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13 Why Have High School Sports?

NFHS Executive Director Bob Gardner offers up 7.6 millions reasons why we should keep high school sports.

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Come in and Stay A While!
Following months of development, the KHSAA website features an entirely new look. The new website was unveiled to the public on July 16. While some parts, such as the member school pages and officials pages, remain unchanged for now, almost all other parts of the site feature a fresh new look. Take a few moments to look around the site and get familiar with the new KHSAA.org!

FEATURING

23 Member Schools Lend a Helping Hand

In the aftermath of an outbreak of deadly tornadoes on March 2, member schools have reached out to help those who were most affected by the destruction.

24 Roark Middlesboro’s Man Through and Through

Former Middlesboro football standout and coaching icon Kenny Roark passed away after a long illness. Roark put the Yellowjackets on the football map first as a player in the 1970s and later as a coach, leading them to the Class 1A state championship in 1998.
It might seem preposterous to ask why we need high school sports, yet the question is being asked more and more these days. In some ways it is understandable as every expense faces harder scrutiny in these tough economic times. When such basics as textbooks and transportation face tough decisions, so do all extracurricular activities.

In fact, a recent editorial in USA Today raised the question of why even have high school sports at all? After all, the only players society is most interested in are the standouts and the European model would better serve those needs, the author of the article surmised. The author has obviously never been to a high school sporting event in Kentucky.

If so, the author would have seen many things unique to high school. The author likely would have seen student-athletes competing against not only their rivals but the person they see in the mirror every day. There’s a good chance they also would have seen entire communities pulling for their young people, while also displaying values such as leadership, discipline and compassion in the face of real human tragedy and suffering.

Such instances were in abundance during the 2011-2012 school year. While it is true that new state champions were able to enjoy a moment in the sun and records were set, through it all the lessons they learned by simply challenging themselves will last much longer than a day.

This is the true cost of high school athletics - a return for the community that is truly priceless.

Credits

This quarter’s cover image is a a photo of Western Hills track and field competitor Alisha Adair, who wipes tears from her eyes after setting a record in the 400 meters. Adair enjoyed one of the greatest individual performances in state track and field history, winning the 100, 200 and 400 meters, as well as being a part of the winning 4x400 relay team. The photo was taken by John Flavell.

The action images on page 9, 10, 13, and the football image on 16 were taken by Jim Osborn, Jim Osborn Photography. The action images on pages 8, 13, 16 and 19 were taken by Tim Webb. Webb also took the photo of PBA star Kelly Kulick on page 21. Kulick attended the first Ebonite/KHSAA State Bowling Championships.

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Commissioner’s Advisory Committee on Basketball Meeting Minutes

The Commissioners Advisory on Basketball met on April 17, 2012 at the KHSAA offices in Lexington.


Absent Members: Mike Harper, Lavonda Johnson, Bart Rison, and Kevin Salyer.

When the group convened Assistant Commissioner Passafiume discussed the expense forms and a review of the agenda material that was provided. Commissioner Tackett emphasized the role of the advisory committee for each one to know they are the voice for their region or group and should discuss not only the information they bring before the committee but what they take back.  The line of communication is very important.  All thoughts are received and welcomed however the Board of Control may need to work further to implement requests.

Next year the Board of Control will look at realignment due to McCracken County consolidating.  Time zones will be taken into consideration so as not to adversely impact schools. The Board will try to finalize decisions in January if possible and there will be some parts of Kentucky not affected.  Information will be sent out to schools for feedback.

The Board of Control and changes have been made to Prime Time Dates for girl’s basketball which started with this committee.  Schools will get to choose between two options: (1) Old method, 40% of home games must be on prime date, tournaments counted one game each in both numerator and denominator of calculation, (2) 40% of their all scheduled girls basketball games on a prime date as defined by the OCR (Friday night, Saturday or Sunday) and playing at least one home game in December, January and February on a prime date.

The committee discussed at length the accountability of officials.  Officials are independent contractors and schools have the choice not to bring an official back to their school by scratching them and making the assigning secretary aware.  These scratches must be done preseason and given to the assignor by the assigned deadline.  Assignors do not work for officials, but for the schools.  Local Policy Board control number of scratches, it is not the jurisdiction of assignors.  Commissioner Tackett emphasized that coaches can use a scratched official but it must be the decision of the school should an official inadvertently be assigned and show up to call a game. Officials are not to know who scratched them and assignors could do a better job scheduling for tournaments if schools do not wait until the last minute to review who has been assigned.

Scott Chalk stated he would like to see more accountability in regards to official’s behavior. He would like to see a more standard operating procedure where the investigations of officials are more public when they are penalized.  It would be helpful if the schools knew their concerns were taken seriously. Assistant Commissioner Passafiume stated that we are not taking concerns lightly during KHSAA investigations and that mistakes from officials come in two categories: judgment and misapplication of rules. Assigning Secretaries have the right to make adjustments in an official’s schedule; it is no longer called a suspension. Only the KHSAA office has the right to suspend an official. Region 8 Assigning Secretary Burney Jenkins stated he lets the official, schools and KHSAA know when an official in his region needs to be disciplined.

