

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

JANUARY 9, 2002

The 85th Annual Meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held on Wednesday, January 9, 2002 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Lexington. KHSAA Board of Control President Kathy Johnston called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Mr. Larry Boucher, Assistant Commissioner, introduced KHSAA Staff members, Board members, and welcomed delegates and guests. Ms. Johnston went over the voting procedure and Mr. Ken Tippett was designated as the Parliamentarian.

Ms. Brigid DeVries, Executive Assistant Commissioner, called the roll for any delegates who had not registered. There were two present, bringing the total number of delegates registered to 228. Ms. Johnston announced that in order for a proposal to pass, 152 affirmative votes were needed.

Commissioner Louis Stout welcomed everyone, and gave a brief overview of the annual report. He then turned the meeting over to President Kathy Johnston. A motion to approve the Commissioner's Annual Report to the Delegate Assembly was made by Betsy Glover, Hancock County High School, seconded by Gene Heffington, Oldham County High School, and passed unanimously.

The next order of business was the presentation of proposals:

A motion was made by Ron Madrick, Holmes High School, seconded by Joe Rogers, Eastern High School, to adopt Proposal 1.

PROPOSAL 1

FAILED, 120 Yes, 95 No, 1 abstain

Proposed by the Board of Control – An amendment to the KHSAA Constitution that would expand the Board of Control to include non-public school representatives.

ARTICLE IV

ADMINISTRATION AND LEGISLATION

Section 1. Officers

The officers of the Association shall be a Commissioner and a Board of Control composed of ~~sixteen (16) members~~eighteen (18) members, at least three (3) of whom shall be African-American, and at least three (3) of whom shall be female.

Section 2. Representation and Governance

A total of six DESIGNATED representatives shall be elected as enumerated in this section.

One African-American shall be elected by the REPRESENTATIVES from regions 1 through 8 and one African-American shall be elected by REPRESENTATIVES from regions 9 through 16 to serve as DESIGNATED members of the Board of Control. (NOTE: The African-American representative elected in 1996 to represent regions one through eight shall serve a term of six years to allow for implementation of the rotation schedule. This DESIGNATED representative shall also be eligible to seek an additional four-year term in the 2002 election). One female shall be elected by the REPRESENTATIVES from regions 1 through 8 and one female shall be elected by REPRESENTATIVES from regions 9 through 16 to serve as DESIGNATED members of the Board of Control.

Terms of the African American and female DESIGNATED members shall be staggered so that one is elected each year.

One person shall be elected by the REPRESENTATIVES from regions 1 through 8 who shall come from the non-public (not classification A1 or D1 schools) member schools of the

Association, and one person shall be elected by the REPRESENTATIVES from regions 9 through 16 and shall come from the non-public (not classification A1 or D1 schools) member schools of the Association to serve as DESIGNATED members of the Board of Control. Following initial election, the terms of the DESIGNATED representatives required to be from the non-public member schools shall be staggered so that one is elected each even numbered year

A motion was made by Phil Burkeen, Warren East High School, and seconded by Walter Heath, Franklin-Simpson High School to adopt Proposal 2.

PROPOSAL 2

PASSED, 181 Yes, 34 No, 0 abstain

Proposed by the Board of Control – An amendment to the KHSAA Constitution that would mandate the approval of membership to the Association be done on an annual basis.

ARTICLE VI

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The deadline for accepting new applications for membership in the Association is September July 1. The Board of Control of the KHSAA shall consider each application for membership for approval at its July meeting and shall have the full authority to deny the membership application of a school whose compliance history is such that the school does not regularly and routinely act in the best interests of the Association or in the case where any requested records are not provided in a timely fashion.

A motion was made by Betsy Glover, Hancock County High School, seconded by B.F. Behrendt, Reidland High School, to adopt Proposal 3.

PROPOSAL 3

PASSED, 179 Yes, 35 No, 2 abstain

Proposed by the Board of Control – An amendment to the KHSAA Constitution that stipulate and clarify the effective date of proposals to change Annual Meeting bylaws.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

Section 5. Effective Date

Unless an emergency situation is declared by the Board of Control and approved by the Kentucky Board of Education, all amendments to the Bylaws of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall be effective in July of an even-numbered year, on the not earlier than the second July 1 following the school year in which the amendment is passed by the Annual Meeting or by referendum and not later than the third July 1 following the school year in which the amendment is passed by the Annual Meeting of by referendum. ~~Amendments to the KHSAA Constitution shall be effective on July 1 following passage and approval by the requisite vote of the membership.~~

A motion was made by Ken Hurt, Garrard County High School, seconded by Scott Greenwald, Seneca High School, to adopt Proposal 4.

