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Minutes of Board Meeting March 20, 1964

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the K.H.S.A.A. office, Lexington, on Friday morning, March 20, 1964. The meeting was called to order by President Cecil A. Thornton at 9:00, with all Board members and Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford present.

Sherman Gish moved, seconded by Preston Holland, that the reading of the January 25th meeting be waived since the members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported the results of the recent balloting for Board membership in Section 7 and Section 8 as follows: Section 7-Morton Combs 28, Clinton B. Hammonds 12, James A. Pursifull 6, Sam Potter 2; Section 8 - Oran C. Teater 53.

There was a discussion of the plan currently used in the selection of State Basketball Tournament officials. The Commissioner stated that he as State Tournament manager had full authority under tournament regulations to set up any plan which he believed desirable in the selection of State Tournament officials, and that, if the Board had any suggestions for a change in the plan of selecting officials for the tournament, he would be very glad to put them into effect. Foster J. Sanders moved, seconded by Don Davis, that the President be authorized to appoint a committee to study a possible change in the plan of selecting State Tournament officials. The motion was carried unanimously. President Thornton appointed Directors Davis, Dorsey, Holland, and Sanders as members of the Committee.

There was a discussion of new proposals to be presented by the Board of Control to the forthcoming Delegate Assembly. Don Davis moved, seconded by Don R. Rawlings, that the following proposals be presented by the Board of Control to the Delegate Assembly:

PROPOSAL I - The Board of Control proposes that "nineteenth" be substituted for "twentieth" in By-Law 4, this change to become effective on July 1, 1967.

PROPOSAL II - The Board of Control proposes that the following be added as Article VIII, Section 3-d, of the Constitution: "If the contract for a football game includes the expression 'corresponding date,' Thanksgiving Day shall be the date from which the corresponding date shall be determined. This interpretation shall take effect in 1966."

PROPOSAL III - The Board of Control proposes the following changes in the regulations concerning football practice:

A - Amend the second paragraph of By-Law 27, to read as follows: "Any player, to be eligible for the first game, shall have taken part in a minimum of ten practice periods extending over a period of ten days during the three weeks preceding the first game.

B - Add a section to By-Law 28 to read as follows: "Prior to the football season a team may have only one scrimmage, or practice game, or gridorama game with players other than members of the squad."

By unanimous vote the Board agreed to submit the three proposals.

The Commissioner reported that he had suspended three member schools from the K.H.S.A.A. for short periods of time since the January meeting of the Board.

The Paul G. Blazer High School of Ashland was suspended for a period of three weeks, beginning February 9, 1964, and placed on probation for a period of one year because of violation of the Association's Sportsmanship Rule by certain school representatives during the Ashland-Russell basketball game played at Ashland on January 28, 1964. The Commissioner stated that he had also placed on probation all students of both the Paul G. Blazer High School and the

Russell High School who had taken part in the fighting during the game, with the provision that, if the boys are seniors, their probation runs to the end of the current school year; and that, if the boys are under-classmen, their probation is for a period of one year.

The Trinity High School of Louisville was suspended for a period of one week, beginning February 19, 1964, because a Trinity student, Joe Guest, was allowed to represent Trinity in four basketball games at a time when he was ineligible under Association regulations. The Commissioner stated that he believed that the use of an ineligible player by Trinity school officials was due to a misinterpretation of Association regulations, and that he considered the suspension of the school mandatory.

The Grant County High School was suspended from February 19, 1964, until the end of the regular basketball season because Bobby Kells, a second team basketball player, had been allowed to represent his school when he was ineligible under the provisions of the Association's Residence Rule.

Foster J. Sanders read a letter from Executive Director James W. Browitt of the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center, Louisville, stating that the 1965 date for the State Basketball Tournament was being held. Mr. Browitt stated that the 1966 date is open, and that there would possibly be a conflict between the State Tournament and the N.C.A.A. finals if the Board of Control decided to return the 1966 tournament to Louisville. Mr. Browitt further stated that the 1966 date for the State Tournament at Louisville would be available to the Board of Control if the Board decided to locate the 1966 tournament in Louisville, and that, if no specific arrangements concerning the possible site of the 1966 tournament at Louisville are made prior to the N.C.A.A. Summer Meeting held in July, he will invite the N.C.A.A. to hold its basketball finals in Louisville in 1966. After a short discussion of certain State Tournament problems, Foster J. Sanders moved, seconded by Sherman Gish, that the 1966 State High School Basketball Tournament be held in Freedom Hall, Louisville; that Louisville continue to be the tournament site until Lexington facilities are adequate; and that the vote on the site be taken by secret ballot. Don Davis moved, seconded by Don R. Rawlings, that the motion be tabled, and that a discussion of future State Tournament sites be placed on the agenda of the Board of Control April meeting. The motion was carried.

Ralph C. Dorsey moved, seconded by Oran C. Teater, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning January 25, 1964, and ending March 16, 1964, be approved. The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

H. Thornton

Secretar