

ILLINOIS STATE
UNIVERSITY

BOARD OF
TRUSTEES

Resolution No. 2025.07/27
Authorization to Name the
Rich Olson Press Box

Resolution

Whereas, the Board of Trustees, as authorized by the Board of Trustees Governing Document, Section C, Policies, Subsection IV-C, Naming of Facilities, shall approve the naming of all facilities at the University, and

Whereas, the press box at Duffy Bass Field is located in Normal, Illinois, and

Whereas, Rich Olson has committed financial resources to Illinois State University, and

Whereas, the University Naming Committee has recommended, and President Tarhule has endorsed, the recommendation as described herein:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees in regular meeting assembled, approves the naming of the press box at Duffy Bass Field as the “Rich Olson Press Box” in recognition of financial support to Illinois State University.

Board Action on:	_____	Postpone:	_____
Motion by:	_____	Amend:	_____
Second by:	_____	Disapprove:	_____
Vote:	Yeas: _____ Nays: _____	Approve:	_____

ATTEST: Board Action, July 25, 2025

Secretary / Chairperson

**Board of Trustees
Illinois State University
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Illinois State University Athletics respectfully requests naming the press box at Duffy Bass Field. This naming reflects and recognizes the generous financial commitment by Rich Olson for the Redbird Athletics program.

Rich Olson is an alum, former Redbird baseball player, and proud supporter of Redbird Athletics. He was a three-year letterwinner as a second baseman and received all-conference honors.

Rich was coached by Duffy Bass during his time at Illinois State, and he felt compelled to make his generous gift in honor of Coach Bass and his teammates. His gift will allow Redbirds to be more successful during their time at Illinois State University and beyond.

Rich Olson's financial commitment to Illinois State University Athletics will continue to elevate and enhance student athlete experiences. As a result, we propose naming the press box at Duffy Bass Field as the Rich Olson Press Box.