

John Desler, *Hall Presidents Council Co-Chair*  
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**AN ORDER REGARDING THE 2019-2020  
HALL OF THE YEAR SELECTION PROCESS**

*Whereas*, “extenuating circumstances that dramatically affect the current state of affairs of the student body,” (Constitution, III.3.q) have arisen due to the global pandemic, COVID-19;

*Whereas*, the University’s decision to suspend all in-person learning has drastically affected the Hall of the Year selection process;

***Ordered by the Student Senate of the University of Notre Dame du Lac,***

That the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body, pursuant to Article III Section 4(q) of the same, is hereby suspended as follows:

**Article VII Section 5 is hereby suspended for the 2019-2020 Hall of the Year Selection Process.**

Furthermore, in order to prescribe guidelines to the 2019-2020 Hall of the Year Selection Process, the Senate hereby orders, pursuant to Article III Section 3(n) of the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body, the Hall Presidents Council Co-Chairs adhere to the following guidelines during the 2019-2020 Hall of the Year Selection Process:

- I. The decision to award the title of Hall of the Year to a residence hall shall be decided by a review board comprised of the following members:
  - (1) Both Hall Presidents Council Co-Chairs.
  - (2) The Hall Presidents Council Finance Chair.
  - (3) Both Hall Presidents Council Social Chairs.
  - (4) The Hall Presidents Council Athletics Chair.
  - (5) Two (2) Senators who served during the 2019-2020 Senate term, who shall not sit on their own halls’ review boards.
  - (6) One (1) member of the 2019-2020 senior Judicial Council leadership.
  - (7) One of the 2019-2020 Co-Directors of the Department of Student Life.
  
- II. All members of the review board, excluding Senators, must be present for all of the presentations. If a member of the review board is unable to be present for all of the presentations, that member’s seat on the review board will go unfilled. No business shall be conducted unless a quorum is present.

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- III. The review board shall receive presentations from a maximum of three (3) members of hall government. Up to an additional four (4) members of the hall may also contribute to the presentation. The presence of the Hall President is required, and the review board shall not hear any presentation in the absence of the Hall President.
- IV. If, for any presentation, a member of the Hall of the Year review board is unable to ensure impartiality, either by his or her own estimation or the decision of the review board by majority vote, said member must recuse himself or herself from scoring the hall(s) in question. In the event that a member of the review board is recused, their score for that residence hall will be voided and replaced by the mean score given by the other scoring members.
- V. The total score for the Hall of the Year shall be comprised of 45% presentation, 50% Rockne awards, and 5% Declared Discretionary Allotment for a given social cause. After the total points for each hall are tabulated, the Hall Presidents Council Co-Chairs shall announce the winning residence hall as Hall of the Year. The next highest-scoring male residence hall shall be named Men's Hall of the Year, and the next highest-scoring female residence hall shall be named Women's Hall of the Year. In the event of a tie, the review board shall vote to determine the winner. In the event of another tie, the Hall Presidents Council Co-Chairs must unanimously agree on the winner.
- (1) Each residence hall's monthly Rockne submission shall be evaluated on a noncompetitive rubric determined by the Hall Presidents Council Executive Board by the start of each academic year. This rubric shall be distributed to the Hall Presidents in a timely manner. The Rockne scores shall be totaled and weighted to equal 50% of the final score.
  - (2) The Co-Chairs shall prescribe a date and time which each Hall shall give a final presentation via Zoom. These presentations are to convey the accomplishments and growth of each hall and its residents over the course of the president's term. The rubric for evaluation of these presentations shall be distributed to the Hall Presidents in a timely manner before the presentations. After the presentations, each Hall's score shall be weighted to equal 45% of the final score.
  - (3) The Declared Discretionary Allotment shall be awarded on a binary basis to each hall for reaching a defined level of participation or commitment to a contemporary cause important to the Council, the Student Union, and the University, as defined by the Hall Presidents Council Executive Board. Should the nature of the Declared Discretionary Allotment be made known to the Hall Presidents at a date later than that of the end of Fall term final exams, the Presentation percentage weight shall be increased to 50% and the Declared Discretionary Allotment percentage weight decreased to 0%.

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