

Minutes of Board Meeting

September 25, 1971

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the K.H.S.A.A. Building, Lexington, on Saturday morning, September 25, 1971. The meeting was called to order by President Morton Combs at 9:00 with all Board members; Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford, and Assistant Commissioners J. B. Mansfield and Billy V. Wise present. The invocation was given by James T. Dotson.

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W. P. Wheeler moved, seconded by William C. Doan, that the reading of the minutes of the July 30th meeting be waived, since members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously. 284

Chairman Tom Mills of the Building Committee reported that work was progressing very well on the new K.H.S.A.A. building although it is possible that the building will not be ready for occupancy until some time in December due to the fact that the wall paneling and certain other construction materials had been held up on delivery.

President Combs announced the appointment of the following committees for 1971-72:

Personnel and Policy--Chairman Richard Vincent, William C. Doan, Roy L. Winchester, (The President and the Commissioner are ex-officio members of this committee.)

Building--Chairman Tom Mills, J. C. Cantrell, J. B. Mansfield (The President and the Commissioner are ex-officio members of this committee.)

Trophy--Chairman J. B. Mansfield, Theo. A. Sanford, Billy V. Wise (The President is an ex-officio member of this committee.)

Retirement--Chairman James T. Dotson, W. P. Wheeler (The President is an ex-officio member of this committee.)

Swimming--Chairman Jack Thompson (Louisville), Mrs. Wilbur Bell (Cynthiana), Miss Sandra Blackburn (Lexington), Earl Browning (Louisville), E. W. Craik (Louisville), Don Davis (Independence), Miss Sheila Gilreath (Ashland), Miss Dot Kirkpatrick (Richmond), Edgar McNabb (Ft. Mitchell), Alfred M. Reece (Lexington)

Wrestling--Chairman Orville Williams (Louisville), Jerry Abney (Independence), Will D. Evans (Louisville), Marshall Patterson (Ft. Campbell), Robert Weenolsen (Louisville), Bro. Joseph Wilhelm (Newport), Paul Young (Louisville)

Gymnastics--Chairman Bernard Johnson (Lexington), Mrs. Susan Burckle (Lexington), James "Cap" Caudill (Louisville), Andy Hopkins (Lexington), George Jefferson (Louisville), Mrs. Sheila Kuhlman (Louisville), James Nance (Lexington), Bob Wason (Louisville)

The Commissioner stated that he had scheduled the Class AAA Football Finals to be played in Louisville on November 19, and the Classes A and AA Football Finals to be played in Lexington on November 26. The Board saw no objection to these dates.

The Commissioner reported that the first referendum, mailed out on August 12, 1971, providing that the Board be increased in number to nine members, with the additional member to be elected by Jefferson County principals, had failed of passage by a vote of 153-127.

The Commissioner reported that the second referendum, mailed out on September 10, 1971, giving the Board authority to appoint annually to full membership on the Board from the state at large a member of the minority race, passed by a vote of 230-57.

The Commissioner, with the assistance of Assistant Commissioner Mansfield and Directors Tom Mills and William C. Doan, reported at length on the case in federal court against the K.H.S.A.A. and the Commissioner, which was held in

Lexington on September 14 and September 16, 1971; and on the decree issued by Federal District Court Judge Mac Swinford. There was a lengthy discussion of the decree and its implications. The Board accepted the decree and will take steps to implement the decree as soon as possible. The Commissioner was authorized to accept applications for the position of the third assistant in the K.H.S.A.A. office. The Board will seek further information from Judge Swinford in order to carry out other directives of the decree including the selection of two black Board members. 3084

The Commissioner stated that he had three proposals to present to the Board in connection with the present financial position of the Association. He stated that these proposals are made necessary because of the cost and legal fees involved in the federal court case and because of the additional money needed to underwrite the cost of the additional staff member and other costs to the Association inherent in the court directives.

The Commissioner's first proposal was that the Board action, taken during the April 15th meeting, providing an insurance subsidy for 1971-72 to each member school of the Association, be rescinded, with the Board continuing to underwrite the cost of the catastrophe insurance policy. Richard Vincent moved, seconded by James T. Dotson, that the proposal presented by the Commissioner be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

With respect to the statement concerning finances made in the state regulations of baseball, cross country, golf, gymnastics, rifle, tennis, track, and wrestling, the Commissioner stated that, in his opinion, the paying of expenses of state tournament teams and individuals by the Association should not be mandatory. He recommended that "may" be substituted for "will" in the paragraphs referring to finances in the sports mentioned; and that in Regional Track Rule XIII "awards" be substituted for "medals." James T. Dotson moved, seconded by Tom Mills, that the second proposal be accepted and made a part of K.H.S.A.A. regulations. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner's third proposal related to the possible need of the Association taking a small percentage of district and regional basketball tournament receipts. He proposed that the first sentence of Basketball Tournament Rule VI-A be amended to read as follows: "A percentage of tournament receipts may be required annually by the Board of Control for the Association budget. The participating schools may adopt by a majority vote any plan which they desire for the distribution of the remaining receipts." Roy L. Winchester moved, seconded by William C. Doan, that this proposal of the Commissioner be accepted and made a part of the Basketball Tournament Regulations. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner read a letter from Ath. Dir. Bowman Davenport of the Clarkson High School, requesting that the state of Kentucky be divided into three classes for the sport of cross country, this classification to start in the fall of 1971 if possible. It was the opinion of the Board and the Commissioner that there are not enough schools sponsoring cross country at this time to justify the three classes recommended by Mr. Davenport. Also, plans for the 1971 regionals have already been made, and it will not be feasible to change the classes for the current season of a sport which is now in progress. The Commissioner stated that it is probable that there may be three classes for cross country in 1972.

The date of December 17 was set for the next regular meeting of the Board of Control, this meeting to be held in Lexington.

James T. Dotson moved, seconded by Tom Mills, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning July 1, 1971, and ending August 31, 1971, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Morton Combs
President

Herb Layton
Secretary