PROPOSAL 4

PASSED, 208 Yes, 8 No, 0 abstain

Proposed by the Board of Control – An amendment to KHSAA Bylaw 5 to allow flexibility in the determination date for grade eligibility.

Bylaw 5. Minimum Academic Requirement

Sec. 2. Continual Progress During the School Year

On ~~Friday of each grading period~~ a weekly basis, a student shall also be passing (cumulatively for the credit period) in at least four hours of instruction as defined by Kentucky Board of Education regulations (of the six hours of instruction required) or the equivalent of four hours of instruction acceptable to graduation in order to be eligible to participate in athletics during the ~~next seven day period (Saturday through Friday)~~ subsequent week (Monday through Sunday)

period) and through the next opportunity to examine grades in this manner. On its membership form, each member school shall designate the day of the week, approved and documented through local policies, that the grades shall be examined for the student-athletes within that school in order to make this determination. Absent any other determination, this weekly check of grades shall be conducted on each Friday of each grading period or on the last day of classes preceding that particular Friday if no classes are conducted on that particular Friday. No special tests or recitations are to be given for the purpose of making the student eligible.

A motion was made by Gary Fritz, Madison Central High School, seconded by Betsy Glover, Hancock County High School, to adopt Proposal 5.

PROPOSAL 5

PASSED, 201 Yes, 15 No, 0 abstain

Proposed by the Board of Control – An amendment to KHSAA Bylaw 6 to codify previous interpretations of the rule and ensure that all parties are able to address transfer situations on an equal basis.

Bylaw 6. Transfer Rule

Sec. 1. Domestic Students

Unless there has been a bona fide change in residence by the parents and student that precedes a student's change of schools, any student who has been enrolled in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) and has participated in any varsity game in any sport at any school following enrollment in grade nine (9) who transfers schools shall be ineligible for interscholastic athletics for one year from the date of enrollment.

Determinations of whether a student shall be granted a waiver pursuant to this rule shall be based on the circumstances existing as of the date of enrollment at the new school.

A motion was made by Jack McCloud, George Rogers Clark High School, seconded by Dale Stewart, Apollo High School, to adopt Proposal 6.

PROPOSAL 6

PASSED, 174 Yes, 41 No, 0 abstain

Proposed by the Board of Control – An amendment to KHSAA Bylaw 25 to clarify what can be done by coaches of high school teams outside of the Limitation of Seasons.

Bylaw 25. Limitation of Seasons

(6) Involvement of Members of the Coaching Staff Out of Season

- Members of the high school coaching staff (paid or unpaid) shall not be prohibited from sport specific involvement with any player who has played for a grade nine (9) through grade twelve (12) team (freshman, junior varsity, varsity) from the first day of school through the last day of school provided such play is under the direct control of the same local board of education as the coach is employed and provided such play is not in conflict with other KHSAA bylaws.

A motion was made by Joe Rogers, Eastern High School, seconded by Gary Fritz, Madison Central High School, to adopt Proposal 7.

PROPOSAL 7

FAILED, 63 Yes, 151 No, 1 abstain

Proposed by James Sexton, Principal, Eastern High School. An amendment to the KHSAA Transfer Rule to restrict transferring students from play at the varsity level only rather than from all levels.

Bylaw 6. Transfer Rule

Sec. 1. Domestic Students

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through twelve (12) and has participated in any varsity game in any sport at any school following enrollment in grade nine (9) who transfers schools shall be ineligible for interscholastic athletics at the varsity (first team) level in all sports for one year from the date of enrollment. For purposes of this bylaw, the varsity (first team) level is defined as the team or student(s) who participate in sports for which the school has designated to the KHSAA that it fields a team and in those sports for which the KHSAA sponsors a state championship.

A motion was made by Joe Rogers, Eastern High School, seconded by Tasso Harris, Valley High School, to adopt Proposal 8.

PROPOSAL 8

FAILED, 42 Yes, 170 No, 1 abstain

Proposed by James Sexton, Principal, Eastern High School. An amendment to the KHSAA Transfer Rule to remove the requirements that the entering foreign exchange student come through an approved agency.

