Bob Stein-Worthy of the College Football Hall of Fame

From athletics to academics, business relations to civil service, Bob Stein's credentials for entrance into the College Football Hall of Fame are second to none.

Bob's efforts have been so well recognized that many have taken the time to share their thoughts on his outstanding character and qualifications:

Athletic Prowess...



"My husband was so impressed with Bob Stein from coaching him on the Chiefs, that upon becoming the head coach of the New Orleans Saints, Hank sought his leadership and brought him to New Orleans to help build the character of his young players." - Mrs. Phyllis Stram, Widow of Hank Stram, Former Head Coach, Kansas City Chiefs and New Orleans Saints

"As a member of the College and Pro Football Halls of Fame, I know what it takes to play the game. And Bob Stein was one of the best."

- Ron Yarv. College Football Hall of Fame Member

"I played against Bob three times as a quarterback and then a running back during my career at the University of Iowa. He was the type of aggressive, unblockable defensive player that you designed your offense to stay away from."

- Ed Podolak, University of Iowa Football Broadcaster and Former Chiefs Running Back

"His consistent, intelligent and physical approach to the game made him dominate."

- Ed White, College Football Hall of Fame Member

Academic Excellence...



"His 2-year selection as first team All-American AND Academic All-American (as a pre-med student, no less) were well deserved, and I closely observed the skill and intensity justifying those honors."

- James M. Ramstad, Retired, 9-term United States Congressman

"Many players who are drafted are of course acknowledged for their athletic skills. Bob was equally acknowledged for his academic talent. It was interesting to observe his path as a Rhodes Scholar semifinalist and his attending full-time and graduating from law school in the top tenth of his class while playing for the Chiefs."

- Willie Lanier, College Football Hall of Fame Member

"In college, his scholastic achievements were second to none, reflecting a fierce dedication to excellence that has been a hallmark of his career."

- Patrick R. Fallon, Founder and Chairman, Fallon Worldwide

'Bob's incredible intelligence, common sense, and passion for faith, family, and the game, even after nearly forty years of friendship, still resonate with me. Bob has been a mentor in my life ever since I met him."

- Marc Trestman, Head Coach, Chicago Bears

Business Savvy...



"As the founding CEO of the Timberwolves, Bob worked to secure the franchise, build the Target Center, and bring the NBA to the Twin Cities. His leadership made it happen."

- James R. Campbell, Retired Chairman and CEO, Wells Fargo Bank

"As the Timberwolves senior executive, he exemplified the attributes of a high level scholar-athlete every day, bringing a competitive mindset and drive to be the best; an insatiable appetite for education, sports and entertainment; and a balanced emphasis on teamwork, family and doing good in the community."

- Len Komoroski, CEO, Cleveland Cavaliers/Quicken Loans Arena

"My executive team and I greatly respected Bob's integrity, business skill and leadership when we dealt with him as Timberwolves and Target Center CEO."

- Mark W. Sheffert, Former President, First Bank Systems (now US Bank)

"Through his talents in law, business, and governance, and his personal contacts, Bob has been a key board member for 18 years. An MVP in my book."

- Wayne Kostroski, Founder, Taste of the NFL/Hunger Related Events

Dedication to the Community...



"Whether dealing one-on-one with a client or family member or devoting time to the community, Bob's character does not waver." - Fred Dryer, College Football Hall of Fame Member

"Bob's law career and success with the Minnesota Timberwolves is well documented, but what many don't know is that he has given his time to Children's Cancer Research Fund, Taste of the NFL, Operation Smile, Minnesota Boxing Commission, Jacob Wetterling Foundation and many other charitable organizations. Bob has always kept the University of Minnesota and Gopher football program close to his heart. He is an avid Gophers supporter and former "M" Club president. In 1981, he co-founded the Goal Line Club, the official Minnesota football booster group. He continues to be a true role model to our current players."

- Jerry Kill, Head Coach, University of Minnesota Football

"A review of Bob's athletic career, his academic accomplishments, his leadership abilities, and his contributions to his community show that he is an excellent candidate for the 2013 College Football Hall of Fame."

- Richard A. Larson, Former Assistant Coach, University of Minnesota Football