Commissioner Tackett advised the committee that the KHSAA has three years of data to use as resource information to train officials throughout the state during the off season. Lea Prewitt stated she is not happy with the direction of the game, it has become too physical. We are not looking for great college referees but great high school referees. Matt Bell’s concerns were the rules change from season to district to region to state. We need to enforce the rules not pick and choose and that rules should not vary from region to region. It was suggested that six to ten rules emphasis be stressed during the off season in summer camps such as: (1) Establishing a Pivot foot, (2) Block charge, (3) Extended arm, (4) Under hoop call, (5) Fronting the cutter not jamming the cutter (6) Physical Play, (7) Palming the ball. Communication at center court appears to be a problem and should also be emphasized.

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The KHSAA Board of Control met on April 16, 2012 at 8 a.m. at the KHSAA Office in Lexington.


Absent Board Members: Art Davis, Ron Dawn.

KHSAA Staff: Julian Tackett, Michael Barren, Darren Bilberry, Rob Catron, Chad Collins, Butch Cope, Elden May, Angela Passafiume, and Marilyn Mitchell.

Attachments can be found at the following link: http://www.khsaa.org/boardofcontrol/agenda/20120120/bocjanuary2012.htm

Call to Order: The Board of Control Meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. by President Alan Donhoff following the completion of committee meetings.

Reflection: Was delivered by Alan Donhoff

Pledge of Allegiance: Gene Norris led the Board with the Pledge of Allegiance

Executive Session to Review Legal Matters

Motion Passed: Consider approval of going into executive session per KRS 61.810 subsection (c) passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by David Weedman.

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No Action was taken during the executive session to review KHSAA legal matters.

Review Consent Agenda
1. Approve Minutes of the November, 2011 Regular Meeting
2. Reports for Approval
3. Transfers, July 1 to December 31, 2011 (W)
4. Appeals Detailed Report to Date
5. Other Eligibility Rulings including fines and Penalties, July 1, 2011 Through December 31, 2011 (W)
6. HB 327 Coaches to date (W)
7. NFHS Coaching Education Program (W)
8. Approve Bills, September 1 to October 31, 2011
9. Approve Bills, November 1 to December 31, 2011
10. 2011-2012 Member School Enrollment

Motion Passed: Consider Commissioner’s Request to reclassify Administrative Support personnel member

The Commissioner recommended the reclassification of a staff member.

Motion Passed: Accept the change of position Marilyn Mitchell to Administrative Assistant/Office Manager (Grade IV, Level 6) effective December 12, 2011 passed with a motion by Marvin Moore and a second by John Barnes.

Policy on Alcohol at events

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Motion Passed: As written with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Alan Donhoff. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Committee Report from the Regulation Adoption and Legislative Committee (A)

Review of Salary Data from Surrounding States

This data for the states surrounding Kentucky was presented for the Board’s review, and is provided by the NFHS. The purpose of this information was for the Board’s continued review as part of its predefined objectives for the year. No action taken at this time.

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proposed interpretation at the April meeting.

Proposals for 2012 Annual Meeting

The Board will begin the process of deciding if any proposals are to be placed on the agenda of the Annual Meeting. Issues identified by staff include: Bylaw 4 – Enrollment, Bylaw 5 - Minimum Academic Requirement, possible amendment to implement virtual school interpretation, Bylaw 6 - Return to Home District Provision, Bylaw 8 - Discuss Removal, Bylaw 12 - Awards (Situation regarding scholarships, Bylaw 23/28 - Discuss Possible Revisions, Bylaw 25 - Discuss reduction in contests, or study limits in other states.

Motion Passed: Approve first reading of desired bylaw proposals, with direction for staff to return final wording to Board of Control in April motion by **David Weedman** and a second by **John Barnes**.

Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes.

Bylaws 23 & 28 Revisions

Motion Passed: Accept as presented revisions to Bylaws 23 & 28 passed with a motion by **Alan Donhoff** and a second by **Jerry Keepers**. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Consider Returning to 20% to add New Sport from 10%

Request from Mr. Steidel to revisit new sanctioned sport percentage. No action taken by the Board at this time.

Committee Report the from Team Sports (A)

Consider Final Adoption of Alignment, 2012 Soccer

A draft alignment had been distributed to the membership for comments generally received with favorable feedback. Recommended alignment for 2012 season.

Motion Passed: Approve the alignment in Soccer, effective with the 2012 season, with the directive that all districts meet prior to the season to determine site selection plans and make seeding decisions with a motion by **Alan Donhoff** and a second by **Marvin Moore**. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Consider movement of Lawrence County High School from District 57 to District 59 and East Ridge to District 60

No action taken at this time to give the schools and school districts an opportunity to prepare to present information. Final action to be taken in April meeting.

