and Awards Committee recommends the minimum Hall of Fame requirement be increased from 25 to 30 years certified. The committee feels the increase will reinforce the Hall of Fame award as a career pinnacle achievement. Board members were reluctant to support this recommendation, discussing raising the points standard, rather than increasing the minimum requirement for years certified. Staff will provide statistics showing the potential number of candidates eligible for consideration for the Hall of Fame award under current requirements over the next five years. The board will reconsider the recommendation when this information is provided. (5/14/04)

Increase Hall of Fame Special Consideration from 30 to 35 Years Certified:
Noted: Contingent upon board approval of the committee’s first recommendation (above), the Honors and Awards Committee recommends increasing Hall of Fame special consideration criterion from 30 to 35 years certified. (5/14/04)

Recognition for 40 Year Award Recipient
Noted: The board approved the new 40 Year award in December 2003, to recognize certified athletic trainers whose careers have spanned 40 years and whose employment setting may have prevented their
involvement in other areas. Suggestions for appropriate recognition were considered. The board asked for more information about different types of recognition and pricing and will look at funding requests in December at budget time. (5/14/04)

Lobby Day May 2005
Noted: In association with the May 2005 board meeting in the Washington area, each committee has been invited to participate in the Lobby Day event as an extension of their off convention site meeting. An additional meeting day will be funded for the committees that wish to participate. (6/19/04)

Career Pinnacle Award:
Noted: Following deliberations, the Hall of Fame Subcommittee has decided to retain the 25 year qualifying period for induction into the Hall of Fame. The grading tool will be reevaluated and criteria made more stringent. (6/19/04)

Changes to Award Nomination Procedures:
Noted: The Honors & Awards calendar has been changed for all awards that fall under the jurisdiction of the Honors & Awards Committee. (6/19/04)

- 1 September –15 November Award nominations accepted
- 1 September – 15 November Information may be requested on line
- December 1 Last day for submission of information
- Mid January Information packs sent out
- Late February/March Results announced to board of directors

Noted: Due to significant problems with on-line submissions in ’03-’04, on-line submission will not be utilized in ’04-’05. Letters of recommendation must be printed on letterhead with a signature. They may not be sent in via email. Letters must include one from a physician or Hall of Famer attesting to the candidate’s skills in athletic training. The candidate’s certification date must be noted. A separate submission must be completed for each award. State presidents and district directors will be notified of the changes by letter. In addition, the changes will be announced on athletic training list servs and publicized in e-blasts and in the NATA News. (6/19/04)

40 Year Award
Noted: A wristwatch with a special NATA 40 year logo will be awarded to athletic trainers who have been actively engaged in the athletic training profession for 40 years or more. (6/19/04)

Voted: The board by consensus approved the changes proposed by the Honors & Awards Committee. Passed 10-0-0 (6/19/04)

50 Year Pin
Noted: NATA would like to award 50-year pins to athletic trainers, who have 50 or more years of NATA membership. Honors and Awards chair Tom Abdenour has been consulted and is in favor of the suggestion. The cost of $0.75 to $1.50 per pin would be absorbed by the Honors and Awards Committee’s fiscal budget. (10/28/04)

Voted: To approve the purchase of 50-year pins for NATA members who have more than fifty years of continuous NATA membership. Passed 10-0-0 (10/28/04)

Staff Trim the Budget Competition
Suggestions included:
- Scaling back on the lunches at committee meetings by providing a nice box lunch instead of a hot meal at noon. Estimated saving: about $200 per committee.
(12/10/04)
Student Representation on Committees  
Noted: Some committees have requested a student member. The board supported the concept of giving students exposure to the association leadership and decision-making process, but felt there were other, more effective ways to accomplish this at no cost.  
Voted: To invite area athletic training program directors to bring students to board meetings in their area.  
Passed 10-0-0 (12/10/04)

