

Minutes of Board Meeting

July 27, 1979

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at Kenlake State Park, Aurora, Kentucky, on Friday morning, July 27, 1979. The meeting was called to order by President Jack Burkich at 10:00 A.M. Present were Board members Derval Barriger, Zeb Blankenship, Joseph McPherson, J. D. Minnehan, Norman Passmore, Denzil J. Ramsey, Glendon Ravenscraft, Barney Thweatt; Commissioner Tom Mills, and Assistant Commissioners Brigid DeVries, Louis Stout, and Billy V. Wise. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by J. D. Minnehan.

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Denzil J. Ramsey moved, seconded by Norman Passmore, to accept the minutes of the May meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board of Control held the election of officers for 1979-80. J. D. Minnehan nominated Barney Thweatt and Zeb Blankenship for President and Vice President respectively. Norman Passmore moved, seconded by Denzil J. Ramsey, that the nominations cease. The motion passed unanimously.

Jack Burkich presented a plaque to the outgoing Board members in appreciation of their loyal service to the Association during their term as members of the Board of Control. Glendon Ravenscraft and Denval Barriger accepted the plaques with words of thanks to the Board members.

Jack Burkich thanked the Board members for their support during the past year and then turned the chair over to the newly elected President, Barney Thweatt.

President Thweatt introduced Robie Harper, representing Regions 3 and 4, and Fairce O. Woods representing Regions 9 and 10, newly elected members to the Board of Control.

Commissioner Mills introduced Assistant Commissioner Brigid L. DeVries and welcomed her to the Staff of the K.H.S.A.A.

Board members Jack Burkich, Barney Thweatt, J. D. Minnehan and Joseph McPherson gave reports on the National Federation Meeting held at Cambridge, Mass., on July 4-7, 1979.

Commissioner Mills presented to the Board copies of the material completed for the auditor and also copies of the 1979-80 budget report. He asked the Board to study the material and called their attention to an item in the receipts and disbursements of the Boys' State Basketball Tournament of \$8,000 that was deposited to the Girls' Basketball account so the participating schools in the tournament could receive the \$500.00 incidental expense allowance, this item being re-deposited in the Boys' Basketball Tournament account at a later date. He also called their attention to a new form that the State Department of Education has requested that the K.H.S.A.A. use in reporting their budget. Norman Passmore moved, seconded by Joseph McPherson, that the budget and audit report be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

President Thweatt appointed the following committees:

Basketball Committee--Chairman J. D. Minnehan, Vice-Chairman Jack Burkich, Norman Passmore, Robie Harper, Fairce Woods

Football Committee--Chairman Jack Burkich, Vice-Chairman Joseph McPherson, Fairce Woods, Norman Passmore, Pete Grigsby

Minor Sports Committee--Chairman D. J. Ramsey, Vice-Chairman Barney Thweatt, Joseph McPherson, Robie Harper, Pete Grigsby

Trophy Committee--Chairman Norman Passmore, Vice-Chairman Zeb Blankenship, Brigid DeVries, Billy Wise

Staff Committee--Chairman Zeb Blankenship, Vice-Chairman Pete Grigsby, J. D. Minnehan, Jack Burkich, Norman Passmore

Retirement Committee--Chairman Barney Thweatt, Vice-Chairman D. J. Ramsey, Zeb Blankenship, Pete Grigsby

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East Eligibility Committee--Chairman Pete Grigsby, Vice-Chairman Norman Passmore, Fairce Woods, Jack Burkich, Zeb Blankenship

West Eligibility Committee--Chairman Joseph McPherson, Vice-Chairman J. D. Minnehan, Robie Harper, D. J. Ramsey, Barney Thweatt.

Commissioner Mills reported on the eligibility case of Roger Roberts, a student at Virgie High School. Roger is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 4, Age. After a discussion by the Board of Control, Joseph McPherson moved, seconded by J. D. Minnehan, that By-Law 4 not be waived in this case. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills explained that the State Department of Education has revised Article XII of the K.H.S.A.A. Constitution. The Article now reads as follows:

Management of Interscholastic Athletics - Sec. 1. The State Board for Elementary and Secondary Education designates the Kentucky High School Athletic Association as the sole organization to manage interscholastic athletics in schools which are members in good standing of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. Each local Board of Education is responsible to the State Board for Elementary and Secondary Education for interscholastic athletics in Grades K-8. Sec. 2. The Kentucky High School Athletic Association will submit annually the rules, regulations and by-laws to the State Board for Elementary and Secondary Education together with any proposed changes thereto. Sec. 3. Appeals from the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Board of Control to the State Board for Elementary and Secondary Education shall follow the procedures as provided by 701 KAR 5:020 Sections 2 through 5.

