Minutes of the Annual Meeting
Kentucky High School Athletic Association
1948

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held at the Henry Clay Hotel, Louisville, on Friday afternoon, April 16, 1948.

President Lyman V. Ginger called the meeting to order at 2:45 and asked Vice-President T. K. Stone to call the roll of delegates. Fifty regularly elected delegates or alternates answered the roll call. Marshall Swain moved, seconded by Roger Wilson, that the following delegates be seated, in the absence of the delegates or alternates from their respective districts: Hugh Croodus, District 18; W. A. Gason, District 37; Jerry Hacker, District 49; and John Libner, District 53. The motion was carried unanimously.

L. C. Shultz moved, seconded by Aberly Hammack, that the minutes of the 1947 annual meeting of the association, which had been sent previously to all member schools, be approved without being read. The motion was carried unanimously.

Commissioner Sanford then gave the following report on the activities of the Association during the 1947-48 school year:

"496 schools joined the Association during 1947-48. This is 12 more than the number of schools enrolled last year. 105 schools indicated that they played football this year, which is 2 less than the number playing last year. 491 schools entered district tournaments.

"Total receipts of the 15 regional tournaments amounted to $43,301.06, after federal tax was deducted. The 50 district reports show total receipts of $111,907.56 after tax was deducted. The receipts of both regional and district tournaments were the largest in the history of the Association.

"Gross receipts of the State Tournament were $55,625.56, including federal tax. Profit to the Association will be approximately $32,000.00.

"1160 basketball officials and 277 football officials registered with the K. H. S. A. A. in 1947-1948. This was an increase in number over the 1946-1947 registration. 9 football rules clinics were held under the direction of Clarence L. "Cap" Maddox, and 16 football officials took the National Federation rules examination for the higher ratings.

"The basketball clinics were conducted by Charles Vettiner of Louisville. 96 officials took the basketball exam, with 5 being added to the Certified list and 23 receiving the approved rating.

"102 schools insured their athletes under the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund. 1346 boys were insured for football. This is 254 more than the number insured last year. 1416 boys were insured in basketball. This is 254 more than the number insured last year. 30 boys were insured in baseball. 209 injuries have been reported. 159 claims totaling $2,753.45 have been paid to date.

"Kentucky has made great advances in recent years in the sports of football and basketball, and our schools should now do everything in their power to stimulate interest in the spring sports. Track has received increased support in recent years, but more schools should have teams in this sport. The increased interest in baseball within the last four or five years has been almost phenomenal. It is estimated that 150 teams will be entered in district baseball tournaments this spring. Schools which have trouble in financing spring and summer baseball should ask for help from civic clubs and from the
It is hoped that before very long some area in the state will extend its baseball season through the summer months, with the teams competing as high school teams. Recently several inquiries have been sent to the State Office concerning 5-man football, and it is believed that several leagues in this sport will be organized next fall by some of the smaller schools which find it impossible to maintain the eleven-man game."

President Ginger then made a short talk concerning the cooperation received by the Commissioner and the Board of Control during the current school year, and asked for a full expression of opinion on all proposals about to be considered.

W. H. Cason moved, seconded by Roger Silson, that Proposal I, relative to the number of basketball games to be played during each season by member schools, be adopted. The motion was carried.

Cecil Reid moved, seconded by C. V. Watson, that Proposal II, providing that no football game shall be played until the team has had three weeks of regular practice, be adopted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Eberly Hammack moved, seconded by Leon Cook, that Proposal III, providing that a contestant becomes ineligible on his twentieth birthday, be adopted. The motion was carried.

C. H. Arnett moved, seconded by Cecil Reid, that Proposal IV, providing that By-Law 5, Section 5, Exception for Veterans, be eliminated from the rules, be adopted. The motion was carried.

John Vickers moved, seconded by Harry Lindenberg, that Proposal V, a new sanction rule, be adopted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Rev. Paul Ciangatti moved, seconded by W. H. Cason, that Proposal VI, relative to the number of games to be scheduled by a school voting on the location of tournaments, be tabled. The motion failed to carry. C. A. Thomasson moved, seconded by Cecil Reid, that Proposal VI be adopted. The motion was carried.

