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The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held in the Rathskeller of the Seelbach Hotel, Louisville, on Thursday afternoon, April 16, 1942.

President Russell E. Bridges called the meeting to order at 2:15 P.M., with fifty regular elected delegates or alternates present.

Robert Drennan moved, seconded by R. A. Demunbrun, that the minutes of the 1941 meeting of the association, which had been previously sent to all member schools, be approved without being read. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Secretary-Treasurer gave the following report on the activities of the association during the 1941-42 school year:

Two schools were suspended from the association during 1941-42 for the remainder of the school year, the Rugby University School of Louisville and the Oneida Institute.

Five hundred thirty schools joined the association this year, which is eleven less than the membership last year. One hundred seventeen schools are listed as playing football, which is a slight increase in number from last year. Eleven of these schools indicated that they were playing six-man football. Five hundred twenty-two schools entered district tournaments this year.

Fifty-nine of sixty district tournament reports have been received, showing total receipts of \$44,211.75, which is an increase over the receipts of the district tournaments last year. Twenty-five districts used the state plan for the distribution of profits.

Receipts of the sixteen regional tournaments were \$18,049.58, which is a slight decrease from last year's regional tournament receipts. Eight regions used the state plan for distribution of profits.

The gross receipts of the state tournament to date are \$14,359.60. Program advertising and expected contributions from Louisville merchants should bring this total to approximately \$15,000. Profit to the association from the tournament should be \$7,500 or more. An itemized report of tournament receipts and disbursements will appear in a forthcoming issue of the association magazine.

Five hundred two basketball officials and one hundred eighty-two football officials registered with the K. H. S. A. A. this year. This was a decrease in number from last year. There were nine football rules interpretation clinics held under the direction of Prof. M. E. Potter of Lexington. Football rules examinations were held for officials a short time after the clinics were conducted. Fifty-six officials took the examination, with eight receiving the approved rating and nine receiving the certified rating. Sixteen basketball rules interpretation clinics were conducted by Barney E. Wilson of Barbourville. Fifty-seven basketball officials took the rules examination which was held at forty sites. Fourteen officials received the approved rating and fifteen received the certified rating. The sixteen employment bureaus for officials functioned again this year.

Ninety-seven schools insured their athletes under the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund. One thousand two hundred eighty boys were insured for football, and one thousand one hundred fifty-nine for basketball. One hundred fifty injuries were reported. One hundred sixteen claims, totaling \$1,613.75, have been paid to date. There are several spring football claims pending. The annual audit will show details of receipts and expenditures for all K. H. S. A. A. accounts.

The proposals included in the mimeographed list sent to all member schools and printed in the April issue of the magazine were then considered.

W. J. Foster moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that Proposal I, providing for a maximum of twenty basketball games to be played by a member school after December 31st and prior to the district tournament, be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by Robert Drennan, that Proposal II, concerning the selection of officials by member schools of the K. H. S. A. A., be accepted. The motion was carried.

W. L. Holland moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that Proposal III, setting up Rules and Regulations governing track meets of the K. H. S. A. A., be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Robert Drennan, that Proposal IV, doubling the number of tournament districts and providing that only district tournament winners advance to the regionals, be accepted. The motion was lost.

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L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by W. J. Foster, that Proposal V, providing that any boy who has ever reported for fall practice in football shall not receive further instruction or participate in football from December 1st to the closing day of school, be tabled. The motion was carried.

H. B. Gray moved, seconded by Paul Stevens, that Proposal VI, providing that any boy who has ever reported for basketball practice during the regular season shall not receive further instruction or participate in basketball from the time the school is eliminated in the district, regional, or state meet to the closing day of school, be tabled. The motion was carried.

W. J. Foster, President of the Kentucky Coaches Association, withdrew Proposal VII, which had been submitted by that organization. John Heber moved, seconded by Robert Drennan, that Proposal VII, providing that spring football and basketball practice be eliminated, be accepted. The motion was lost.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by John Heber, that Proposal VIII, providing that no student who has been enrolled in high school eight semesters shall thereafter be eligible with the one exception, where the end of his eighth semester comes in the middle of the basketball season, and in that case he be allowed to finish out the season, be tabled. The motion was carried.

J. Foley Snyder moved, seconded by R. B. Piper, Jr., that Proposal IX, providing that a student may be eligible in his ninth semester if his first semester in high school was the second semester of the school year and if the student has not participated in any first team game or meet during his first semester, be accepted. The motion was lost.

H. B. Gray moved, seconded by W. L. Holland, that Proposal X, providing that all contestants will be eligible to finish the semester in whatever sport they are engaged at the time they reach their twentieth birthday, be tabled. The motion was carried.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by H. B. Gray, that Proposal XI, providing that any boy who will become twenty years old on or before November 30th shall be ineligible for football during that year, and any boy who will become twenty years old between December 1st and the third Saturday of March, shall be ineligible for basketball during that school year, be tabled. The motion was carried.

R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by L. G. Shultz, that Proposal XII, providing that any contestant may participate in athletics eight semesters in high school rather than to become ineligible on his twentieth birthday, be tabled. The motion was carried.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by John Trapp, that Proposal XIII, providing that the teams eligible to participate in a regional tournament shall be the winners in the four districts constituting that region, be tabled. The motion was carried.

