

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 9-10, 2008

President Donna Wear convened the regular meeting of the Board of Control on Thursday, January 10, 2008 at 8:45 a.m. All Board members were present except L. V. McGinty. 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 Tippet and Office Manager Darlene Koszenski. KHSAA legal counsel, Ted Martin, and KBE liaison Michael Dailey were also present.

Alan Donhoff provided a moment of reflection.

Stan Steidel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

KASS President-Elect Kelley Crain presented a review of 2008 KASS goals following a meeting of the KASS Board of Directors:

1. Focus on the legislature and increase in SEEK money, and KTRS and health benefits funding;
2. Work with KASA and KSBA to ensure they are focusing on the same priorities as KASS;
3. Increase kindergarden funding from 50% to 100%;
4. Changes to the assessment process and improve testing;
5. Fully funding any mandates;
6. Facility funding;
7. Support local decisions concerning school calendars in response to proposals that promote starting school after Labor Day. Starting that late would mean moving CATS testing and may impact KHSAA sports;
8. KASS has tabled any action on athletic schedule reduction pending the results of the KHSAA Ad Hoc Committees on Current Issues, Staffing and Eligibility & Due Process Procedure;
9. Have KASS personnel in Frankfort at all legislative sessions regarding education.

Lonnie Burgett presented a review of his meeting in Frankfort on Wednesday afternoon, January 9, 2008:

1. New Education Commissioner John Draud expects a \$49 million dollar cut in spending by the legislature; school districts should prepare for reduced funding;
2. Schools are advised to prepare their 2008-09 budgets, but won't have accurate figures available by the end of January;
3. Only 20% of high schools are rated "proficient"; the other 80% need to ask for V-Pat Team help;
4. All of the above issues are causing lower morale statewide.

Ozz Jackson, Chairperson, **Team Sports Committee**, asked the record to show that Darren Bilberry will have a Soccer misconduct policy developed by the April, 2008 meeting. No action was taken.

Dave Weedman, Chairperson, **Basketball Committee**, asked the record to show that realignment in selected areas was discussed. No action was taken.

Michael Barren, Chairperson, **Constitution & Bylaws Committee**, asked the record to show that there were no new proposals for the 2008 Annual Meeting at this time. A “DRAFT” of the Bylaws for the 2008-2009 school year was distributed, providing the legislature approves all the changes. No action was taken.

Steve Parker, Chairperson, **Museum Development Committee**, asked the Board to approve the following motion:

1. Authorize the expenditure of \$10,740 from the restricted Museum Fund for replacing all the lighting fixtures in the museum. The motion was made by Lonnie Burgett, seconded by Ozz Jackson, and passed unanimously.

President Wear, **Executive Committee** Chairperson, then asked the Board to approve the following motions:

1. Approve the Association bills from November 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007. The motion was seconded by Jerry Keepers, and passed unanimously
2. Accept the Internal and External Corporate Partner reports as submitted. The motion was seconded by Roger Cook, and passed unanimously.
3. Accept the 2007-08 year to date budget report as presented. The motion was seconded by Lonnie Burgett, and passed unanimously.

President Wear, **Executive Committee** Chairperson, then asked that the record show:

1. Assistant Commissioner Larry Boucher received the post-season basketball officiating assignment requests as follows:

REGION #	REGION PLAY
1	OUT
2	OUT
3	OUT
4	OUT
5	OUT
6	IN
7	IN
8	IN
9	OUT
10	IN
11	IN
12	OUT
13	OUT
14	OUT
15	OUT
16	OUT

Jon Akers, Director of School Safety, presented a power point slide show regarding school events and safety issues. Mr. Akers did an excellent job in pointing out the vulnerability of extra curricular activities, unsafe situations, and in particular athletics. The KHSAA Staff will continue to work with the Kentucky Center for School Safety personnel in this important area.

Let the record show that Steve Parker left the meeting at 10:45 a.m. The following guests arrived at 11:00 a.m.: Principal Happy Mobelini, Hazard High School, Owsley County Superintendent Melinda Turner and Hearing Officer John Adams.

Michael Barren made a motion, seconded by Lonnie Burgett, to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2007 regular meeting and the December 13, 2007 special meeting. The motion passed unanimously. It was noted for the record that Darren Bilberry should be listed in the November minutes, not Roland Williams.

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
#1221 6	ELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Perkins (Moore)	UNANIMOUS			ELIGIBLE 16-0
#1222 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Steidel (Burgett)	UNANIMOUS			INELIGIBLE 16-0
#1226 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Perkins (Burgett)	UNANIMOUS		Cook (R)	INELIGIBLE 15-0-1
#1227 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Cook (Steidel)			Perkins (R)	INELIGIBLE 15-0-1
#1228 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Steidel (Keepers)	Barren, Burgett, Cook, Crain, Jackson, Keepers, Moore, Perkins, Steidel, Stewart, Weedman, Wear	Donhoff, Prewitt, Schlosser, Schneider		INELIGIBLE 12-4
#1230 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Burgett (Perkins)	UNANIMOUS		Barren (R)	INELIGIBLE 15-0-1
#1211 6	INELIGIBLE	UPHOLD Cook (Weedman)	Barren, Burgett, Cook, Crain, Keepers, Moore Perkins, Prewitt, Schneider, Steidel, Stewart, Weedman, Wear	Donhoff, Schlosser	Jackson (R)	INELIGIBLE 13-2-1

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

Alan Donhoff requested information from the last several years regarding the genesis and evolution of any changes regarding financial aid in the bylaws or to the handbook. He asked for the information to be ready at a future Board of Control meeting.

Lonnie Burgett, Chairperson, **Ad Hoc Budget & Staffing Committee**, asked the record to indicate that staffing needs in the office and legal representation were discussed. No action was taken.

Stain Steidel, Chariperson, **Ad Hoc Eligibility & Due Process Procedure Committee**, asked the record to show that the following five options were explored regarding the transfer and appeal process: 1) Have a member of the staff designated to work as a full time compliance officer; 2) Implement a two school or school system sign off procedure on transfer forms; 3) Institute a five member regional panel to investigate questionable eligibility cases; 4) Determine the role of the

Hearing Officer within the Due Process Procedure; 5) Appoint a committee from the Board of Control to finalize appeal rulings. Mr. Steidel also mentioned that the KHSAA was pressured from the KBE, KASS and KHSAA member schools to find solutions quickly that would expedite the process.

Dave Weedman, Chairperson, **Current Issues Committee**, asked the record to show that he will draft a written proposal regarding the cross country qualifying procedure and send it to his committee members. Also, Proposal 2 will be analyzed to determine why it failed, and if there are remedies available conceptually that address some of the issues that still face our schools.

Ozz Jackson made a motion, seconded by Jeff Perkins, to accept the November-December, 2007 Transfer Report. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Perkins made a motion, seconded by Lonnie Burgett, to accept the July-December, 2007 Fines & Penalties Report. The motion passed unanimously

The February 18, 2008 special meeting will start at 8:45 a.m. (ET)

The Sweet 16® Draw will be held on February 1, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. on WKYT-TV and Insight outlets throughout the state.

Kelley Crain asked about official background checks. Right now they are being done on a case by case basis as requested. Mr. Boucher noted that a \$5 increase in official dues would cover the cost of doing criminal records checks on all 4,000 of our officials, and ensure fully electronic licensing. This will be discussed at the February meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m. on Thursday, January 10, 2008, without a motion.

President Donna Wear _____ Date _____

Commissioner Brigid L. DeVries _____ Date _____