Board of Control Meeting - July 9 - 10, 1948

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, on Friday evening, July 9, 1948. Vice-President T. K. Stone called the meeting to order at 11:00 P.M., with Directors J. Matt Sparkman, J. B. Mansfield, James L. Cobb, Sam Pollock, Carlos Oakley, and Commissioner Theo A. Sanford present. James L. Cobb moved, seconded by Carlos Oakley, that the reading of the minutes of the April 16 meeting be waived, since all members of the Board had received a copy of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner presented a copy of the 1948-49 K. H. S. A. A. financial report to each Board member, and there was a discussion of the report. It was suggested that the budget for 1948-49 be adopted at the October meeting of the Board. Sam Pollock moved, seconded by Carlos Oakley, that the financial report as presented by the Commissioner be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

James L. Cobb moved, seconded by J. B. Mansfield, that the rate allowed Board members and others transacting official business for the Association be increased from 6¢ to 7¢ since the latter figure had recently been set by the State of Kentucky, the new rate to go into effect as of July 1, 1948. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that J. Matt Sparkman had received the necessary number of endorsements for nomination as a member of the Board of Control for the period beginning July 1, 1948, and that no other nominations had been received from Section 8. James L. Cobb moved, seconded by Sam Pollock, that the Board of Control declare Mr. Sparkman elected as a member of the Board for a four-year period, beginning July 1, 1948. The motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned to reconvene at 9:30 A.M. on Saturday, July 10. President Ginger was in attendance at this meeting and was the presiding officer.

The Commissioner reported that he had found it impossible to attend the summer meeting of the National Federation, held at Pequot Lakes, Minnesota, on June 28-29-30, and that he had asked Vice-President T. K. Stone to represent the Association at the meeting. Mr. Stone gave an interesting report on the proceedings of the meeting.

It was suggested that President Lyman V. Ginger, a veteran football official, conduct the football clinics for the Association, beginning the last week in August. Mr. Ginger agreed to conduct the clinics in the event that he returned from a proposed Colorado trip in time.

There was a lengthy discussion on methods of improving officiating in the state. It was suggested that additional information should be given on the "School's Report on Officials" blank relative to the mistakes made by officials. Numerous mistakes were listed by the Board members, and it was suggested that these items be coded and listed on the report blank, with schools being asked to indicate the specific mistakes made by the officials.

There was a general discussion concerning a ruling which had been given to the Madison High School at Richmond several years ago relative to the combining of the Model High and Madison High squads. It was believed by all members of the Board that this was not in accordance with the rules of the K. H. S. A. A. since both schools are fully accredited and eligible for membership in the Association. The Commissioner was asked to write Supt. A. L. Lassiter at Richmond for an explanation of the plan which he was using in combining the two schools mentioned, and to determine whether or not the
present procedure needs to be stopped under the rules of the Association.

On the recommendation of the Commissioner, T. K. Stone moved, seconded by Carlos Oakley, that the salaries of Mary Frances Craig and Elizabeth Posey, secretaries, be increased from $150.00 to $160.00 per month. The motion was carried unanimously.

There was a discussion of the dates for the various spring meets. No action was taken in setting the dates, but the Commissioner was asked to write the members of the State Track Committee concerning their views on the date of the 1949 State Track Meet.

The Commissioner read a letter from Vernon Fields concerning the possibility of commercial sponsorship of State Basketball Tournament films. It was the opinion of all members of the Board that commercial sponsorship of the films would not be objectionable, and that this was especially true since the limited use of the films for which the Association paid during the last two or three years indicates that the Association should probably no longer provide and pay for these films.

The Commissioner read a letter from Coach Edgar McNabb of Beechwood concerning the possibility of waiving the game-limit rule in order to allow the team to play a game previously scheduled with Ashland. It was the opinion of all members of the Board that the Commissioner did not have the authority to waive the rule mentioned, and it was suggested that he notify Mr. McNabb accordingly.

The Commissioner read some correspondence which he had received from Supt. Carl Hicks of Catlettsburg, relative to the waiving of the "preceding semester" rule for a returned veteran, John Plummer, who had enrolled at Catlettsburg late in the spring and was therefore not in school for three months during the spring semester. The Commissioner had previously stated, in a letter to Mr. Hicks, that he did not believe that he had the authority to waive the "preceding semester" rule after July 1, but that he would be glad to call this case to the attention of the Board of Control. It was the opinion of all members of the Board that the Commissioner does not now have the authority to waive the rule mentioned, and that John Plummer will therefore not be eligible for the first semester of the school year 1948-49.

The Commissioner reported that no nominations for a member to represent Section 7 on the Board of Control had been received, and that the term of Lawrence Carter had expired on June 30. It was the opinion of the Board that this vacancy on the Board should be filled under the provisions of Section 3-d-4 of the K. H. S. A. A. Constitution. T. K. Stone moved, seconded by J. B. Mansfield, that Supt. Roy G. Eversole of Hazard be elected to membership on the Board of Control for the period beginning July 1, 1948 and ending June 30, 1952. The motion was carried unanimously.

There was a discussion on redistricting. T. K. Stone moved, seconded by James L. Cobb, that the following changes be made in basketball districts: District 9, Webster County; District 10, Henderson and Union counties; District 34, Boone County, Lloyd, St. Henry, and Simon Kenton; District 34, Kenton County except Lloyd, St. Henry, and Simon Kenton. The motion was carried unanimously.

James L. Cobb moved, seconded by Carlos Oakley, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning April 16 and ending July 8 be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Board was then called to order in its capacity as the Board of Directors of the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund. T. K. Stone moved, seconded by Sam Pollock, that the officers and directors for the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund be the same as the officers and directors of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, namely, Lyman V. Ginger, President; T. K. Stone, Vice-President; Theo. A. Sanford, Secretary-Treasurer; and
J. Matt Sparkman, Sam Pollock, Carlos Oakley, James L. Cobb, J. B. Mansfield, and Roy G. Eversole Directors. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that it had not been necessary to transfer any money from the K. H. S. A. General Fund to the Protection Fund during the 1947-48 fiscal year, pointing out that no clerical expenses had been charged against the Fund. There was a discussion concerning the possibility of increasing the benefits slightly for the coming year, but it was decided that the benefits should be kept the same in 1948-49 as they were in 1947-48 since an effort was to be made to induce schools to insure students taking the newly required course of Health and Physical Education, and since no records were available concerning the possible gain or loss from this phase of the program.

J. B. Mansfield moved, seconded by J. Matt Sparkman, that the following claims against the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund be allowed:

Prin. H. B. Gray, Bowling Green H. S., for Joe Manley
Sister M. Celeste, Prin., Holy Family H. S., for Robert Gossett
Mrs. Arthur H. Johnson, Prin., Lynch H. S., for Johnny Bonich
Prin. Clyde T. Lassiter, Middlesboro H. S., for Bobby Reaves
Prin. Sergius Leach, Paris H. S., for John William Crump
Supt. K. H. Harding, Mt. Sterling H. S., for Bobby Lyons
Prin. T. L. Cocanougher, Mackville H. S., for Billy Parrott
Supt. K. H. Harding, Mt. Sterling H. S., for Frankie Carr
Supt. K. H. Harding, Mt. Sterling H. S., for Jimmy Bayes
Prin. Eberly Hambuck, Highlands H. S., for Jerry Moore
Prin. Bruce Daniel, Shelbyville H. S., for Charles Turner
Prin. Bruce Daniel, Shelbyville H. S., for Robert Logan

The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

[Signatures]

President

Secretary