



The Frankfurt American High School Association 1967-1971 (FAHSAA) is a successful association that has achieved that success through the dedicated support of a numerous alumni and former faculty members who have devoted countless hours of volunteerism over the years. To demonstrate its appreciation, the Executive Board of Gayle Cratty '69, Guy Bennett '68, Gaye Doane '69, Linda Brashear '69 and Betty Weller '70 proposed the creation of a committee to nominate candidates for written recognition and gratitude through the receipt of an award. The committee, which is called the "FAHSAA Recognition Committee (FRC)", was formally approved on 12 May 2022.

In addition to Erik Thamm '68 who is the Chair, the members of the committee who are informally referred to among themselves as the "Four Amigos" include: Kym Denmark '68, Michael Taylor '68, and Greg Brown '69.

The purpose of the FAHSAA Recognition Award is not to award for anything accomplished during high school, but for efforts in support of our association. Key factors to be considered but not be restricted to for award include:

- "Time" contributed (e.g., the time a person has given to the organization such serving on FAHSAA committees, the Executive Boimneesard, as Class Reps, as Reunion Hosts, etc.)
- "Treasure" (i.e., contributions to FAHSAA measured monetarily)
- "Talent" (i.e., the skill sets, expertise, knowledge, etc.) provided to the association in different administrative capacities so that it benefits the FAHSAA organization (e.g., accounting, legal, website, administrative, marketing, etc.)
- "Other Special Considerations" include support provided for a "special FAHSAA event or activity" or for "extraordinary value of service/expertise".

Through internal discussions, the Committee recommended that there should be five (5) nominees for the initial awards including Allen Monasmith '61, Geral (Jerry) Martin (FAHS Faculty), Kathryn Cooney '67, Mike McCready '67 and William (Bill) House '69. After review, the Executive Board concurred.

- Allen Monasmith '61: Alan developed an extensive FAHS database by recording the 30,000 people who attended or taught at our high school. He accomplished this by copying all the names in the year books from 1947 to 1995. Allen then obtained additional information by calling people on the phone and asking them to Xerox copies their yearbook and mail them to me. This time-consuming process took over ten years.

- GERAL (Jerry) MARTIN (FAHS Faculty): Jerry was a genuinely loved member of our FAHS faculty and a constant supporter of our association since its founding. Jerry was “A Dormie’s friend, a non-conformist, a Fasching enthusiast, a good teacher, an outstanding counselor” (cited from the 1967 FAHS yearbook) and, we would add for this Recognition Award, a dear friend to all of us who attended FAHS.
- KATHRYN COONEY ’67: Kathryn Cooney has provided many years of support to the alumni association as Legal Counsel and Chairperson for the Compassion Fund Committee. We honor Kathryn with sincerest appreciation for her dedication to serving the FAHSAA with her professional expertise, gifts, and talents.
- MIKE MCCREADY ’67: Since its founding, Mike has been one of our most passionate association members. In addition to Mike’s personal support of the association, beginning in 2008 Mike began to contribute numerous cases of excellent wine at each of our social gatherings to share his joy. Mike has always come thru in helping our Alumni enjoy good company and fellowship paired with his excellent wine.
- WILLIAM (BILL) HOUSE ’69: As an early FAHSAA Legal Counsel, Bill was a strong and easy choice for the 2022 FAHSAA Recognition Award. Leveraging over 10 years of practicing law at the time of the inception of FAHSAA, he was able to provide sound advice and legal reassurance for our officers which helped make the alumni association the success that it is today.