Minutes of the Annual Meeting
Kentucky High School Athletic Association

1943

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held in the Mirror Room of the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, on Friday afternoon, April 16, 1943.

President Russell E. Bridges called the meeting to order at 2:15 P.M., with fifty-eight regularly elected delegates or alternates present.

Roy Knight moved, seconded by Cassius Hatcher, that the minutes of the 1942 meeting of the association, which had been previously sent to all member schools, be approved without being read. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Secretary-Treasurer gave the following report on the activities of the association during the 1942-43 school year:

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

Evarts High School was suspended from the association during 1942-43 for the remainder of the school year.

Four hundred eighty-five schools joined the association this year, which is forty-five less than the membership last year. Ninety-three schools are listed as playing football, which is a large decrease in number from last year. Six of these schools indicated that they were playing six-man football. Four hundred eighty-three schools entered district tournaments this year.

One hundred eighteen of one hundred twenty district tournament reports have been received, showing total receipts of $31,316.37, which is a decrease from the receipts of the district tournaments last year. Forty-five districts used the state plan for the distribution of profits.

Fifteen of sixteen regional tournament reports have been received, showing total receipts of $17,950.14, which is a decrease from last year’s regional tournament receipts. Eight regions used the state plan for distribution of profits.

The gross receipts of the state tournament are $6,821.47. Profit to the association from the tournament will be slightly more than $4,505.00. Profit from the four sectional tournaments will be approximately $2,300.00. An itemized report of tournament receipts and disbursements will appear in a forthcoming issue of the association magazine.

Three hundred thirty-one basketball officials and one hundred thirty-one football officials registered with the K. H. S. A. A. this year. This was a decrease in number from last year. There were no interpretation clinics held this year. Eight officials took the football rules examination, with two receiving the approved rating. Eight basketball officials took the rules examination with two receiving the certified rating and one receiving the approved rating. The sixteen employment bureaus for officials functioned again this year.

Fifty schools insured their athletes under the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund. Eight hundred forty-seven boys were insured for football, and five hundred thirty-eight for basketball. Eighty-six injuries were reported. Sixty-nine claims, totaling $965.50, have been paid to date. There will probably be a few spring football claims.

The annual audit will show details of receipts and expenditures for all K. H. S. A. A. accounts.

The proposals included in the mimeographed list sent to all member schools and printed in the April issue were then considered.

Brad Jones moved, seconded by J. H. Parker, that Proposal I, providing that the Board of Control shall have authority to establish uniform procedures in the selection of tournament officials, be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Roy Knight, that Proposal II, providing for the suspension of a school which withdraws from a tournament after the drawings for places, be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Ralph Carlisle moved, seconded by John Heber, that Proposal IV, providing that the Board of Control be denied the power to make eligible a student who returns to his home school after attending a school not in his home district where the Board is convinced that neither charge was made primarily for the purpose of participation in athletics, be tabled. The motion was carried.
Austin S. Durham moved, seconded by Ralph Carlisle, that Proposal V, providing that
drawings for the sectional and state tournaments shall be conducted by the secretary
on the last Saturday in February, be accepted. The motion was carried.

H. L. Perkins moved, seconded by L. C. Shultz, that Proposal VI, providing that two
additional passes to tournametns shall be issued on request to the coach of a participating
school to be used only for extra squadmen or equipment managers, be tabled. The motion
was carried.

A. J. Lowe moved, seconded by John Heber, that Proposal VII, providing that a
maximum number of six cheerleaders be admitted free to any and all games in which the
school they represent participate, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Charles Feltner moved, seconded by W. W. White, that Proposal VIII, providing for the
participation of girls' teams in the tournaments, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Cyrus E. Greene moved, seconded by Ben V. Flora, that Proposal IX, providing that in
basketball no objects less than five feet high shall be permitted, be tabled. The motion was carried.

K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Willard A. Bass, that Proposal X, providing that the
words "school month" be substituted for "week" in the first sentence of By-Law VIII, be
tabled. J. C. Edleman moved, seconded by Arthur Mullins, that the proposal be amended to
substitute "month or six weeks' period" for "week" in Proposal X. The amendment was lost.
The motion to table Proposal X was then voted upon and was carried unanimously.

Darrell Carter moved, seconded by Eberly Hammack, that Proposal XI, providing that "ten
per cent" be substituted for "twenty-five per cent" in Section D of Tournament Rule 4, be
tabled. The motion was carried.

L. C. Winchester moved, seconded by Clifton Cox, that Proposal XII, providing that the
Board of Control shall select the regional tournament sites and assign officials, be
tabled. The motion was carried unanimously.

K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that Proposal XIII, providing that the
participating schools may adopt any plan they desire (by a majority vote) for the
distribution of the receipts of the district tournaments, be accepted. The motion was
lost.

President Bridges then stated that Proposal III had been withdrawn by the Board of
Control, and asked Mr. H. V. Eastin, of the Ormsby Village School, to speak on a
proposed substitute for this proposal. Mr. Eastin then proposed the following by-law,
to be known as By-Law XXXIII: "Sections IV, V, VI, VII and XI of the By-Laws shall not
apply to schools maintained by institutions created by law that receive children by
commitment of court." Brad Jones moved, seconded by John Trapp, that Mr. Eastin's
proposal be considered. The motion was carried unanimously. Brad Jones moved, seconded
by John Trapp, that Mr. Eastin's proposal be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

There was a discussion of the sectional tournaments. L. C. Shultz moved, seconded by
Pleas Turner, that the sectional tournaments be eliminated. President Bridges ruled the
motion out of order since the present by-laws and tournament rules do not provide for
sectional tournaments. Mr. Bridges stated that the tournaments were set up during the
present school year by authority given by a referendum vote to the Board of Control to
alter the state tournament rules for 1942-43. Mr. Bridges then took a poll of the
deleagtes with reference to eliminating the sectional tournaments, a majority of the group
favoring the elimination of these tournaments. It appeared that the principal objection
to the tournaments was the holding of the sectional and state tournaments during the
same week.

The election of two directors was then held. President Bridges stated that nominations
were in order for a director to represent Regions 1, 2, 3 and 4. M. E. Swain nominated
The nomination was seconded by K. G. Gillaspie. Sam Pollock moved, seconded by
L. C. Winchester, that the nominations cease. The motion was carried unanimously.

The candidates were then asked to retire and the vote taken. President Bridges
declared that Mr. Jetton had been elected a director for a two-year period.

President Bridges stated that nominations were now in order for a director to represent
Regions 13, 14, 15 and 16. J. C. Edleman nominated E. M. Norsworthy of
Cassius Patcher nominated Russell Williamson of Inez. Ben Flora moved, seconded by
John Trapp, that the nominations cease. The motion was carried unanimously.

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The candidates were then asked to retire and the vote was taken. President Bridges declared that Russell Williamson had been elected for a two-year period.

There was a discussion of proposed state meets in the minor sports. John Heber moved, seconded by Brad Jones, that the Board of Control be authorized to make every effort to maintain state meets in track, golf and tennis. The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The dinner meeting of the association was held in the Mirror Room of the Kentucky Hotel at 6:30 P.M. with seventy five delegates, guests, and school officials present. The principal speaker for the occasion was Captain E. B. Stansbury, of the Army Air Force, who gave an interesting talk on the need of increased emphasis on physical education and athletics in Kentucky high schools.