Honors and Awards Committee  
Noted: The Honors and Awards Committee will be looking to the board of directors for feedback on candidates. Each board member will receive a list of nominees from his/her district and will be asked to comment on these nominees. This is only a small part of the overall scoring, but the committee feels feedback from the district director is important. (12/11/04)  
Noted: The new 40-year award approved by the board in June 2004 will be presented for the first time in 2005. This award is reserved for athletic trainers who have been actively and continuously engaged in the athletic training profession for 40 years or more who have not received any other NATA award. (12/11/04)  

2005 Honors & Awards Recipients  
The board reviewed the award nominations from the Honors and Awards Committee.

President’s Challenge Award  
Don Shelbourne IN

Honorary Membership  
Stuart Freed WA  
Darren Johnson KY  
Michael McCrea WI  

40-Year Award  
Bernie LaReau IN  
Robert Lundy FL  
William Neill III MD  

Athletic Trainer Service Award  
Denise Alosa VT  
Tom Bair GA  
Ned Bergert CA  
Patricia Billingslea MD  
Bob Casmus NC  
Cindy Clivio HI  
Gail Connolly RI  
Debbie Craig AZ  
John Davis NJ  
Brent Faure ID  
Brian FitzGerald MA  
James Gillen CO  
Denise Harklau IA  
Ronald Harper LA  
Al Hawkins SC  
Vicci Hill Lombardi NJ  

Joe Kroeber ND  
Brett Massie OH  
Nairi Melkonian MA  
Darryl Miller CO  
Julie Moyer Knowles DE  
James Murdoch VT  
Jim Nespor IA  
Janet Passman LA  
Dave Pawlowski VA  
Pamela Rast TX  
Kelli Sabiston FL  
Kim Terrell OR  
Bob Tim CO  
Antoinette VanDePutte TX  
Mark White NC  
John Zubal GA

Voted: To approve the candidate nominations recommended by the Honors And Awards Committee for the President’s Challenge Award, Honorary Membership, the 40-year award and the Athletic Trainer Service Award. Passed 10-0-0 (2/25/05)

Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer  
Stephen Antonopulos CO  
Fran Babich CA  
Lynn C. Bott KS  
David Carrier MI  
Ronald Courson GA  
Denise M. Fandel NE  
Joseph Iezzi PA  
Marjorie A. King NH  
Malissa Martin IN  
Michael O’Shea TX  
John Powell MI  
Chad Starkey MA
Voted: To approve the award nominations for the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award. Passed 9-0-1 (Award nominee Director Iezzi abstained from the vote.)

By request, Dr Starkey’s award will be presented at the 2006 annual meeting. (2/25/05)

NATA Hall of Fame
Gerald (Jerry) Bell IL
Pete Carlon TX
Kathleen Laquale RI
Tony Marek NV
Rod Walters SC

Voted: To approve the award nominations for the NATA Hall of Fame. Passed 10-0-0 (2/25/05)

Co-Chair
Noted: The Committee is considering bringing in a co-chair (or vice chair) for one year to facilitate a smooth transition should the current chair not wish to seek a second term. (5/13/05)

Hall of Fame Criteria
Noted: The Hall of Fame Subcommittee is planning to rework the Hall of Fame application. The final version will be submitted for board approval in June. Currently the Hall of Fame application is divided into sections based on contributions at the national, district, state and local levels. The new version will ask applicants for the same information, but it will be re-grouped into sections such as leadership, service and scholarly activity. The subcommittee feels these small changes and the subsequent changes to the scoring tool will even the playing field for Hall of Fame applicants regardless of their work setting. The board will review the committee’s submission in June. (5/13/05)

Internal Marketing
2005 Hall of Fame video
Noted: Inductees were filmed on location this year, enabling the inclusion of interviews with colleagues and former students. Departing from the studio setting resulted in substantial cost savings. (6/11/05)

Committee appointments
Noted: Tom Abdenour is president-elect of the National Basketball Athletic Trainers’ Association and will step down as chair of the Honors and Awards Committee in June 2006. Abdenour announced the following appointments:
Rochel Rittgers Chair-elect, Honors and Awards
Mary Donahue Chair, Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Subcommittee
Carolyn Greer Chair, Hall of Fame Subcommittee
(6/16/05)

Policy document
Noted: The Honors and Awards Committee proposed a policy excluding anyone involved in the award decision making process from consideration for that award. (6/16/05)

Voted: Decision makers will not be eligible for awards while involved in recommending or approving awards. Passed 10-0-0 (6/16/05)

Award nominations
Noted: Award nominations may be submitted by certified members, student certified members and retired certified members.