After a lengthy discussion concerning the enrollment of new schools in the K.H.S.A.A., it was recommended that a new school formed from schools under the auspices of the same board of education of a member school will be received into the K.H.S.A.A., upon receipt of application and a copy of the operational approval of the State Department for Elementary and Secondary Education. Schools which originate from sources other than herein described will remain in a candidacy status for a two-year period, with a similar delay in participation in championship tournament play. Robie Harper moved, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that the recommendation of the Board of Control concerning new school memberships be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills read letters from the principals of Spencer County and Anderson County high schools requesting that their school be changed from Basketball District 29 to District 30. After careful consideration, the Board declined to approve the requests. They will re-consider these requests upon completion of the proposed additional high school in Bullitt County.

Mr. Mills discussed with the Board the requests from the men's and women's coaches associations and the athletic directors association concerning their interest in joining the Federation Fund with which the K.H.S.A.A. carries (at no cost to the member schools) a \$75,000 catastrophe insurance and a five million liability policy. Norman Passmore moved, seconded by J. D. Minnehan, that their requests be granted. The motion carried unanimously. The premium for this insurance will be paid by each of the named associations based upon their total membership.

Jack Burkich introduced Supt. James Caudill of Hazard City Schools, Prin. James W. Fields of M. C. Napier High School, and Elwood cornett of

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the Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative. Mr. Cornett, Mr. Caudill, and Mr. Fields made presentations to the Board concerning the regulation of spring sports and sub-state basketball tournaments. They ask that the K.H.S.A.A. consider placing season limitations on spring sports to include the number of games or activities scheduled. They also requested that the Board conduct a survey among member schools to determine their interest in changing the present playoff system in basketball to one composed of sub-state tournaments. This request was referred to the Basketball Committee for consideration. President Thweatt thanked the group for appearing before the Board and assured them that consideration would be given to their requests.

Commissioner Mills discussed with the Board the numerous inquiries he has received from Boards of Education and high schools concerning By-Law 29, Requirements of Coaches. After a lengthy discussion by the Board members, Norman Passmore moved, seconded by Denzil J. Ramsey, that the Board decline to waive the requirements of By-Law 29, but permit the employment of personnel that hold valid teaching certificates, are employed as permanent substitute teachers, and assured of teaching a minimum of three regular periods of classes, gymnasium, study halls, or other activity assignments within the school's schedule as coaches of athletic teams. The motion carried unanimously.

Upon a motion by Robie Harper, seconded by Jack Burkich, the regular meeting adjourned at this time for lunch. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Control Meeting re-convened at 1:20 P.M.

Assistant Commissioner Billy Wise discussed with the Board the need to raise the fees for mileage for all officials. Jack Burkich made a motion, seconded by Norman Passmore, that officials be paid 15¢ per mile for all necessary travel to officiate an assigned game. The assigning secretaries shall assign officials from the same geographical area when possible and only when he deems it necessary shall a school be required to pay for more than one car. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wise presented the results of a survey taken concerning the assigning of basketball officials. After a lengthy discussion and consideration of the results of the survey, Joseph McPherson made a motion, seconded by Fairce O. Woods, that basketball officials be assigned to officiate within the district and region where they are members of the local association. However, with the approval of the Commission the assigning secretary may assign officials outside the region if he deems it necessary. The motion carried with a vote of 6-2 with one member not voting.

Assistant Commissioner Brigid DeVries reported to the Board the results of her Volleyball Committee Meeting. Information from the blue statement forms indicate that about forty-seven schools will sponsor women's volleyball teams. The Committee will meet in August or early September to determine the site of the tournament to be held on October 26-27.

Assistant Commissioner Louis Stout presented the recommendations of the Wrestling Committee to the Board and asked that they be approved. The recommendations were as follows: The present eight regions will become eight districts with the top four wrestlers in each weight class advancing to the region. Two districts will be joined into a region which would reduce the total number of regions to four. The top four wrestlers in each weight

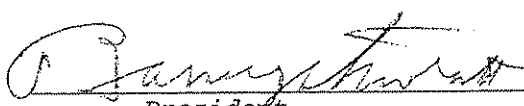
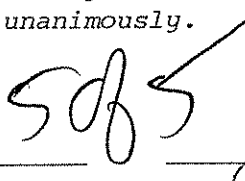
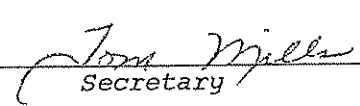
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class in each region would advance to the State Tournament. Also, the Committee recommends that to certify, the team must be involved in a shoulder to shoulder weigh-in on the day of the meet or tournament. Norman Passmore moved, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that the recommendations of the Wrestling Committee be accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

J. D. Minnehan moved, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning May 1, 1979, and ending June 30, 1979, be allowed. The motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Board was scheduled for October 13, 1979, at the K.H.S.A.A. Building, Lexington, at 9:00 A.M.

Zeb Blankenship moved, seconded by Norman Passmore, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

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President Secretary