Consider placement of Nelson County High School and Thomas Nelson High School for 2012 Football

With the opening of Thomas Nelson High School in the fall of 2012, there is a need for adjustment in the football alignment to accommodate both schools. The change is specific to this case at this time.

Motion Passed: The Board directs the Commissioner to set a deadline for Nelson County to submit a final schedule for 2012. At that time, the Commissioner shall randomly select the week numbers that will count as district opponents for those schools, without resultant schedule change amendments. If a tie exists with the inclusion of the Nelson Schools (either of them), and such tie results in at least one team not qualifying for the playoffs, the team already aligned in the district shall prevail in the tie with a motion by **Ozz Jackson** and a second by **Boyd Randolph**. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Consider adoption of running clock provisions for basketball per NFHS rules

The playing rules of the NFHS state that a quarter(s) may be shortened in an emergency or at any time by mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and referee. Playing time and a number of quarters for non-varsity game quarters may be reduced by mutual agreement of opposing coaches. A state
association by adoption may institute a running clock when a specified point differential is reached at a specified time in the game. This change would ensure that the team sports are treated consistently in that football has a running clock rule, baseball and softball have a 10 run rule, volleyball has rally scoring, and soccer has a mercy rule.

Motion Passed: Approve the adoption of a 35-point running clock rule in varsity basketball with final policy wording to be reviewed in April passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Boyd Randolph. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Consider Volleyball Match Format Revisions Per NFHS clarification and review Clarification was received by request from the Board at the November meeting concerning the ability to allow schools individual choice with respect to the occasional playing of 2 out of 3 volleyball matches due to travel concerns, school time concerns, and other situations.

Motion Passed: Adopt the recommendations as presented for regular season varsity play, junior varsity play and freshman play(by agreement option or regular season); adopt the recommendations for postseason play; and adopt a standard warm-up procedure and officials pay for 2012-2013 passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Jerry Keepers. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Discussion of Hall of Fame Game proposal - Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches The KABC requested an exemption to Bylaw 25 to allow for games which would help fund the KABC Hall of Fame, and to allow an out of season game prior to the start of the regular season. The Kentucky-Indiana All Star (Kentucky Lions Foundation) requested a KHSAA sanction or endorsement for an out of season event. Motion Passed: Deny both requests passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Jerry Keepers. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman respectfully declined.

Discuss Study of Soccer DQ Penalties and Other Options

No action taken. Dialogue to be ongoing with final action in May.

Committee Report from the Ad Hoc Emerging Sports Committee (A)

Adoption of Bowling Alignment for 2012 After the development of the initial alignment for Bowling, based on feedback from the schools and bowling centers, the schools were give an opportunity for comments. In some cases, regions were divided in attempts to keep schools that are located in same county within the same region, just during the initial phases. Some of the feedback received dealt with the addition/deletion of schools and the fact that this alignment is by no means permanent and will continue to change.

Motion Passed: Adoption of the alternative revised alignment as presented following feedback from the member schools passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by David Weedman. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Reports of Business (single motion to approve reports)

1. Review of Working Budget Status
2. Board Income Statement, July 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011
4. Internal Corporate Report, July 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011
5. Assistant Commissioner Cope presented report.

Motion Passed: Consider approval of adjourning meeting passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Jerry Keepers. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes, Jerry Keepers Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Gene Norris Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.
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Editor’s Note: The following editorial written by NFHS Executive Director Bob Gardner was a response to comments made in USA Today by a former college basketball coach.

I’m not quite sure what qualifies a former college basketball coach to assess the state of high school sports, but in USA Today’s online edition, the following headline caught my attention: "Former college coach proposes ending high school sports.” Wow!

This article, which originally was published in the Reno (Nevada) Gazette-Journal, contained thoughts and ideas of Len Stevens, a former college basketball coach and current executive director of the Reno-Sparks Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Stevens suggests we should “kick it (high school sports) to the curb” and go the way of the European model focusing solely on club sports.

The author of the article, Dan Hinxman, suggests that Mr. Stevens’ thoughts might be preposterous, ludicrous and, perhaps, downright offensive to some individuals. Mr. Hinxman is correct. As the head of an organization that provides leadership to 51 state high school associations, 19,000 high schools and more than 7.6 million student-athletes involved in high school sports, I am pleased to report that funeral arrangements have been cancelled.

What Mr. Stevens probably doesn’t know is that many of those countries employing the “European model” would trade their model in an instant for the education-based philosophy of high school sports in the United States. After listening to my report at the 9th International Session for Educators at the International Olympic Academy in Greece last summer, representatives from many nations marveled that our programs receive little or no government support in our schools, and the universal wish of the delegates from other nations was that their programs could be more like ours.

Mr. Stevens suggests that since club sports have been growing in the United States we should end high school sports and go exclusively with club sports, which “would answer a lot of problems and put the high school focus back where it belongs — on education.”

