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Board of Control Meeting - October 16, 1948

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, on Saturday evening, October 16, 1948. Vice-President T. K. Stone called the meeting to order at 10:00 P.M., with directors J. Matt Sparkman, J. B. Mansfield, James L. Cobb, Sam Pollock, Carlos Oakley, Roy G. Eversole, and Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford present. Carlos Oakley moved, seconded by Sam Pollock, that the reading of the ^{minutes of the} July 9-10 meeting be waived, since members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. F. H. Litkenhous appeared before the Board to discuss the possibility of

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the Litkenhous rating high school champion football team being declared the official K. H. S. A. A. state champion each year. There was considerable discussion concerning Mr. Litkenhous' proposition. James L. Cobb moved, seconded by J. B. Mansfield, that the Board of Control not take immediate action on the Litkenhous proposal, that the matter be given careful consideration by members of the Board, and that the Commissioner should inform Mr. Litkenhous later concerning the Board's action. The motion was carried unanimously. After Mr. Litkenhous had retired, it was agreed that each Board member would contact school men in their respective areas concerning the advisability of the Association determining a state champion and using the Litkenhous system in determining the champion.

The Board of Control had come to Louisville after attending a short meeting at the New Capitol Hotel, Frankfort, with Principal Roy Bondurant and Assistant Principal Vivian Moore present at the meeting, to appeal a decision of the Commissioner. The Commissioner had declared Oakley Watkins of Bald Knob, a returned serviceman, ineligible since the boy had already attained his twentieth birthday and since the Commissioner no longer has authority to waive any of the provisions of the rules for returning servicemen. Roy G. Eversole moved, seconded by J. Matt Sparkman, that the Board concur in the decision of the Commissioner in the Oakley Watkins case. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner presented to the Board a suggested K. H. S. A. A. working budget for the year 1948-49, showing estimated receipts of \$37,202.50, and estimated disbursements of \$32,387.40. J. Matt Sparkman moved, seconded by J. B. Mansfield, that the working budget presented by the Commissioner be accepted and approved, and that a copy of it be made a part of the minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

There was a discussion of By-Law 30, which provides that the coach of a team shall be a duly certificated member of the school faculty. The Commissioner reported that he had interpreted the word "coach" in this rule to mean "head coach" in any sport. He also reported that the present situation had been further complicated by a letter from Miss Louise Combs of the Division of Certification, State Department of Education, to the effect that certificates were not required of teachers in private and parochial schools. The Commissioner further stated that he had asked Miss Combs, in a telephone conversation, to issue regular or emergency certificates to coaches in private and parochial schools if this could be done, but that he had received no recent reply from Miss Combs or Superintendent Hodgkin concerning the policy that would be adopted by the State Department of Education relative to issuing the certificates mentioned. The Commissioner was authorized to write to Miss Combs for information concerning this matter, and to attempt to determine what member schools of the Association, if any, were failing to comply with the provisions of By-Law 30.

The Commissioner reported that the majority of members of the State Track Committee had asked that the State Track Meet be held earlier than last season, preferably on the third week-end in May. Roy G. Eversole moved, seconded by Sam Pollock, that the Commissioner contact University of Kentucky officials relative to the availability of the college track facilities on the third week-end in May, and that the State Meet be held on this date if arrangements could be made. The motion was carried unanimously.

The naming of the Kentucky representative on the National Federation Football Committee was discussed. The Commissioner stated that it was probable that the Kentucky representative on the committee and the football clinic director for 1949 should be one and the same person, if a competent clinic director can be secured. All members of the Board agreed that Association President Lyman V. Ginger should be the representative and clinic director if he is available for these services to the Association. Carlos Oakley moved, seconded by James L. Cobb, that the Commissioner be authorized to name a director of football clinics for 1949, and that this person represent Kentucky on the football committee at the annual meeting of the National Federation. The motion was carried unanimously.

Vice-President T. K. Stone reported on the recent State Swimming Clinic held at Lexington on October 2. The State Swimming Committee, composed of Chairman Stone, E. W. Craik, and M. J. Cavana, had previously recommended that the 1949 State Swimming Meet be held at Berea on the Saturday following the week of the State Basketball Tournament. The Commissioner was authorized to write to Berea officials concerning the availability of the college swimming pool for the State Meet on March 26, 1949.

