

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 2008

President Donna Wear convened the special meeting of the Board of Control on Monday, February 18, 2008 at 8:50 a.m. All Board members were present except Lonnie Burgett, Roger Cook, Kelley Crain and Bob Stewart. Also present were Commissioner Brigid DeVries, Assistant Commissioners Darren Bilberry, Larry Boucher and Julian Tackett, Director of Promotions and Media Relations Butch Cope, Fundraising Consultant Ken Tippett and Office Manager Darlene Koszenski. KDE liaison Mike Dailey and KHSAA legal counsel, Ted Martin, were also present.

Michael Barren provided a moment of reflection.

Larry Boucher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Donna Wear requested the record show that fourteen out of eighteen Board members were present, and that ten votes were needed to pass any eligibility motions.

Michael Barren made a motion, seconded by Jeff Perkins, to go into Executive Session to discuss pending legal cases with Ted Martin. The motion passed unanimously. L.V. McGinty made a motion, seconded by Dave Weedman, to come out of Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously. No action was taken during Executive Session.

The Board of Control then considered the following appeals in compliance with the KHSAA Due Process Procedure:

Case Bylaw	H.O. Recommend	Board Motion (Second)	Favor	Oppose	Recuse Abstain	Ruling
#1218 6	ELIGIBLE	OVERTURN Perkins (Parker)	Barren, Donhoff, Keepers, McGinty, Moore, Parker, Perkins, Prewitt, Steidel, Weedman, Wear	Jackson, Schlosser, Schneider		INELIGIBLE 11-3
#1236 6	ELIGIBLE	UPHOLD McGinty (Moore)	UNANIMOUS			ELIGIBLE 14-0
#1229 4	ELIGIBLE	OVERTURN Perkins (Parker)	Barren, Jackson, Keepers, McGinty, Moore, Parker, Perkins, Prewitt, Steidel, Wear	Donhoff, Schlosser, Schneider, Weedman		INELIGIBLE 10-4
#1233 4	ELIGIBLE	OVERTURN Perkins (Parker)	Barren, Jackson, Keepers, McGinty, Moore, Parker, Perkins, Prewitt, Steidel, Wear	Donhoff, Schlosser, Schneider, Weedman		INELIGIBLE 10-4
#1231 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Weedman (Prewitt)	UNANIMOUS		Keepers (R)	INELIGIBLE 13-0-1
#1232 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD McGinty (Keepers)	UNANIMOUS			INELIGIBLE 14-0
#1235 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Perkins (Steidel)	UNANIMOUS		Keepers (R)	INELIGIBLE 13-2-1
#1234 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD McGinty (Keepers)	UNANIMOUS			INELIGIBLE 14-0

Commissioner DeVries informed the Board that Blake Haselton will present the KASS report at the April Board meeting. She also updated the Board on the status of House Bill 158, and provided the Board with a copy of the KHSAA's response to the Kentucky Department of Education regarding the Commission on Interscholastic Athletics. She mentioned that the Ad Hoc Committees need to complete their work and finalize their recommendations following the May, 2008 meeting.

Assistant Commissioner Julian Tackett discussed football re-alignment and is sending a draft survey to member schools concerning what should be done about the first and second round playoffs. The Coaches Advisory Committee unanimously wants cross district pairings in the first round, but administrators may be concerned with increased travel expenses. The Board recommended the survey be sent to school Principals and Superintendents, and both must sign the form. Any changes could be effective with the 2008-2009 school year.

Marshall County High School representatives presented an update on the status of their internal penalties and Policies & Procedures. The Board stated that Marshall County's handbook was a great tool for students, but there was no information for use by administrators or other school personnel in ensuring adherence to KHSAA regulations. Marshall County was instructed to have a draft handbook ready for review at the April Board meeting. They are to appear at the May meeting with a final copy for discussion.

Steve Parker suggested a template of a Policy & Procedure Manual be developed and made available on the KHSAA website for all schools to personalize and use. He felt this task could be the responsibility of the Assistant Commissioner working with compliance. Samples of other manuals from other schools could be available, also.

Stan Steidel made a motion, seconded by Bob Schneider, to move St. Henry District to District 34, and add Cooper High School to District 33, for the sports of baseball, boys' basketball and girls' basketball, effective for the 2008-09 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Schlosser made a motion, seconded by Steve Parker, to deny Cornerstone Christian Academy's request for a waiver of the \$300 fine for not attending a mandatory Principal's Workshop. The motion passed unanimously.

Clark Evans, Vice President of Marketing for Arbiter.net did a presentation on the advantages of using their internet based package for assigning officials throughout the state of Kentucky. There is a benefit to assignors, officials and schools. A five dollar increase from \$40 to \$45 dollars (first sport only) in official dues would cover the cost of the program and also underwrite a criminal records check on each official. The increase would also cover the increasing cost of rule books, postage and other materials provided to officials. Michael Barren made a motion, seconded by Marvin Moore, instructing staff to proceed with a contract with Arbiter.net. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch, and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. Let the record show that Jerry Keepers and Jeff Schlosser left for the day.

Michael Barren made a motion, seconded by L.V. McGinty, to go into Executive Session to discuss a KHSAA legal matter with Counsel Phil Scott. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by L.V. McGinty, seconded by Jeff Perkins, to come out of Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously.

Lexington Christian Academy ("LCA") presented a review of their updated Policies & Procedures to the Board of Control. Guests included: Gregg Thornton, Chair of the Board, LCA; Brad Walls, Athletic Director, LCA; John Roach, Attorney & Parent, LCA; Ollie Gibbs, Headmaster, LCA; Ann McCamy, Chief Financial Officer, LCA; Greg Correll, Director, River Foundation; Athletic Director Scott Greenwald, Seneca HS; Director Jerry Wyman, Jefferson County Public Schools; Athletic Director Don Adkins, Fayette County Schools; Athletic Director Bill Hill, Sayre School; Athletic Director Bob Gibson, Woodford County HS; Athletic Director Tom Woofter, Pendleton County HS; Assistant Principal Gary

Dearborn, Pendleton County HS; Director of Operations Phil Rison, Montgomery County Schools; Assistant Principal Arthur Ballard, Estill County HS; Mike Fields, Reporter, Lexington Herald-Leader.

Mr. Correll briefly addressed the Board and Mr. Woofter read a prepared statement into the record.

The Board of Control meeting was recessed for a short time, while the three Ad Hoc Committees met. The Board reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

Donna Wear made a motion, seconded by L.V. McGinty, to proceed with drafting proposed revisions to the Federal Court Consent Decree so as to add another Assistant Commissioner to the staff. The motion passed unanimously.

Stan Steidel distributed a handout regarding the Eligibility and Due Process Procedures. Their committee will be ready for final discussion in April, with final recommendations for the May, 2008 meeting. A review of legal fees will be a part of the April Board Agenda.

Dave Weedman suggested that Lexington, Louisville, and Northern Kentucky representatives meet to devise a workable solution regarding Proposal 2, which would solve 90% of the problems. He stated the Board needs to show leadership now, before something is imposed on us from an outside source.

Julian Tackett advised the Board about Senate Bill 160, which would put the management of high school athletics directly under the Kentucky Department of Education. Ms. DeVries asked everyone to contact their Senators and Representatives regarding this bill.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. on February 18, 2008.

President Donna Wear _____ Date _____

Commissioner Brigid L. DeVries _____ Date _____