Eberly Hammack, seconded by C. H. Arnett, proposed the following amendments to Proposal VII, relative to the limiting of the football and basketball seasons: "(1) that the words 'scheduled game' be inserted before the word 'season'; and (2) that the Commissioner be given the authority to waive the provisions of Proposal VII when necessary to avoid conflict with contracts signed previous to the time of the annual meeting. The motion was carried.

Cecil Reid moved, seconded by C. J. Allen, that Proposal VII as amended be tabled. The motion failed. Eberly Hammack then moved, seconded by R. A. Demunbrun, that Proposal VII, as amended, be adopted. The motion was carried.

Harold Allen moved, seconded by C. J. Allen, that Proposal VIII, providing that the Commissioner shall determine the regional tournament sites, be tabled. The motion failed to carry. C. A. Thomasson moved, seconded by C. V. Watson, that Proposal VIII be adopted. The motion was carried.

Rev. Paul Ciangatti moved, seconded by Jack Byrd, that Proposal IX, providing that the Board of Control and the Commissioner shall select and assign the officials used in the regional and State tournaments, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Leon Cook moved, seconded by C. H. Arnett, that Proposal X, providing that a contestant becomes ineligible on his nineteenth birthday if his birthday is before September 1, be tabled. The motion was carried.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by R. A. Demunbrun, that Proposal VI, providing that a contestant becomes ineligible on his nineteenth birthday if his birthday is before September 1, and that a contestant who becomes nineteen years of age between September 1 and
December 1 shall be eligible the first semester, be tabled. The motion was carried.

R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by Cecil Reid, that Proposal XII, providing that the coach of the team shall be a duly certificated member of the school faculty, be adopted. The motion was carried.

L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by Bro. Ricardo, that Proposal XIII, providing that a player who reaches his twentieth birthday during the second semester of any school year shall be eligible to participate in athletics for the remainder of this semester, be tabled. The motion was carried.

F. J. Wilkinson moved, seconded by Carl McCray, that Principal Joe Chr, who had submitted Proposal XIV, be allowed to speak on the proposal, which provides that the manager of the State Basketball Tournament be directed to allow at least fifteen minutes between each scheduled game of the State Tournament. After Mr. Chr had given his reasons for submitting the proposal, and after a general discussion, Harry Lindenberg moved, seconded by Carl McCray, that Proposal XIV be adopted. The motion was carried.

R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by Marion Crowe, that proposals relative to track, submitted by track coaches of the Kentucky High School Coaches association and by the State Track Committee, be considered. The motion was carried.

R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by Roger Wilson, that the proposal of the State Track Coaches that Track Rule XIV be amended to provide that the usual allowance for expenses to the State Track Meet shall be made for any coach whose State Track Meet squad consists of at least two first or second place winners in the regional meet. The motion was carried.

The proposal of the State Track Committee, presented by John Heber, provided that the following be added to Track Rule IX: "A contestant who enters either the 440, 330, or mile run may participate in only one additional running event (relays included), which may not exceed 440 yards in length. L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by Roger Wilson, that the proposal be adopted. The motion was carried.

The Commissioner stated that the terms of Board of Control members J. Matt Sparkman and Lawrence Carter would end on June 30, and that no nominations for membership on the Board had been received from Sections 7 and 8 on January 31, the deadline for submitting nominations. The Commissioner explained that the terms of the Board members had been determined by lot during the June, 1947, meeting of the Board, and that Mr. Sparkman and Mr. Carter had drawn one-year terms but that no general announcement had been made concerning this, which probably explains why no nominations had been received from Sections 7 and 8. He recommended that the deadline for nominating Board of Control members from Section Sections 7 and 3 be extended to May 1. L. G. Shultz moved, seconded by John Vickers, that the recommendation of the Commissioner be accepted and approved. The motion was carried.

The Commissioner then made the announcement concerning the dinner meeting. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The dinner meeting of the association was held at the Henry Clay Hotel at 6:30 PM, with more than 100 delegates, guests, and school officials present. Coach Ed Didle of Western Kentucky State Teachers College, and Coach Bernard Hickman of the University of Louisville made short talks which were enjoyed by all present.

Lyman V. Ginger
President

James Sanford
Secretary