

Minutes of Board Meeting                      October 7, 1978

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the K.H.S.A.A. Office, Lexington, Kentucky, on Saturday morning, October 7, 1978. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. with all Board members, Commissioner Tom Mills, Assistant Commissioners Louis Stout and Billy V. Wise present. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by Norman Passmore.

Zeb Blankenship moved, seconded by Derval Barriger, that the minutes of the July 28 meeting be approved as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mills introduced Pete Grigsby, Jr., Superintendent of the Floyd County Schools, and gave the results of the recent election to fill the vacancy on the Board of Control created by the resignation of Paul Trimble, Paintsville. Mr. Grigsby received 17 votes and Mr. Frank Welch of Belfry High School received 14 votes.

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Mr. Mills read a letter of resignation from Assistant Commissioner Dianne Caines. Norman Passmore moved, seconded by J. D. Minnehan, that the Board accept the resignation of Mrs. Caines. The motion passed unanimously. President Burkich instructed the Staff Committee to review the job description of the Assistant Commissioner position to be filled before recommending a replacement to fill this vacancy.

Commissioner Mills read the correspondence on the eligibility case of Sherri Huff. Sherri, a student at Apollo High School, is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 6, Section 1. Following a presentation by Mrs. Darleen Huff and a lengthy discussion by members of the Board, Barney Thweatt moved, seconded by Norman Passmore, that By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule, not be waived in this case. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mills read letters to the Board concerning the Mike Higgins eligibility case. Mike, a student at Dixie Heights High School, is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule and By-Law 5, Section 4, Preceding Semester Rule. After a presentation by Mr. James Higgins and others present, and after a lengthy discussion by members of the Board, J. D. Minnehan moved, seconded by Barney Thweatt, that By-Law 6, Section 1, and By-Law 5, Section 4, not be waived in this case. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mills read the correspondence on the eligibility case of Tommy Vimont. Tommy, a student at Tates Creek High School, is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 5, Section 4, Preceding Semester Rule. Following an excellent presentation by Tommy, his wife and others who spoke on his behalf, the members of the Board discussed the case at length. Barney Thweatt moved, seconded by Denzil Ramsey, that By-Law 5, Section 4, Preceding Semester Rule, not be waived in this case. The motion passed with a vote of 6-3.

Commissioner Mills then presented a letter written by Mr. Tony Lanham, requesting that By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule, be waived in favor of his daughter, Christian Lanham. After discussing the request, Zeb Blankenship moved, seconded by Denval Barriger, that the Board decline to waive By-Law 6, Section 1, in this case. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mills read a letter from Prin. Bill Van Winkle, Owensboro High School, requesting that the Board of Control grant another hearing in the Cully Nelson eligibility case. After a discussion during which it was pointed out that the Board had heard this case three times previously and since there was no new evidence presented in the case, J.D. Minnehan moved, seconded by Norman Passmore, that the request be denied. The motion passed unanimously.

With the increasing enrollment in some of our football schools, Mr. Mills discussed the fact that there will be a number of changes to be made in the re-alignment for the football school districts and regions for the 1979 and 1980 seasons. He furnished copies of the re-alignment previously agreed upon by the Board and gave them a list of the proposed changes. A more detailed report will be made when the increased enrollments of other schools become available. Glen Ravenscraft moved, seconded by Norman Passmore, that the Board approve the re-alignment as presented by Mr. Mills. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the problems member schools are having with re-scheduling football games under the new playoff system. Following the discussion, Barney Thweatt moved, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that

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those schools assigned to Class AAAA or sub-divided districts will begin the championship playoff on the first weekend in November in 1979. Therefore, they should leave that date open on their schedule or enter into a contractual agreement to the effect that any game scheduled on this date shall be cancelled by mutual agreement should either one or both schools qualify for participation in the district championship game. The motion carried unanimously. Championship play in all other districts and classes begin on the second weekend in November.

Commissioner Mills read a letter from the Kentucky Association of School Administrators requesting that the Delegate Assembly of the K.H.S.A.A. meet in conjunction with their Association on August 5-7, 1979. The Board, after a discussion, agreed that the spring date is more desirable for the K.H.S.A.A. member schools and asked the Commissioner to suggest to the KASA that the K.H.S.A.A. have a representative in attendance at each of the KASA meetings.

Mr. Mills presented letters received from Coach Jack Upchurch, Ashland, and Prin. Phil Back, Dawson Springs, requesting that the Board of Control waive By-Law 27, Section 4, Practice Games. It was the opinion of the Board members that they do not have the authority to set this rule aside.

Mr. Mills recommended that Owensboro be the site for the 1979 baseball tournament. Barney Thweatt moved, seconded by Derval Barriger, that the Board of Control approve this recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

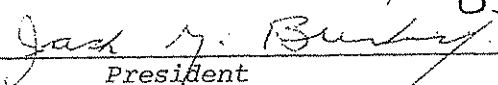

Following a discussion on the filming of final games of basketball tournaments and football playoffs, Barney Thweatt moved, seconded by Joe McPherson, that the final games in both the boys' and girls' basketball tournaments and in all classes in football be filmed. Two copies are to be made with one copy being made available to member schools at a nominal rental fee and the other being kept on file in the K.H.S.A.A. office. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Control set the next meeting date for December 23, 1978, at 10:00 A.M. at the K.H.S.A.A. Building, Lexington.

Derval Barriger moved, seconded by Norman Passmore, that all bills for the period beginning July 1, 1978, and ending September 30, 1978, be allowed. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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