

Minutes of the Annual Meeting
Kentucky High School Athletic Association

1944

The twenty eighth annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held in the Fireside Room of the Phoenix Hotel, Lexington, on Friday afternoon, April 14, 1944.

President Russell E. Bridges called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with seventy three regularly elected delegates or alternates present.

Leon Cook moved, seconded by Walter Price, that the minutes of the 1943 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 1943-44 school year:

The Board of Control has held four meetings during the year, one in Ft. Thomas, one in Henderson, and two in Lexington.

Two schools were suspended from the association during 1943-44 for the remainder of the school year, the St. Augustine's High School of Lebanon and the New Liberty High School.

Four hundred eighty seven schools joined the association this year, which is two more than the membership last year. Eighty two schools are listed as playing football, which is eleven less than last year. Four of these schools indicated that they were playing six-man football. Four hundred seventy one schools entered district tournaments this year.

One hundred twelve of one hundred fifteen district tournament reports have been received, showing total receipts less federal tax of \$42,498.85, which is an increase over the receipts of the district tournaments last year. Thirty six districts used the state plan for the distribution of profits.

All of the sixteen regional tournament reports have been received, showing total receipts less federal tax of \$24,291.22, which is an increase over last year's regional tournament receipts. Seven regions used the state plan for distribution of profits.

The gross receipts of the state tournament are \$19,382.60. Profit to the association from the tournament will be approximately \$10,900.00. An itemized report of tournament receipts and disbursements will appear in a forthcoming issue of the association magazine.

Three hundred twenty three basketball officials and one hundred 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 Bernie A. Shively of Lexington. Football rules examinations were held for officials a short time after the clinics were conducted. Four officials took the examination, with one receiving the approved rating and one receiving the certified rating. Sixteen basketball rules interpretation clinics were conducted by Charles J. Vettiner of Louisville. Sixteen basketball officials took the rules examination, with three receiving the approved rating. The sixteen employment bureaus for officials functioned again this year.

Fifty schools insured their athletes under the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund. Eight hundred forty four boys were insured for football, five hundred fifty eight for basketball, and four for track. Eighty two injuries were reported. Fifty three claims, totaling \$771.50, have been paid to date. There will probably be a few spring football claims.

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.

Sam Pollock moved, seconded by Tom Ellis, that Proposal I, providing that "Any student who has reached draft age and who has been given occupational deferment shall be ineligible during the time of such deferment to participate in high school athletics," be accepted. The motion was carried.

Eberly Hammack moved, seconded by Joe Gilly, that Proposal II, concerning the limiting of spring football practice, be accepted. The vote was "Aye" 19, "No" 20, and the president declared that the motion failed to carry.

Walter Price moved, seconded by Edgar McNabb, that Proposal III, providing that "The games of the State Basketball Tournament shall be played on a playing space 82 by 50 feet outside dimensions," be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Leon Cook moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that Proposal IV, designating the Armory at Louisville as the site of the state tournament, be accepted. The motion failed to carry. President Bridges then asked for an expression of opinion from the delegates concerning the advisability of moving the tournament to Louisville if accommodations were available. Upon taking a vote, it appeared that the great majority of delegates favored the moving of the state tournament to Louisville if accommodations at the Armory and the hotels are available.

Leon Cook moved, seconded T. N. McCoy, that Proposal V, providing that "The State shall be divided into sixteen regions of four districts each," be accepted. The vote was "Aye" 18 "No" 29, and the president declared that the motion had failed to carry.

E. T. Henderson moved, seconded by Thomas Omer, that Proposal VI, authorizing the Board of Control to investigate the possibilities of having more radio broadcasting of state tournament games, be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Coach Ralph Carlyle, who had offered Proposal VII concerning the giving of a front row seat for every session of the state tournament to the coach of each of the sixteen competing teams, asked that his proposal be changed to become a recommendation for consideration by the Board of Control. There being no objections, the proposal was declared a recommendation by President Bridges. Edgar McNabb moved, seconded by Walter Price, that the recommendation as offered by Ralph Carlyle, be accepted. The motion was carried.

Coach Ralph Carlyle, who had offered Proposal VIII providing that "Each of the sixteen teams that participate in the state tournament shall receive from the K. H. S. A. A. fund sixty dollars (\$60.00) over and above expenses already assumed by the Association," asked permission to add the following to his proposal: "This sixty dollars is for the purpose of covering incidental expenses for each of the sixteen teams." Walter Price moved, seconded by T. K. Stone, that the proposal as amended by Ralph Carlyle, be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

President Bridges then stated that the terms of the President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and two directors expired on June 30th of this year, and asked for nominations for the office of president. Adron Doran nominated Russell E. Bridges for President, W. B. Owen for Vice-President, and Theo. A. Sanford for Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Bridges then asked if there were other nominations. Eberly Hammack moved, seconded by Willard Ba that nominations cease and that the President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer be reelected by acclamation. The motion was carried. Mr. Bridges then asked for nomination for a director to represent Regions 5, 6, 7, and 8. Brad Jones nominated Bruce Daniel and Paul Walker nominated Brad Mutchler for the position of director to represent Regions 5, 7, and 8. President Bridges asked the nominees to retire and the vote was taken. Mr. Mutchler was declared elected. President Bridges then asked for nominations for director to represent Regions 9, 10, 11, and 12. T. K. Stone nominated Robert M. Drennan for the position of director to represent Regions 9, 10, 11, and 12. Edgar McNabb moved, seconded by Cliff Cox, that the nominations cease and that Mr. Drennan be elected by acclamation. The motion was carried unanimously, and Mr. Drennan was declared elected. The President then called on the Board members who had just been elected, and each responded with a short talk.

The Secretary then made an announcement concerning the dinner meeting. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The dinner meeting of the association was held in the Fireside Room of the Phoenix Hotel at 6:00 p.m. with ninety seven delegates, guests, and school officials present. Dr. Frank S. Lloyd, of the Office of Defense Health & Welfare, Washington, D. C., was the principal speaker for the occasion. He gave a challenge to the school men in Kentucky for extra effort in their attempt to prepare boys and girls for service to their country by giving them more intensified training in physical education.

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