What Mr. Stevens doesn’t account for is that if sports were removed from American high schools, the focus would not be on education. The focus would be on trying to locate students who abruptly left school — dropouts — when sports were taken away.

And, by the way, the education component is the singular unique component of the U.S. model. Student-athletes learn much more than how to set a screen in basketball or cover the first-base bag in baseball. While the number of teacher-coaches has dwindled, most schools that employ out-of-school coaches require those individuals to complete an education course, such as the NFHS Fundamentals of Coaching course.

On the other hand, club sports lack an educational component. These programs exist solely for the purpose of improving one’s athletic skills and, through that process, hopefully landing a college scholarship. The team concept rarely exists and there is no overall philosophy to help prepare students for life after school, which is a major goal of education-based sports within the schools.

Mr. Stevens also noted that no one attends games any more. Really? A survey conducted by the NFHS last year indicated that more than 510 million people attended high school sporting events during the 2009-10 school year. On Friday nights in the fall, there are 7,000 high school games being played every week. On winter nights – two to three times a week – there are about 18,000 girls and boys basketball games being played. More than 7.6 million high school students compete in high

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Guests Present: Chad Walbrek, Scott Prince (Louisville Collegiate) and a second by

3. Transfers, July 1 to March 31, 2012 (W)
4. Appeals Detailed Report to Date
5. Other Eligibility Rulings including fines and penalties, July 1, 2011 Through March 31, 2012 (W)
6. Approve Bills, January 1 to March 31, 2012

Motion Passed: Consider approval of consent agenda items as presented passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Ozz Jackson. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Reports of Business (single motion to approve reports)
1. Review of Working Budget Status
2. Baseball Umpire Camp Reconciliation

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Election of 2012-2013 Board of Control President and Vice-President (A)
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Committee Report from the Team Sports Committee (A)  
Consider Soccer Postseason Bracketing Revisions  
Staff has done extensive review of postseason format. It is the desire of the Commissioner to expand the number of teams in the state championship tournament, while at the same time, revising the early round format to create new matchup options at that level. With the staff proposed format, travel can be contained within a four-region pod (similar to the former semi-state baseball plan), but then an-eight team state tournament created for both boys and girls. These changes can be accomplished within the current window of play and not require scheduling adjustments. While it would be highly desired to have each region at the state tournament, the rest necessary between soccer matches and travel considerations make this a very difficult consideration. Adoption of this plan for a six-year cycle ensures that every region plays every region in their semi-state twice during the period, and that each region hosts once in those matches during that period.  
Motion Passed: The Board of Control approve the staff postseason plan for soccer for the 2012 through 2017 seasons passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by David Weedman.  
Committee Report from the Team Sports Committee (B)  
Consider movement of Lawrence County High School from District 57 to District 59 and East Ridge to District 60. This would alleviate a situation where there is a five-team district in the same region with two three team districts. This request would allow the composition to be three four team districts, and a single three team district. This request would alleviate the fact that there is a five-team district and two-three team districts in this region. Recommended action should include comprehensive review by all involved school systems passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Marvin Moore.  
Motion Passed: Approve the adoption of running clock rule at all levels of basketball (freshman, JV, Varsity) for the 2012-2013 school year, when one team is ahead by 35 or more points after halftime passed with
a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Boyd Randolph. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Randsell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman.

Discuss Three-Person Officiating in Basketball

No action taken. There was extensive discussion on training methods and evaluation of officials.

Review Game Manager Policy 2 Years After Implementation

This policy was adopted to be applied to all sports and as a practical matter, has been applied only to the sport of soccer. After a couple of years of implementation, it is good to review and ensure that it applies to all team sports in an equivalent manner.

Motion Passed: Staff will update and revise the policy and present to the Board for final adoption at the July meeting passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by David Weedman. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Kelley Randsell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes.

Confirm FB Finals Playoff Schedule

The 2012 Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl schedule is recommended as Class 1A, 3A, 4A Friday November 30, Class 2A, 5A, 6A Saturday December 1.

Motion Passed: Approve the recommended schedule for 2012 Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Art Davis. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Kelley Randsell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Consider Adoption of Field Specifications for Postseason Play for Fast Pitch Softball

There has been concern for a number of years about the lack of defined specs for hosting softball events. Baseball has had postseason field requirements since the mid-1990s, including a tarp requirement and it has resulted in not only improved playing conditions, but a list of items by which schools can project any future facility updates.

Motion Passed: Approve the draft field specs for softball to go into effect for regional play with the 2013 season passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Boyd Randolph. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Randsell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Discussion of Issues Related to Competitive Balance

No action taken. Information will continue to be gathered.

Discuss Potential Team Squad Limits (number dressing) for State Championships (i.e. Football)

No recommendation at this time. Dialogue is be ongoing.

Review and Consider Possible Deadline dates for declaration of intent to play fall, winter and spring sports, particularly for seeded districts

There are problems that may exist for seeded districts in that schools must hold open slots for those teams, and then if the school does not field a team, there are very few scheduling alternatives remaining. A reasonable deadline each season would appear to be fair to all parties.

