

Board of Control Meeting, February 12-13, 1943

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Lafayette Hotel, Lexington, on Friday evening, February 12, 1943.

President Russell E. Bridges called the meeting to order at 9:00 P.M. with board members Owen, Gray, Dotson, Binford, and Sanford present. The president reported that Walter Jetton, new member recently selected by the Board to replace Matt Sparkman, was unable to be present at the meeting because of illness.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

Principal L. C. Farley and Coach Ernest Runyon of Belfry appeared before the Board to give evidence in the Pikeville case which was to be considered later in the meeting.

Officials C. W. Hackensmith and Arthur T. Gullette, and Prin. W. B. Jones of Somerset appeared before the Board to discuss the recent treatment of certain football officials by Somerset fans. The case was reviewed by the Board, and it was the opinion of its members that Prin. W. B. Jones had attempted to control his crowds by providing police protection, that members of the Somerset police department had probably been remiss in their duty in their failure to give protection to at least one official, but that no action be taken against the Somerset High School at this time.

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The meeting adjourned to reconvene at 9:00 o'clock, Saturday morning, February 13th, with board members Jetton and Binford absent, Mr. Binford being unable to attend this meeting because of the illness of his wife.

Supt. H. V. McClure, Coach Holbert Hodges, and Glenn Combs, a basketball player, all of London, Kentucky, appeared before the Board of Control in an effort to avert the suspension of Glenn Combs from further participation in high school athletics for the current year for the alleged striking of an official in a recent charity basketball game. No action was taken against Combs at the present time, but President Bridges was authorized to write certain officials in order to determine whether or not Combs had consistently shown a bad spirit and had been ejected previously from basketball games.

Prin. J. W. Snyder, Coach Houston Elder, Assistant Coach Johnson, and John Cannady all of Owensboro, appeared before the Board to answer charges that had been made that John Cannady had played football on the Owensboro High School team during the 1942 season when his legal residence had not been established at Owensboro. As a result of a previous investigation that had been made by board member Ray Binford, and upon securing other information that lead the Board to believe that the mother of John Cannady had been a legal resident of Owensboro during the summer and fall of 1942, the Board ruled that John Cannady and his mother were legal residents of Owensboro during this time, and therefore took no action against the Owensboro High School.

Coach H. L. Osborne, and Truett DeMoisey, a basketball player, both of Walton, and Charles Allphin, former coach at Highlands High School, appeared before the Board in an effort to avert the suspension of DeMoisey for the alleged striking of a K.H.S.A.A. registered official in a recent basketball game between the Walton and Dayton High Schools. The Board was of the opinion that DeMoisey was guilty of misconduct, but, in view of his previous good record as established by statements of coaches and officials, declined to penalize the boy by removing him from athletic competition.

Supt. T. W. Oliver, Coach Cassius Hatcher, Mrs. C. M. Sullivan and Mrs. Jack Johnson, all of Pikeville, appeared before the Board in an effort to prove that Joe Sullivan and Harry Thomas Johnson, basketball players of Pikeville, are eligible to play on the Pikeville High School basketball team by virtue of them being legal residents of Pikeville. The Board held, after studying evidence presented and statements made by Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. Johnson, that Joe Sullivan and Harry Thomas Johnson are eligible to participate in athletics at the Pikeville High School, since it appears that the parents have established bona fide residence at Pikeville.

President Russell E. Bridges presented an affidavit made by W. W. Chumbler, of Benton, stating that he was cursed and struck in the face by Clyde Roberts, a New Concord basketball player, immediately following the New Concord-Lynn Grove game, held at Lynn Grove on February 5, 1943. John Dotson moved, seconded by H. B. Gray, that Clyde Roberts of New Concord, be suspended from athletic competition from date until the time of New Concord's first district tournament game for conduct unbecoming an athlete. The motion was carried unanimously.