A letter was read, written by Mr. Claude H. Harris of the Louisville Junior Chamber of Commerce, relative to the possibility of sanction of a post-season football game at Louisville, to be played for the Kentucky Crippled Children's Commission. It was the opinion of all members of the Board that, under the new "Limitation of Seasons" rule, no sanction is necessary for the proposed game if played on or before December 1. Sam Pollock moved, seconded by J. Matt Sparkman, that the Board decline to sanction any football game played after December 1. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner read the correspondence in the case of Henry Webb Juett of Williamstown. Superintendent William T. McGraw of Williamstown had asked that Juett, who entered K.M.I. in 1944 and who had been enrolled at Williamstown for the last two years, be declared eligible because of the fact that the boy's illness during the second year of enrollment at K.M.I. had prevented his full classroom attendance during that school year. Mr. McGraw had requested that Juett's enrollment at K.M.I. during 1945-46 not be counted against his semester record. The Commissioner stated that Mr. McGraw had been unable to establish that the boy was in actual class attendance during the period mentioned for less than six weeks each semester, that Col. C. B. Richmond, president of K.M.I., had stated in a letter, "Our records show that this young man entered the Kentucky Military Institute September, 1944, and was with us until May 27, 1946," and that he therefore did not see how Henry Webb Juett could possibly be eligible under the present rules of the Association. Roy G. Eversole moved, seconded by Sam Pollock, that the Board of Control concur in the Commissioner's decision in the Henry Webb Juett case. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that, in compliance with a request of the Board made in the July meeting, he had written Superintendent A. L. Lassiter of Richmond, in an effort to determine whether or not the Madison-Model High School at Richmond is one or two schools. He stated that Mr. Lassiter in his reply had indicated that the present plan of combining the schools had been worked out several years ago, and that the State Department of Education considered the school as one school. This position was substantiated by a letter from Mr. Mark Godman, Division of Supervision, State Department of Education. Several Board members indicated that it was their belief that the Madison-Model High School was listed as two schools by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The Commissioner was authorized to write to Prof. M. E. Ligon, Southern Association representative in Kentucky, for information concerning this phase of the question, and to report his findings at a subsequent meeting of the Board.

The Commissioner read the correspondence which he had received in connection with the Daniel Hatfield case. Hatfield, whose home is in Covington, who had completed the work of the eighth grade at the Carlisle Junior High School in Covington, is now enrolled as a ninth grader at the Dixie Heights High School, paying the regular tuition charge made by this school. The Commissioner stated that, in his opinion, Hatfield was eligible, with respect to residence, at any high school of his choice since he had not represented a senior high school in a first team game in any sport, and he also stated that no evidence had been produced to indicate that undue influence had been brought to bear on Hatfield to cause him to enroll at Dixie Heights. Carlos Oakley moved, seconded by Roy G. Eversole, that the Board concur in the ruling of the Commissioner on the Daniel Hatfield case. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner read a letter which he had received from Coach Ralph Kimmel of the duPont Manual Training High School, suggesting certain changes in the high school baseball program. Mr. Kimmel suggested that the American Legion and high school program be combined for the summer months, that two losses instead of one should be necessary to eliminate teams in the high school baseball tournaments, and that nine innings instead of seven be played in tournament games, especially in the finals. The Board declined to accept any of the recommendations made by Mr. Kimmel. The Board believed that it was impractical at this stage in the development of the high school baseball teams in Kentucky to combine the Legion and high school programs, that the expense involved should prevent increasing the number of tournament games which would be required by the proposed new elimination plan, and that seven inning games should be continued during the regular season and in all tournaments since this is the recommendation of the National Federation for high school baseball games.

The Commissioner read the correspondence in connection with the Paul McManus case. This boy is enrolled at the Symsonia High School, and first represented this school in 1943-44 as an eighth grader. McManus played the following year, and was certified as a ninth grader, although it is probable that he was retained in the eighth grade. The Commissioner had declared the boy ineligible for the following reasons: If the original certifications on the boy were correct, he has already been in school for eight semesters. If he repeated the eighth grade in 1944-45, he competed as an ineligible player during that time, and this year of competition should probably be charged against his high school record. The Commissioner asked the opinion of the Board concerning the policy as established by precedent in cases of this nature. It was the opinion of all members of the Board that it has been and should be the established policy of the Board to charge a year of high school competition against any player who was later found to be ineligible during the year in question. Carlos Oakley moved, seconded by James L. Cobb, that the Board concur in the ruling of the Commissioner in the Paul McManus case. The motion was carried unanimously.