Motion Passed: Approve that each school in a district that has previously voted to seed, shall be considered to be contracted for the requisite number of seeded contests. If school representatives do not notify all schools in the district of their intent NOT to participate by the first day of practice, the contest shall be played or a forfeit declared. Where a fee is not specified, a $1000 default forfeiture fee will be assessed for non-played contests passed with a motion by Ozz Jackson and a second by Boyd Randolph. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Randsell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Committee Report from the Individual Sports Committee (A)

Golf Range Finder Request from Advisory Committee

The Golf Advisory Committee remains concerned about the pace of play. For postseason, the committee is recommending that range finders (range finders only, not other more sophisticated devices) be allowed for region and state play. Such devices, if available to a player, must be made available to all members of the playing group (threesome, foursome, etc.)

Motion Passed: Deny the request at this time, however, staff to collect additional information to present to the Board at a later meeting passed with a motion by Stan Steidel and a second by Art Davis. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Kelley Randsell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Report on State Tennis Facilities and Sites Assistant Commissioner Barren reported on the status of State Tennis Sites and facility revisions.

Committee Report from the Title IX Education and Compliance Committee (A)

Title IX Prime Date Report for 2011-2012 and action

Assistant Commissioner Bilberry presented the 2011-2012 Title IX Prime Date report. Motion Passed: Accept report as submitted passed with a motion by Lea Prewitt and a second by Bill Beasley. John Barnes Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Kelley Randsell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Committee Report from the Regulation Adoption and Legislative Committee (A)

Review and Discussion, Sport Activity Designation

Due to the fact that it would take possibly 9 years to phase in requirements for all rules, the Board concurred with the Commissioner’s recommendation in April of 2011 that the new offerings of the KHSAA be considered Sport Activities (Archery, Bowling, Bass Fishing and Cheer). The intent was
school sports, and those numbers have risen for 22 consecutive years.

How many of those 7.6 million kids would still be around if the only option was to join a club team? The clubs only want the very best athletes, and fees can range from $5,000 to $10,000 a year to be involved with a year-round travel team.

A large majority of high school students who are involved in sports are there to have fun, to be with their friends, to compete and learn and to be a part of a team. Kids have a need to be needed and to be a part of something positive, to be involved with their peers and coaches who care. Many students involved in sports do not have a support system at home – their high school teammates and coaches are their lifeblood. This concept simply does not exist through club sports.

At our recent National Athletic Directors Conference in Indianapolis, several high school athletic directors talked about their days as high school athletes and the importance of these programs.

Monica Maxwell, a middle school athletic director from Indianapolis, said, “I knew I wanted to get out of my neighborhood. If it wasn’t going to be through athletics, it was going to be through the military . . . I think that story – my story – is a story of many athletes. They know that their ticket out of their neighborhoods is going to be athletics.”

Lanness Robinson, an athletic director from Tampa, Florida, said, “If I didn’t maintain a 3.5 grade-point average, my mom wouldn’t let me play sports. That’s the only reason I tried because otherwise I didn’t care. I believe that athletics is the greatest dropout prevention program that we have . . . I think the three most identifiable people on the school campus . . . are the head football coach, the principal and the quarterback. What does that say about school? I’ve read stories where schools have actually made the decision to cut programs and I think in most cases, they reinstate athletic programs because they found that it doesn’t work.”

John Evers, a retired athletic director from Indiana, said “When good things happen – if a team is making a great playoff run – the community comes together. That’s not something you often get outside of athletics. I’ve never seen a town rally around a chemistry class, but I have seen them rally around a team of kids doing something special.”

Becky Oakes, director of sports at the NFHS, said in a recent issue of High School Today, “Students enjoy the school-community identity that comes with playing in high school. In general, high school coaches will treat each student as part of the team and the community; this is the selling point that high schools have far over any club team.”

Certainly, there are challenges in many states, mainly due to funding issues. But even in those situations when funds become tight, more often than not the community responds because it sees the value of these programs for young people. With all due respect to Mr. Stevens, there are 7.6 million reasons we’re going to keep sports within our schools.
that the desire for more participation from a previously uninvolved group of students was more important than rigidly applying all rules immediately.

Motion Passed: Bylaw 5 would be added to the interpretation so that students in Sport Activities (Archery, Bowling, Bass Fishing and Cheer) must comply with this Bylaw passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by John Barnes. Bill Beasley Yes, Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Bylaw 23/28 As Amended Should Be Considered Or At Least Some Requirement For Sanctioning Travel By Sport Activities, Particularly Competitive Cheer.

Motion Passed: Staff is directed to develop a travel and sanction approval policy to be presented in July that would ensure that Region and State competition is a prerequisite for approved out of state competition travel passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Stan Steidel. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Proposals for 2012 Annual Meeting
No Action taken: Bylaws: 2, 5, 25 will be updated per legislative requirements.

