

Minutes of Board Meeting July 27, 1963

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The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at Kenlake Hotel, Kentucky Lake State Park, on Saturday morning, July 27, 1963. The meeting was called to order by retiring President K.E. Gillaspie at 9:00, with Board members, Don Davis, Ralph C. Dorsey, Sherman Gish, Preston Holland, Don R. Rawlings, Oran E. Teater, and Cecil A. Thornton; Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford, and Assistant Commissioner J. B. Mansfield present.

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Preston Holland moved, seconded by Don Davis, that the reading of the minutes of the April 19th meeting be waived, since the members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Gillaspie stated that the next order of business was the election of the president and vice-president of the Board of Control. Oran C. Teater nominated Cecil A. Thornton for the presidency of the Board of Control. Preston Holland moved, seconded by Don Davis, that the nominations cease, and that Mr. Thornton be elected by acclamation. The motion was carried, with Mr. Thornton not voting.

Don R. Rawlings, nominated Oran C. Teater for the Board Vice-Presidency. Don Davis moved, seconded by Ralph C. Dorsey, that the nominations cease and that Mr. Teater be elected by acclamation. The motion was carried, with Mr. Teater not voting.

Preston Holland stated that the outgoing officers had served the Association well, and were to be complimented on their work. Sherman Gish echoed these sentiments, as did other members of the Board. Mr. Gillaspie, the one retiring Board member, responded with statements concerning his pleasure at having the opportunity to serve the K.H.S.A.A. for eight years and to work with the various directors with whom he had been associated during that time. President Thornton welcomed to the Board Assistant Superintendent Don Davis of the Kenton County Schools.

The Commissioner made a report to the Board on the receipts and disbursements of the K.H.S.A.A. during the year 1962-63. Copies of the audit, recently prepared by Johnson and Lusk of Louisville, Certified Public Accountants, had been mailed to members of the Board. Total funds on hand June 30, 1963, were reported as being \$139,052.80. The Commissioner stated that the complete breakdown on receipts and expenses appearing in the audit, would be printed in a forthcoming issue of the magazine. Oran C. Teater moved, seconded by Preston Holland, that the audit report of the Commissioner be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner presented a suggested K.H.S.A.A. budget for the 1963-64 school year, with estimated receipts of \$125,700.00 and estimated disbursements of \$128,775.00. Sherman Gish moved, seconded by Ralph C. Dorsey, that the 1963-64 K.H.S.A.A. budget be adopted as presented by the Commissioner. The motion was carried unanimously.

Ralph C. Dorsey, speaking for the Calendar Committee, reported to the Board that his Committee had made several changes in the 1963-64 calendar of athletic activities, compared with previous calendars, endeavoring to schedule more spring district, regional, and state tournaments and meets on weekends and later in the school year in line with recommendations made by numerous school administrators throughout the state.

Sherman Gish gave a report on the recent National Federation Annual Meeting, held at the Lake Placid Club, New York State.

Ralph C. Dorsey moved, seconded by Don R. Rawlings, that the fall meeting of the Board of Control be held in Lexington on September 28. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that the expenses of conducting the K.H.S.A.A. swimming program continued each year to be considerably in excess of the budgeted item. He stated that the State Swimming Committee to date had been unable to set up regional meets in swimming, with qualifying swimmers from these meets advancing to the state finals and having their expenses paid as is true in the other sports sponsored by the Association. Don Davis moved, seconded by Sherman Gish, that the expenses of swimmers representing their schools in the state meets for Class A boys, Class B boys, and girls, be reimbursed on a fifty percent basis. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that out-of-season basketball and football scrimmages and games appear to be on the increase in Kentucky. Members of the Board asked the Commissioner to give his interpretation of Association regulations with respect to possible violations of these regulations by member school principals allowing their athletes to take part in these contests. The Commissioner stated that the football season is defined as being on the opening date of school and ending with the playing of the last regularly scheduled game, and the basketball season is defined as beginning on the opening date of school and ending on the final day of the State Tournament. He further stated that all out-of-season games should be considered post-season games, that out-of-season scrimmages between teams representing K.H.S.A.A. member schools should be considered games, and that only the Board of Control has the authority to sanction out-of-season games and scrimmages. He said that this interpretation would probably result in a tightening of the Board of Control sanction policy, and he asked for an opinion from each Board member concerning whether or not this interpretation should be established. It was the opinion of the Board members that this rules interpretation by the Commissioner was entirely correct. Oran C. Teater moved, seconded by Sherman Gish, that the Board adopt a policy in line with the interpretation concerning out-of-season football and basketball contests given by the Commissioner, and that the administrators of K.H.S.A.A. member schools be notified immediately concerning this policy in order that the information might be passed on to their football and basketball coaches. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that certain members of the Shelby County High School and Henry County High School basketball squads had engaged in a scrimmage on July 5, 1963, and it was his opinion that the boys involved had engaged in a non-sanctioned post-season basketball game, thus making themselves ineligible for high school competition. It was the opinion of the Board members that the players had made themselves ineligible by taking part in the practice session mentioned. The Commissioner stated that he did not believe that the principals or coaches of the two schools involved were in any way attempting to break the rules of the K.H.S.A.A. It was his opinion that they had misinterpreted Association regulations

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and previous Board policy. He recommended that the eligibility of the Shelby County High School and Henry County High School players involved in the basketball practice session conducted on July 5, 1963, be restored by the Board, under authority given the Board in Article IV, Section 3-d-7, of the K.H.S.A.A. Constitution. Sherman Gish moved, seconded by Don Davis, that the eligibility of the Shelby County and Henry County players be restored. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that a basketball redistricting problem had developed in District 40, since it now appeared that there would be only three schools in this district for 1963-64 due to consolidation. Don Davis moved, seconded by Don R. Rawlings, that Millersburg Military Institute be moved from District 37 to District 40, and that the Bryan Station High School be moved from District 43 to District 37. The motion was carried unanimously.

Ralph C. Dorsey discussed some of the problems of junior high athletics in Kentucky. He stated that it was his opinion that at some time in the near future state-wide regulations for athletics in this area of education will be necessary.

Don R. Rawlings moved, seconded by Oran C. Teater, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning April 19, 1963, and ending July 19, 1963, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Cecil Thornton  
President

Sheila D. Sanford  
Secretary