



September 1, 2021

Statement of Apology and Direction Moving Forward

Dear Tiffin Community,

We would like to issue a sincere apology; we made an error in judgement when we included the individual in question in the weekend activities. As a Committee, we attempted to honor the outstanding accomplishments of a team. Unfortunately, we did not meet the expectations of the community. As a committee we did not do enough to advocate for the survivors and their families that were affected.

Article VI states that "The nominee must have demonstrated good citizenship." In honoring the 1998 Girls' Basketball team, we did not fully consider the impact of this decision and how it would affect the community as a whole. We are sorry that this did not meet community expectations. The Committee will be re-evaluating the process within the month of September.

Again, the Committee offers a formal apology on this situation and will work diligently to ensure that the nominations and future inductees are held to the highest standards of our community.

Sincerely,

Tiffin Columbian Athletic Hall of Fame Committee

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Daniel Hartsel
Co-Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Larry Kisabeth".

Larry Kisabeth
Co-Chair