Bylaw 6:
• Beginning with the summer prior to entering the 9th grade, if a student participates on a non-school team (i.e. AAU, American Legion, club settings, summer program, etc.) that is affiliated with or coached by a coach associated with that same sport, at a school other than the one the student attends or in a legally defined feeder pattern per KHSAA Bylaw 4, and then transfers to that school, regardless of change in bona fide residence, it will be assumed that the student has transferred to that school for athletic reasons.

Motion Passed: NOT add this proposed amendment to Bylaw 6 to the Annual Meeting Agenda (Athletic Advantage provisions) passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Stan Steidel. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Bylaw 7:
• Add “high” before school in Section 1.
• Sec 2 (c) – Remove “In addition, such grant may be made in other circumstances approved by the Board of Control within Board policy.” This would default to Due Process Procedure
• Re-letter Section c) and d) for clarity to d) and e). Change new (d) (second old c), to insert “random”

Motion Passed: Bylaw 7 amendments to be proposed (first reading) as written passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Ozz Jackson. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Bylaw 8:
• Add clarity to fact that if you sit first year, eligible rest (move from interpretation to rule)

Motion Passed: Bylaw 7 amendments to be proposed (first reading) as written passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Ozz Jackson. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Bylaw 8:
• Request the Commissioner and Staff to extend the interpretation of Bylaw 8 to male...
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Sports as it's currently applied to female sports for the October exception period. Motion Passed: Language change as written passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Ozz Jackson. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Bylaw 10:
• No action taken by the Committee at this time. There was discussion of Bylaw 10 and allowances out of season. In particular, involvement with kids outside of defined feeder pattern. The spring and summer have long been issues for high school coaches involved in coaching AAU and other outside programs. The problem is compounded when the involved student-athletes are not under the defined feeder pattern. Board discussion should be held on any possible proposal or bylaw change to tighten down this perceived issue, or just rely on the self-policing nature of the membership. At this time, the Committee had no consensus for revision.

Bylaw 11:
• Insert language in interpretation that schedule of games to be suspended is schedule at time of ejection. (no games can be added)

Motion Passed: Approve the language addition as proposed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Bill Beasley. John Barnes Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Bylaw 12:
• No action by the committee.

Bylaw 14:
• Staff to update language of this Bylaw. Motion Passed: Staff is directed to modernize language of Bylaw 14 passed (proposed first reading) with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by David Weedman. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Bylaw 25:
• Revise and restrict Section 1 (f), the policy on organized competition with the provisions noted in the recommendations. Restrict coaching in organized contests on-campus if more than ⅓ of normal team is present (i.e. four football players in alternative games as in 7 on 7), 3 basketball players, 5 baseball players, etc. Continue restrictions of no expenditure and move from interpretation to rule.

Motion Passed: Bylaw 25, Section 1 (f) revision (first reading of a proposal) passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by David Weedman. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes.

• Move into this rule the provisions that non-enrolled students cannot participate

Motion Passed: Non-enrolled students may not participate per this provision (first reading of a proposal) passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by David Weedman. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes.

Bylaw 25 Football
• The last three days of helmet only practice may include the shoulder pads (per NATA recommendation) and that mandatory three hours between practices (immediate through interpretation)

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion to concur with Commissioner’s recommendation by Boyd Randolph and a second by Ozz Jackson. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

• On multiple contact practice days, a maximum of five hours contact practice, no more than three hours in any one session. Consider fixed number of practices per team.

Motion Passed: NOT add this proposal to the Annual Meeting Agenda passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by David Weedman. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes.

Bylaw 26:
• Elimination of June / July football/basketball restrictions. No action taken.

Bylaw 33:
• Bylaw 33, Penalties for coaches. No action taken.

Consider Waivers of Bylaw 13 to allow for special financial aid programs

Consider waiver of Bylaw 13, Financial Aid - Louisville Collegiate

Louisville Collegiate requests a review of merit scholarship as it pertains to their school for the coming year. Per Bylaw 13, the Board of Control can hear requests for waiver and approve listed programs for documentable exceptions.

Motion Passed: That the request be denied passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by David Weedman. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes.

Consider Prior Requests for Waiver, St. Francis High School (Louisville) (tabled in fall)

St. Francis has petitioned for exemption of the Merit Scholarship Competition and its recipients from KHSAA Bylaw 13.

Motion Passed: That the request be denied for the 2012-2013 school year passed with a motion by Boyd Randolph and a second by Bill Beasley. John Barnes Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Consider Prior Requests for Waiver, Trinity (Louisville) High School (Louisville) (tabled in fall)

Trinity Louisville requests a review of merit scholarship as it pertains to their school. Per Bylaw 13, the Board of Control can hear requests for waiver and approve listed programs for documentable exceptions.
Motion Passed: That the request be denied passed with a motion by **Boyd Randolph** and a second by **Stan Steidel**. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, David Weedman.