Board members discussed the first instance of a member receiving two awards in the same year. When an award nomination is considered, subcommittee members have no way of knowing whether the
nominee is being considered for another award. It was suggested in future if a candidate is nominated for two awards, the candidate should decide which nomination is pursued.

Hall of Fame candidates are not eligible for other awards.

Future nomination forms will state active campaigning for an award is disallowed and could result in disqualification. (6/16/05)

40 year award
Noted: Candidates for the 40 year award need to apply to be considered for this award. They will need to verify they meet the requirement of active service in the profession for an unbroken period of 40 years. Retired members who maintain their involvement in the profession, for example as committee members or liaisons, are still deemed to be active members of the profession.

Hall of Fame members are ineligible for the 40 year award. However, recipients of the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award and the Athletic Training Service Award are eligible for the 40 year award. (6/16/05)

Hall of Fame Nomination Form
Noted: The Hall of Fame committee discussed changing the application form. Currently, professional contributions are assessed at the state, district and national levels. Beginning with the 2006 application, the committee will assess candidates in the areas of leadership, service, scholarly achievement, honors and awards, international games participation and professionalism. The requirements for the award are unchanged; the new form will merely provide an evidence-based approach for assessing candidates. It is the committee’s goal to level the playing field for all Hall of Fame candidates, regardless of work setting. (6/16/05)

40-Year Award Status
Noted: The 40-year award was created to recognize certified athletic trainers who have been employed continuously for at least 40 years. The reliability of NATA’s certification records cannot be verified prior to 1970. For this reason, the Honors and Awards Committee would like to put the 40-year award on hold until 2010 when certification dates can be accurately ascertained.

Voted: To suspend the 40-year award until 2010. Passed: 9-0-0-1. (09/28/05)

2006 Award Winners
Voted: To approve the honors and awards committee recommended winners:

President’s Challenge Award
Michael Brunet, MD LA

Honorary Membership
Robert Cantu, MA, MD MA Doug Gregory, MD VA
Scott Gillogly, MD, FACS GA Dexter Nelson, MSc, CAT Canada

Athletic Trainer Service Award
Tim Adams ME Allen Passerallo OH
Don Bagnall CT Mark Schauer OH
Laura Darby-McNally MA Mike Sullivan IL
Matt Gerken ME Paul Flynn IA
Robert Howard CT Gordon Graham TX
Elisa Camillone NJ Lori Greenwood TX
Tim Kelly NY Chris Hall TX
Kathryn Koshansky NY George Young TX
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Passed, 9-0-0  (2/15/06)

**2007 Awards Presentation Format**

Noted: The board discussed feedback received regarding the 2007 Awards Presentation format.

Voted: To reconsider the board’s action relative to the 2007 Awards Presentation being held in conjunction with the NATA opening session and the J&J keynote. Passed 10-0-0

Voted: To return the 2007 Awards Presentation to a luncheon format. Passed 10-0-0  (8/30/06)

**Honors and Awards Committee Recommendations**

Voted: To approve the Honors and Awards Committee recommendations. Passed 9-0-1 (2/2/07)

**Update On Fellows Designation**

The foundation is considering a fellows program proposal that would honor scholars and researchers for their leadership and service to the athletic training profession and the NATA, NATA foundation and related entities. Candidates may not nominate themselves; must have earned a degree at least five years prior to the time of application; and must have been a certified NATA member for 10 consecutive years. The submission package includes a completed application, curriculum vitae, two recommendation letters and a non-refundable $50 application fee to offset the costs of the program. This proposal will be submitted for NATA board’s buy-in in June 2007. (05/12/07)