K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Robert Martin, that Proposal XIV, providing for the eligibility of students during the period covered by the report card rather than be a weekly eligibility report, be accepted. The motion was lost.

Cooksey Crafton moved, seconded by Tom Ellis, that Proposal XV, providing that basketball districts having more than eight teams participating in the district tournament be allowed to spend \$225.00 for overhead expenses, be tabled. The motion was carried.

W. L. Holland moved, seconded by M. E. Hearin, that Proposal XVI, providing that the superintendent, one coach, and one principal of each member school of the K. H. S. A. A. shall be issued a pass to the State Tournament, be accepted. The motion was carried.

Garrett Harrod moved, seconded by Robert Drennan, that Proposal XVII, providing that an official be employed to keep a shot chart on all of the games played in the state meet, be accepted. The motion was carried.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by James Deweese, that Proposal XVIII, providing that the teams eligible to participate in the regional tournament shall be the winners of the upper and lower brackets in each of the four districts constituting that region, and that the bracket winners shall not meet during the district tournament, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Earl D. Jones withdrew Proposal XIX, providing for the investment of \$5,000.00 of K. H. S. A. A. funds in Defense Savings Bonds, after the secretary reported that more than this amount had already been invested for the association. R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by W. L. Holland, that the secretary and the Board of Control be commended for investing a large part of the surplus funds of the association in defense bonds. The motion was carried unanimously.

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Brad Jones moved, seconded by John Heber, that Proposal XX, providing that no team shall be eligible to participate in the state tournament which has not played in at least five games in its district and regional tournaments, be tabled. The motion was carried.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by H. B. Gray, that Proposal XXI, providing that the Board of Control shall not sponsor post-season or all-star games, be tabled. The motion was carried.

W. J. Foster moved, seconded by James Deweese, that Proposal XXII, changing the length of term of the Board of Control directors, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Robert Martin moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that Proposal XXIII, referring to the term of office of the officers and directors of the K. H. S. A. A. and providing for an additional director, be amended by striking out the last two sentences of the proposal which provide that the president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer shall not serve for more than four consecutive years. The motion was carried unanimously. Robert Martin then moved, seconded by Garrett Harrod, that Proposal XXIII, providing for an additional member of the Board of Control, a term of two years for the officers, and that the four directors shall not be eligible to succeed themselves, be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Brad Jones moved, seconded by W. J. Foster, that Proposal XXIV, defining "undue influence" be accepted. The vote was 25-18 for the motion, but this was not the two-thirds majority necessary to amend the By-Laws, and the motion was declared lost.

Brad Jones moved, seconded by K. G. Gillaspie, that Proposal XXV, providing that officers and directors shall be principals or superintendents of member schools of the K. H. S. A. A. be tabled. The motion was carried.

Garrett Harrod was allowed to submit the following proposal: "Drawings for the Regional Tournament shall be so arranged that the two representatives from a district will be placed in opposite brackets. By the toss of a coin, the two representatives will determine the bracket in which they are to compete. Teams placed in the upper bracket will draw for positions I to IV, and lower bracket teams will draw for positions V to VIII." W. J. Foster moved, seconded by K. G. Gillaspie, that Mr. Harrod's proposal be tabled. The motion was lost. Robert Martin then moved, seconded by A. L. Fisher, that Mr. Harrod's proposal be accepted. The motion was carried.

The election of officers and directors was then held. K. G. Gillaspie nominated Russell E. Bridges for the office of President of the K. H. S. A. A. W. J. Foster moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that the nominations cease and that Russell E. Bridges be elected by acclamation. The motion was carried unanimously. Brad Jones nominated W. B. Owen for the office of Vice-President of the K. H. S. A. A. W. J. Foster moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that the nominations cease and that W. B. Owen be elected by acclamation. The motion was carried unanimously. Lowry Rains nominated J. Matt Sparkman for the office of director of the K. H. S. A. A., to represent regions 1, 2, 3 and 4. James B. Deweese moved seconded by Herbert Tye, that the nominations cease and that J. Matt Sparkman be elected by acclamation. The motion was carried unanimously. H. B. Gray, Brad Mutchler, and Tom Ellis were nominated for the office of director of the K. H. S. A. A., to represent regions 5, 6, 7, and 8. The candidates were asked to retire, and after the vote was taken President Russell E. Bridges declared that H. B. Gray of Bowling Green had been elected. K. G. Gillaspie nominated C. H. Purdom for the office of director of the K. H. S. A. A., to represent regions 9, 10, 11, and 12. Robert Martin moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that the nominations cease and that C. H. Purdom be elected by acclamation. The motion was carried unanimously. John A. Dotson and Carl Hicks were nominated for the office of director of the K. H. S. A. A., to represent regions 13, 14, 15, and 16. The candidates were asked to retire, and after the vote was taken President Russell E. Bridges declared that John A. Dotson had been elected.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The dinner meeting of the association was held in the Rathskeller at 6:30 P.M. with one hundred eighteen delegates, guests, and school officials present. Members of the Male High School Glee Club gave several vocal numbers which were well received. The principal speaker for the occasion was Mr. H. V. Porter, Executive Secretary of the National Federation. Mr. Porter's talk was both informative and humorous, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

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