Bylaw 6. Transfer Rule

Sec. 2. Non-Domestic Students

- (a) Foreign ~~exchange~~ students attending school in Kentucky shall be considered ineligible for the first calendar year following enrollment.
- (b) If placed in a KHSAA member school under ~~the auspices of approved student exchange programs or in other~~ circumstances approved by the Board of Control within Board policy, these students may be declared ineligible and not be subject to the initial one-year period of ineligibility.
- (c) In order to be considered for a waiver, the student shall be in compliance with all U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service regulations; must be in the first and only year ~~as an exchange student~~ with an approved student visa; must not be a graduate of a the 12th or terminating grade or its' equivalent in either the U.S. or his/her home country; shall be in possession of a complete transcript of records that has been translated into English prior to the request for eligibility; and shall be in possession of a J-1 student education visa issued by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service.
- (d) In addition, the student's host family cannot include members of the coaching staff at the KHSAA member school at which participation is desired.
- (e) To be considered for approval by the Board of Control, a ~~foreign exchange program must assign students~~ student must be assigned to his/her school to schools by a method that ensures that no student, school or interested party may influence the assignment for athletic or other purposes.
- (f) The Board of Control ~~may~~ establish additional criteria by which it shall approve ~~foreign exchange student programs or~~ the placement of other foreign students.
- (g) The student, host family, and the Principal, or designated Representative of the member school ~~and a the placement agency~~ shall sign and attest to certification that the athlete complies with the eligibility rules of the KHSAA and shall not be eligible under any circumstances for more than one year of athletic participation if the first year period of ineligibility is waived.
- (h) Any student having made election to apply for the waiver of the first year of ineligibility and having been granted a waiver of the normal period of ineligibility under subsection (a) above shall not be eligible, under any circumstances, for more than one (1) school year while enrolled in grades 9-12 in Kentucky.
- (i) ~~Any student desiring to participate in athletics who does not meet the criteria listed in Bylaw 6, Sec. 2 (a) and (b) above must seek a waiver of the one year ineligibility period through the KHSAA Due Process Procedure.~~

A motion was made by Ron Madrick, Holmes High School, seconded by Russ Kline, Pleasure Ridge Park High School, to adopt Proposal 9.

PROPOSAL 9

PASSED, 191 Yes, 17 No, 1 abstain

Proposed by Alan Donhoff, Athletic Director, St. Xavier High School. An amendment to KHSAA Bylaw 25 to restore the eleventh week to schedule football games, with the additional week in the early season without affecting the start of practice.

Bylaw 25. Limitation of Seasons

Sec. 5. Sports Specific Limitations - Football - Boys

- (3) The first game shall not take place prior to eleven (11) weekends prior to the weekend of the first round of the state playoffs. ~~NOTE: Beginning in 2003, the first game shall not take place prior to ten (10) weekends prior to the weekend of the first round of the state playoffs.~~

A motion was made by Barry Binkley, Dayton High School, seconded by Tom Woofter, Pendleton High School, to adopt Proposal 10.

PROPOSAL 10

PASSED, 192 Yes, 23 No, 1 abstain

Proposed by Gordon Bocock, Athletic Director, Pulaski County High School. An amendment to KHSAA Bylaw 25 to separate the indoor and outdoor track seasons within the bylaws.

Bylaw 25. Limitation of Seasons

Sec. 12. Sports Specific Limitations - Indoor and Outdoor Track - Boys and Girls

- (1) Following the opening day of school, there shall be no organized practice prior to December 1.
- (2) There shall be no more than two (2) outdoor practice meets prior to the first regular season outdoor meet of that year.
- (3) The first outdoor meet shall not take place before the Monday following the conclusion of the second state basketball tournament of that year.
- (4) The first indoor meet shall not take place prior to January 1. The last indoor meet must be held on or before the second Saturday in March. All indoor meets must be properly sanctioned.
- ~~(5) The indoor and outdoor season shall consist of a combined maximum of fifteen (15) meets. There shall be a limit of four (4) indoor meets (not including the Mason-Dixon games) and each of these meets (not including the Mason-Dixon games) shall count against the limit of fifteen (15) meets.~~
- (5) The indoor season shall consist of a maximum of four (4) meets (not including the Mason-Dixon games) No indoor meet shall count against the limit of outdoor meets.
- (6) The outdoor season shall consist of a maximum of fifteen (15) meets. No outdoor meet shall count against the limit of indoor meets.
- (7) The regular outdoor season ends at all levels of play (grades 9-12) on the day prior to the first day for varsity level competition in KHSAA sanctioned post-season events, with the exception that the varsity team may practice and play through its elimination from KHSAA sanctioned tournament play. Following elimination, there shall be no further practice or play during the remainder of the academic school year.

No motion was made to adopt Proposal 11, and the Proposal died for lack of a motion.

PROPOSAL 11

PROPOSAL FAILED, Lack of Motion

Proposed by Ira Combs, Athletic Director, Perry County Central High School. An amendment to the KHSAA Constitution to move the dates of the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE V

REPRESENTATION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

The ANNUAL MEETING of the membership shall be held in April to coincide with the conduct of the Annual Conference of Kentucky High School Athletic Directors.

Since there was no other business to come before the delegate assembly, a motion to adjourn was made by Betsy Glover, Hancock County High School, seconded by Russ Kline, Pleasure Ridge Park High school, and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.