James L. Cobb moved, seconded by Matt Sparkman, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning July 9 and ending October 15 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. Carlos Oakley moved, seconded by James L. Cobb, that the following claims against the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund be allowed:

Secretary of State, annual verification report fee	\$	1.00
Claud Brown, P.M., stamps		15.03
H. Otto Printing Company, printing		109.50
Leigh Harris, Publisher, printing		20.50
Prin. Clyde Lassiter, Middlesboro H. S., for Ed Miracle		4.00
Prin. Clyde Lassiter, Middlesboro H. S., for Douglas Fraim		12.00
Prin. Clyde Lassiter, Middlesboro H. S., for Bobby Jenkins		25.00
Prin. Clyde Lassiter, Middlesboro H. S., for Jimmy Herd		6.00
Prin. F. I. Satterlee, Campbell Co. H. S., for Melvin Boden		62.00
Supt. H. C. Taylor, Elizabethtown H.S., overpayment of insurance fees		3.50
Prin. Clyde Lassiter, Middlesboro H. S., for Jim Simms		5.00
Morgan Co. H. S., refund on overpayment of insurance fees		4.50
Prin. A. F. Young, Danville H. S., for Ralph Russell		7.50
Prin. T. T. Knight, Okolona H. S., for Robert Watson		9.00
Prin. W. B. Jones, Somerset H. S., for Charles Phillippi		69.20
Prin. H. A. Howard, Corbin H. S., for Robert Barton		20.00
Prin. G. W. Kemper, Ludlow H. S., for Robert Orr		30.00
Prin. G. W. Kemper, Ludlow H. S., for Robert Creutzinger		15.00
Prin. W. B. Jones, Somerset H. S., for Robert Gover		10.00
Prin. Joe W. Dennis, Winchester H. S., for Gene Wells		40.00

Bowling Green H. S., refund on overpayment of insurance fees	3.00
Prin. Claude Pardo, Lancaster H. S., for Carl Speaks	8.00
Prin. Claude Pardo, Lancaster H. S., for William Nevius	5.00
Prin. Claude Pardo, Lancaster H. S., for Paul Grimes	7.00
Prin. A. F. Young, Danville H. S., for Charles Pack	15.00
Prin. B. K. Bedford, Tompkinsville H. S., for Eugene Butler	11.50
Prin. B. K. Bedford, Tompkinsville H. S., for Leslie Carter	15.00
Prin. James B. McEuen, Mt. Sterling H. S., for Paul Bashford	7.50
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Prin. James B. McEuen, Mt. Sterling H. S., for Buddy Dotson	7.00
Prin. T. T. Knight, Okolona H. S., for Eugene Tichenor	7.50
Prin. T. T. Knight, Okolona H. S., for James Williams, Jr.	7.50
Prin. Clyde T. Lassiter, Middlesboro H. S., for Foley Hendrickson	8.00

The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Lyman G. Ginger
President

Shelton R. Ruffolo
Secretary

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PROPOSED K. H. S. A. A. BUDGET FOR 1948-1949

RECEIPTS

500 Member schools @ \$3.00	\$ 1,500.00
1500 Officials @ \$2.00	3,000.00
Advertising in Magazine	640.00
Sale of National Federation Publications	100.00
Interest Received from Bonds	962.50
Profit from State Basketball Tournament	30,000.00
Receipts from State Baseball Tournament	500.00
Receipts from State Track Meet	500.00
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	\$ 37,202.50

DISBURSEMENTS

Commissioner's salary	7,000.00
Expenses-Commissioner's office	300.00
Telephone and Telegraph	800.00
Board of Control Expense	2,500.00
Fidelity Bonds	47.50
Printing	1,200.00
Addressograph plates	50.00
Office Rental	1,000.00
Secretarial help	3,840.00
Insurance on Equipment	10.00
Repairs on Equipment	30.00
Office Supplies	150.00
New Equipment	500.00
Postage	600.00
Service Charges-Bank	35.00
Rental of Safety Deposit Box	2.40
Purchase of National Federation Publications	1,500.00
Football & Basketball Clinics	700.00
Officials' Emblems	225.00
<u>Magazine Costs</u>	
Printing & Engraving	2,500.00
Mailing	35.00
Press Service	50.00
Expense-Editor's office	100.00
Binding Magazine	30.00
Audit	35.00
Girls' Division-Printing & Supplies	50.00
Investigations for Board of Control	200.00
National Federation dues	22.50
Rental on Films	250.00
Transfer of Funds to K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund	500.00
Delegates to National Federation Meetings	700.00
Officials' Bureaus	25.00
Track Expense	3,000.00
Meals-Annual Banquet	400.00
Golf Expense-State Meet	200.00
Baseball Expenses-(District, Regional & State Meets)	150.00
State Tennis Meet Expenses	3,300.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
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