

KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

May 15, 1937

The 21st annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Brown Hotel in Louisville on Thursday afternoon, April 15th, 1937.

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 P. M. by President O'Donnell.

All districts except the 10th, 55th, and 58th were represented by regularly elected delegates or alternates comprising the list which was sent to members along with the proposals for changes in the rules on April 1st.

The minutes for the 1936 meeting were approved.

The report of the secretary-treasurer was approved as follows:

This year's membership of 572 is our largest. Of last year's 563 members, 86 were dropped last October 1st for non-payment of dues; 61 of these were reinstated; 13 dropped in former years were reinstated after a lapse of one or more years; 21 new members were received.

137 schools turned in season football lists, an increase of 3 over last year.

543 schools entered district tournaments this year.

The Board of Control held five meetings during the year, two in Louisville, two in Lexington, and one in Frankfort. Three schools, Pikeville, Hellier, and Artemus were suspended for the remainder of the current year.

Gross receipts of the sixty-four district tournaments this year were \$30,305.03; net profits were \$8,605.42. 50 of these district tournaments had a profit; 10 paid overhead and divided receipts; 3 broke even; and one had a loss.

Gross receipts of the regional tournaments were \$12,053.45; net profits were \$4,489.21. 14 regions had a profit; one broke even, and one had a loss.

The gross receipts of the State Tournament were \$8,001.20; total expense, including the travel of tournament teams, was \$4,701.06; net profit turned over to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was \$3,300.14.

Total funds of the Association on this date, April 15th, are \$7,698.95. Some bills are yet to be paid. The annual audit will show details of receipts and expenditures for the year.

The proposals included in the mimeographed list sent to all members on April 1st were then considered.

Proposal I providing for a full-time executive secretary was lost after lengthy discussion.

At this point the meeting adjourned for dinner after which the business was resumed.

Proposal II offering optional plans for district tournaments was lost.

Proposal III raising the age limit of contestants to twenty-one years was lost.

Proposal IV changing the eight semester rule was lost.

Proposal V changing the twenty year age and eight semester rules was lost.

Proposal VI dropping the three second rule in basket ball tournaments was lost.

Proposal VII to play football games hereafter under the National Federation rules was passed.

Proposal VIII providing that State High School Basket Ball Tournament officials should be Kentucky residents was passed.

Proposal IX changing the twenty year age limit to twenty-one was lost.

Proposal X regulating junior high school participation was lost.

Proposal XI making six weeks enrollment constitute a semester in interpreting By-Law I, except that when a player's name is one of the ten listed as eligible for any tournament a semester of enrollment and a semester of play shall be counted against him even though he may not have been enrolled six weeks, was passed.

Proposal XII concerning officiating in preliminary games was lost.

Proposal XIII limiting athletic awards to one dollar in value was lost.

Proposal XIV requiring honorable dismissal for transfer students was lost.

Proposal XV providing that district representatives investigate contestants in their districts was lost.

Proposal XVI permitting the seeding of tournament teams was lost.

Proposal XVII providing that only members playing basket ball and having a schedule of at least six games with three different member schools may vote for tournament locations was carried. ✓

Proposal XVIII, a resolution declaring the Board's interpretative policy of December 17th 1936 void, was lost.

Proposal XIX declaring that only principals and superintendents should be eligible for the office of district representative was lost.

Proposal XX changing the twenty year rule was lost.

Proposal XXI setting up a method of selecting officials for the State Basket Ball Tournament was lost.

Proposal XXII reducing the secretary's salary was lost.

Proposal XXIII setting up a sliding scale of membership dues was lost.

Proposal XXIV adding to Tournament Rule 15 "two lines shall be drawn across the floor to provide a playing space of 40 ft. in length in the offensive end of the court" was carried. ✓

Proposal XXV limiting the size of playing courts for district and regional tournaments was lost.

Proposal XXVI striking out in Tournament Rule 12 "State Tournament" and adding "drawings for the State Tournament shall be by regions and shall be conducted by the management on the Saturday prior to the State Tournament" was carried. ✓

By unanimous consent the following proposals were considered:

By C. H. Purdom of Lancaster: That the following be added to Tournament Rule 4: "The secretary of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall be manager of the State Tournament." Carried. ✓

By Jack Dawson of Fern Creek High School: That the state be divided into eight districts for a track and field meet to be held in each district one week before the state meet. The president shall appoint a committee to work out rules governing these meets and to determine how many men shall represent each district in the state meet. The findings of the committee to be presented to the association at its annual meeting in 1938 to be acted upon, and the rulings then adopted shall govern the meets to be held in 1938. Carried. ✓

By W. S. Milburn of Louisville Male High School: That the javelin and discus events be eliminated from all meets. Carried. ✓

By C. H. Purdom of Lancaster: That the present arrangement for payment of three dollar membership dues by each member be continued for the coming year. Carried. ✓

By Jack Dawson of Fern Creek High School: A proposal limiting the football season from September 1st to January 1st in order to do away with spring football. Lost.

The following officers and directors were then elected for the ensuing year: President, W. F. O'Donnell; Vice President, Russell E. Bridges; Secretary-Treasurer, Theo A. Sanford; Directors, W. B. Owen, and John A. Dotson.

The secretary was given permission to close the fiscal year of the association on May 15th, in order to send out the annual audit and the minutes this year before schools close.

After a rising vote of thanks to the retiring secretary in appreciation of his fifteen years of service, the meeting adjourned.

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