Discuss Alternative Credits, Credit Recovery, Potential Interpretation

The Commissioner has previously not issued an interpretation regarding the use of online courses and credit recovery to comply with the provisions of Bylaw 5. Situations that have arisen this year illustrate the need for clarity with respect to this issue. Following review and discussion, the Commissioner has concluded the need to issue this interpretation to ensure the academic integrity of the Association. This is especially critical as more and more courses are offered via distance learning.

Motion Passed: Support the proposed recommendation of the Commissioner with respect to Bylaw 5 and direct its distribution passed with a motion by **Boyd Randolph** and a second by **Ozz Jackson**. John Barnes Yes, Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman.

Review Request for Travel During Dead Period - Lafayette

Lafayette Head Boys Golf Coach requests a waiver of the Dead Period to caddie for one of his golfers at a national tournament.

Motion Passed: That consistent with other requests, the request be denied passed with a motion by **Boyd Randolph** and a second by **John Barnes**. Bill Beasley Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Alan Donhoff Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Committee Report from the Ad Hoc Emerging Sports Committee

Review of First State Bowling Championship Assistant Commissioner Passaflume reported on the success of the first Ebonite/KHSAA State Bowling Championship. Bowling has been exceptionally well received around the state adding a significant number of high school students participating in another sport & activity.

New Activity Updates

Commissioner Tackett provided an update on the 2012-2013 Fishing and Archery Championships.

Cheer Championship

Assistant Commissioner Cope updated the Board on the status of the 2012-2013.

Committee Report from Hall of Fame Screening Committee

Staff will report on the screening process and supply information about the final selection at the May Board of Control meeting and include proposed methods of facilitating Hall of Fame Procedures.

Motion Passed: Staff will facilitate a review of the Hall of Fame Procedures to refine eligibility, voting, screening and selection processes including manner of voting and any perceived conflicts of interest within the process passed with a motion by **Alan Donhoff** and a second by **Bill Beasley**. John Barnes Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.

Staff Reports

Mr. Catron and Commissioner Tackett reported on the updates of the inaugural Title IX online entry. Commissioner Passaflume reminded the Board of the Officials Banquet on May 6. Commissioner Cope updated on the Hall of Fame Banquet, April 28, Sportsmanship Banquet, April 27. Mr. Cope also gave an update on the possible State Volleyball Sites for 2012 and beyond.

Review and Confirm Schedule for May Meeting

The outgoing Board of Control Dinner will be on May 22 the evening prior to the May Board Meeting on May 23.

Summer Meeting

July 23 is the tentative date for the Summer Board Meeting to be held in northern Kentucky.

Adjourn

Motion Passed: Consider approval of adjourning meeting passed with a motion by **Alan Donhoff** and a second by **Bill Beasley**. John Barnes Yes, Carrell Boyd Yes, Anita Burnette Yes, Art Davis Yes, Ron Dawn Yes, Dana Guyer Yes, Ozz Jackson Yes, Marvin Moore Yes, Lea Prewitt Yes, Boyd Randolph Yes, Kelley Ransdell Yes, Steve Riley Yes, Stan Steidel Yes, David Weedman Yes.
Basketball
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be resolved and officials need to be given the definition of a foul. The KHSAA office will be working on a curriculum for the official trainers to use during summer camps. Curriculum will be given to assignors and that information can be shared with coaches. Commissioner Tackett stated he was not pleased with the state tournament, the direction changed from advantage to disadvantage all week.

The committee discussed the current ratings system for officials. Local Policy Boards have the choice of what process is to be used for rating officials in their region. There may be a problem when assignors become too close to officials and lose their objectivity. The committee asked if it viable and a good idea that coaches rate officials they have never seen work. There was concern as to how coaches can have majority of percentage input when they only see small portion of all officials in a region. The committee discussed that there are sixty-two (62) associations available to use game by game via arbiter and only one (1) is using evaluation portion of Arbiter. The 13th region still conducts sit down ratings with assigner. Matt Bell asked if the cut off factor is different region by region. Commissioner Tackett stated that we start with the tools available and try to standardize across the state the rating system. Research nationally shows that some state rank, not rate. Lea Prewitt asked if KHSAA can see ratings on Arbiter and Commissioner Tackett said they can but can’t attribute names. Dickie Adams requested that KHSAA stress to assignors to keep ratings confidential so coaches can rate officials without fear of retaliation.

Scott Chalk brought up his concern regarding off season rules and the restrictions of basketball coaches not having the opportunity to work with their players until October 15 per KHSAA bylaws. Players are working with AAU and club coaches who are not versed in the game and it is hindering individual improvement. He feels kids are being exploited in negative creating situation for a gap to occur between small to larger schools. He asked about scrimmage games and why during this period they can’t have actual paid officials. Those kids who play multiple sports; in small schools it will hurt and have kids choosing one sport over another. The question is, "Is Bylaw 8 a rule where kids are restricted play in the fall?" The Board of Control is split on their position — which could be an equal protection problem. The committee expressed that the dead period is good.