H. B. Gray moved, seconded by John Dotson, that all bills as recorded and read by the secretary for the period beginning December 1, 1942 and ending February 11, 1943, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Board of Control was then called to order in its capacity as the Board of Directors of the K.H.S.A.A. Protection Fund. There was a discussion of the request of Prin. Ralph N. Finchum, of Harlan, that an additional payment be made on the recent Roy Walker claim, due to the fact that the Harlan High School had been presented with doctor's and hospital bills totaling \$575.40. Secretary T. A. Sanford reported that Harlan had been paid only \$75.00 on this claim, under the present schedule of benefits. John Dotson moved, seconded by W. B. Owen, that the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to pay the Harlan High School an additional \$75.00 on the Roy Walker claim. The motion was carried unanimously.

The secretary reported that it would be necessary to amend the present Articles of Incorporation of the K.H.S.A.A. Protection Fund to provide that the principal office and place of business of the corporation shall be at Henderson, Henderson County, Kentucky.

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H. B. Gray moved, seconded by John Dotson, that Article III of the Articles of Incorporation of the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund be amended to read as follows: "The principal office and place of business of said corporation shall be at Henderson, Henderson County, Kentucky." The vote on the motion was Bridges, Owen, Gray, Dotson, Sanford, "Aye".

W. B. Owen moved, seconded by H. B. Gray, that, due to the fact that the personnel of the membership of the Board of Directors of the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund has changed since the original Articles of Incorporation of the K. H. S. A. A. were filed, the present membership of the Board of Directors be Russell E. Bridges, W. B. Owen, Theo. A. Sanford, John A. Dotson, H. B. Gray, Ray Binford, and Walter C. Jetton, and that the officers of the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund shall be: Russell E. Bridges, President; W. B. Owen, Vice-President; and Theo. A. Sanford, Secretary-Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously.

H. B. Gray moved, seconded by W. B. Owen, that the following claims against the Protection Fund be allowed:

Prin. J. F. Tanner, Ludlow, for Edward Brogan	\$ 42.00
Prin. J. F. Tanner, Ludlow, for Bob Willhoit	6.00
Prin. James I. Tichenor, Lloyd, for Leon Keith	40.00
Prin. James I. Tichenor, Lloyd, for Harry Carl	15.00
Supt. C. A. Hollowell, Marion, for Joe Hopson	35.00
Supt. C. T. Canon, Russellville, for Eradley Coffman	7.50
Supt. John A. Dotson, Benham, for Fred Poore	1.50
Supt. John A. Dotson, Benham, for L. D. Beeler	4.00
Supt. John A. Dotson, Benham, for Kenneth Robinette	12.00
Prin. George H. Wright, Bellevue, for Tom Routledge	15.00
Prin. George H. Wright, Bellevue, for Joe Kohler	35.00
Prin. W. E. Burton, Corbin, for Jack Archer	10.00
Prin. R. N. Finchum, Harlan, for E. C. Smith	10.00
Prin. R. N. Finchum, Harlan, for Bobby Allen	10.00
Prin. R. N. Finchum, Harlan, for Wallace Wilhoit	35.00
Supt. C. T. Canon, Russellville, for Harold Kurtsinger	3.00
Supt. C. T. Canon, Russellville, for Billy Kemp	15.00
Sue Toy, clerical work for December	75.00
Prin. James L. Cobb, Newport, additional for Bob Heffner	3.00
Prin. R. N. Finchum, Harlan, for Roy Walker	75.00
Prin. Russell E. Bridges, Highlands, for Gordon Reed	20.00
Danville High School, refund on overpayment of insurance	5.00
Prin. R. N. Finchum, Harlan, for Wallace Jones	25.00
Supt. John A. Dotson, Benham, for Richard McCurry	5.00
Supt. C. A. Hollowell, Marion, for L. E. Dunning	10.00
Prin. Russell E. Bridges, Highlands, for Bill Grimme	25.00
Secretary of State, annual verification report--1942	1.00
Sue Toy, clerical work for January	73.85
Claud Brown, Postmaster, stamps	5.00
Supt. John A. Dotson, Benham, for LaVerne Irwin	1.50
Prin. Kelley B. Stanfield, Cynthiana, for Edward Waite	20.00

The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Russell E. Bridges  
President

Theo. A. Sanford  
Secretary