

Overview

New classes in the British Baseball Hall of Fame (BBHoF) are announced annually, on the second Tuesday in October. The inaugural class was revealed on 13 October 2009 and included Ross Kendrick, Sir John Moores, and Norman Wells, Sr. Because of the limited historical record, the Board of Electors comprises individuals who have experience in researching the history of British baseball. This includes one seat for a representative from SABR UK (the British chapter of the Society for American Baseball Research). An additional seat is reserved for a representative from the board of the British Baseball Federation as an acknowledgement of the governing body's endorsement of the BBHoF. Electors put forward nominations for each class and also vote on whether each candidate should be inducted or not. Nominations are also put forward by Regional Experts, who have been appointed to assist the BBHoF with biographical details. Induction into the inaugural class required at least six 75% of the votes from among the eight Electors. The Board of Electors grew to ten in number in 2010 and the threshold remained as six votes, as it became a simple majority. In 2016, following a no-inductee class in 2015, candidates were split out into historical and modern. A three-person vetting panel was established to determine the single most worthy pre-modern candidate each year to be elected (with the Chair's ranking splitting ties). For the 2017 class, the voting panel dropped to nine members, with, again, a majority of votes needed for election.