The committee discussed the reduction on games allowed. They agreed that we play too many games, but do not want season shortened, just reduction to have 2 games a week plus tournaments. Kentucky allows more games per season than most other states. There is a thirty (30) game maximum but schools do not have to play thirty (30) games. A second item discussed was the transportation cost and the difficulty it has caused for schools. There are some districts helping pay the cost for schools to travel to games, but it is becoming more difficult for athletic programs to incur the increasing cost of transportation.

The meeting wrapped up with most complimenting the committee for work performed, input and information shared. Ms. Passafiume once again stressed that the KHSAA is here for all schools and members are encouraged to call us anytime. The committee members are the voice for coaches and student athletes.

The meeting adjourned at 4:07 pm.
Member School News

Member schools pull together for deadly tornado victims

In the aftermath of deadly tornadoes that struck the state on Friday, March 2, a number of KHSAA member schools reached out to the affected areas through donations, equipment and volunteers. Among the hardest hit areas were the southern Kenton County, the East Bernstadt area of Laurel County, the entire U.S. 460 corridor (Menifee County, Morgan County (West Liberty), Magoffin County (Salyersville), Johnson County (Paintsville)) as well as parts of Lawrence County.

The outpouring of support was most evident during the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls’ Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournament. During Magoffin County’s stay, the following groups reached out to the 15th Region champions and, by extension, the city of Salyersville:

- The KHSAA was able to help orchestrate an emotional tribute with a pre-game ceremony prior to their first round game, offering to galvanize support for those affected.
- Following Thursday’s first round contest against Ashland Blazer, coach Bill Bradley and the Kittens signed a card, took up a collection among team members, and donated it to the Lady Hornets.
- For the team’s quarterfinal matchup with Lincoln County, fans from Marion and Lincoln counties joined forces to raise $2,000 and donated it to Magoffin County principal Tony Skaggs for tornado relief efforts.
- A group of DuPont Manual supporters anonymously purchased tournament T-shirts and donated them to each member of the Magoffin County team.
- Nearly 200 Logan County High School students turned out to form a cheering section for the Lady Hornets, just hours after the team practiced at the school and met many of its new fans for the first time.
- Since then, other schools reached out to the affected areas.
- Trinity High School in Louisville students and teachers made donations to tornado relief efforts in exchange for t-shirts celebrating the school’s 7th Region basketball championship. The school also gathered extra football equipment and donated to Morgan County High School, where the tornado destroyed the program’s field, equipment and locker room facilities in downtown West Liberty.
- Boone County High School students held two fundraisers to help the victims of the disaster. One of the fundraisers was a senior vs. faculty volleyball game coordinated by the BCHS chapter of the National Honor Society. The event raised money as well as canned food.

Assumption Coach a USATF Finalist

Assumption Track and Field and Cross Country coach Barry Haworth received a special honor when he was named as a finalist for the 2012 Gill Athletics National High School Track and Field Coach of the Year. The award went to Bob Leetch from Redondo Union High School (Calif.).

This year Haworth’s teams achieved a rare feat by winning team state championships in both cross country and track and field. In the fall the Rockets ran away from the rest of the field, winning the Class 3A State Championship by the largest margin (119 points) in the history of the event. Assumption’s 34 team points were also the the lowest in the history of Class 3A.

In the spring Assumption also took home its second state championship and first since 2005, outdistancing North Hardin 63.5-52.
Ken Roark  
(1958-2012)

For followers of mountain football, it is difficult to imagine Kenny Roark without thinking of Middlesboro High School. Roark dedicated most of his life to the Yellow Jacket program, dating back to his time as a student in the mid-1970s. Roark passed away in April following a long illness. He was 54 years old.

Roark first made his mark at Middlesboro when he starred as a linemen on the 1974 and 1975 teams that finished as the Class 2A state runner-up. He earned a scholarship to the University of Kentucky where he had a chance to play on some of the most successful teams in the program’s history, including the 1977 team that finished 10-1. He went on to earn all-Southeastern Conference honors in 1980.

Once his playing career ended his coaching career took him back to his roots. After spending several years as an assistant coach, Roark rose through 2009. Along the way, the Yellow Jacket program achieved the pinnacle of football in the state when his 1998 team defeated Mayfield 27-6 to win the Class 1A state championship.

Roark resigned following the 2009 season so he could watch is son Chase on the gridiron. The pull of the game was too hard to ignore, however, as Roark got back into coaching at Clay County in 2011. Roark battled health problems for many of his final years. Still, he enjoyed his teaching position at Middlesboro, a job he held until he passed away.

“Kenny was truly a character and I mean that in the most positive way,” said KHSAA Commissioner Julian Tackett. “He was one of the giants in the coaching profession in this state and I can say I’ve never met anyone who cared more about kids or his hometown.

“Few people are lucky enough to be able to do what they love all while making their home town a better place. Kenny was able to do that and he sincerely loved every minute of it.”

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