

Minutes of Board Meeting

January 22 - 23, 1976

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at Stouffers Inn, Louisville, on January 22 and 23, 1976. The meeting on the 23rd was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by President Louie Martin. Present were Board members Derval Barriger, Jack Fultz, George Sauer, Eldon Davidson, Arthur Hawkins, Frank Simpson, Ray Story and Gene Sell; Acting Commissioner Tom Mills, Assistant Commissioners Louis Stout and Billy V. Wise. Mr. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by George Sauer.

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Jack Fultz moved, seconded by Ray Story, that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be waived since members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Board member George Sauer, Brother John Wills Principal of St. Xavier High School, and Mr. Irvine Rice, Westport High School, came before the Board to present a proposal for re-districting the Class AAAA football schools in Jefferson County for the 1977 and 1978 seasons. After hearing the comments on the proposal from the representatives, and after a lengthy discussion, Ray Story made the motion that the plan be adopted for the 1977 and 1978 seasons. Derval Barriger seconded the motion and all members voted aye. President Louie Martin commended Mr. Sauer, Brother Wills and Mr. Rice for their presentation and expressed his appreciation to the member schools for their cooperation. The adopted proposal will be included in a future copy of the Athlete.

Some discussion was then given to a request that the size of the court be reduced to high school regulation for the girls state basketball tournament. Board member Eldon Davidson explained that he had discussed this with Mr. Don Combs, Athletic Director, Eastern Kentucky University, and was assured by Mr. Combs that this could not be done.

Mr. Stout requested permission from the Board to poll the schools for possible changes in the present playoff system in wrestling. Mr. Stout was instructed to conduct the poll and report the results to the Board for consideration.

The meeting then adjourned to be called to order Friday morning at 9:30, January 23, 1976.

The January 23 meeting was called to order by President Martin with the same members in attendance. The invocation was given by Arthur Hawkins.

Mr. Mills presented a letter to the Board from Dr. Fred Williams, Superintendent of Forth Thomas City Schools, requesting that the Board pay attorney fees in the amount of \$802.72 to Mr. Robert Ruberg for legal service rendered in the case of Gall vs K.H.S.A.A. and Fort Thomas Board of Education. The K.H.S.A.A. also received a statement from Mr. Ruberg in the amount of \$300.00 and one from K.H.S.A.A. Board attorney Mr. Calvert T. Roszell in the amount of \$500.00. Frank Simpson made the motion that the K.H.S.A.A. pay only that portion of the cost that was billed to the K.H.S.A.A. Ray Story seconded the motion and it passed by a vote of 8 to 1. Mr. Gene Sell opposed the motion.

The eligibility case of Betty Baird was presented to the Board for consideration. Betty is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 6, Section 1. She represented Ballard High School in varsity sports as an eighth grade student at Ballard Junior High School during the 1974-75 school year. She transferred to Kentucky Country Day School to begin the 1975-76 school year. After considering the case, Gene Sell made the motion that By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule, not be waived in this case. Arthur Hawkins seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

Mr. Mills presented a proposed Due Process Procedure whereby aggrieved parties may appeal decisions of the Commissioner or Board of Control. Following discussion of the proposal George Sauer moved that the Due Process Procedure be adopted, effective July 1, 1976, that it be published three (3) times per year in the "Athlete," and that it be included in the

