Minutes of the Annual Meeting

Kentucky High School Athletic Association 1952

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held at the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, on Friday afternoon, April 18, 1952.

Vice-president T. K. Stone called the meeting to order at 2:00 o'clock, and asked Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford to call the roll of delegates. Fifty-nine regularly elected delegates or alternates answered the roll call. The following delegates were seated, in the absence of the delegates or alternates from their respective districts: John Robinson, D. 4; and Paul Coop, D. 21.

C. V. Watson moved, seconded by John Robinson (Lone Oak), that the minutes of the 1951 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 1951-52 school year:

"Four hundred seventy-seven schools joined the Association during 1951-52. This is nine less than were enrolled in 1950-51. One hundred seven schools had eleven-man football teams, and twenty played six-man football. This represents a decrease of one in the number of schools having eleven-man teams. The number of six-man teams was the same as that of last year.

"The sixteen regional tournament financial reports have been received, showing total receipts of \$78,987.60. The sixty-two district tournament financial reports indicate total receipts of \$147,504.86. Receipts from ticket sales at the State Basketball Tournament, exclusive of refunds and re-deposits on bad checks, were \$91,549.50. Profit to the Association will exceed \$70,000.00. A few tournament bills are still being received in the state office, with the result that it is necessary to give an estimate of tournament profits at this time. A complete record of all receipts and disbursements will appear in a subsequent issue of the Association magazine.

"Nine hundred forty-three basketball officials and 306 football officials registered with the Association in 1951-52. Nine football rules clinics were held under the direction of K. H. S. A. A. President Lyman V. Ginger, and sixty-two football officials took the National Federation rules examination for the higher ratings. The basketball clinics were conducted by Charlie Vettiner, as was the two-day School For Basketball Officials. Mr. Vettiner held fifteen clinics. The sixteen regional officials continued to do fine work throughout the season with their clinics, assembly programs, and radio and television appearances. One hundred fifty-one officials took the basketball examination, with twenty-three being added to the "certified" list, and eighty-two receiving the "approved" rating. More officials worked for the higher ratings this year than ever before.

"Two hundred two schools insured their athletes under the K. H. S. A. A. Protection Fund. Two thousand two hundred ninety-seven boys were insured in football and 3404 in basketball. To date 167 boys have been insured in track or baseball. One hundred forty-two were insured for Physical Education. This is 1904 more than the total number of players insured in 1950-51. Three hundred twenty-four claims, totaling \$5,707.32, have been paid to date.

"One school was suspended from the Association this year, with another being placed on probation. Both penalties came as a result of violations of K. H. S. A. A. By-Law 17, Practice of Sportsmanship.

"Advance reports indicate that more Kentucky high schools will have teams in baseball, track, golf and tennis this spring than at any other time in the history of the K. H. S. A. A. The State Swimming Committee conducted a very successful state meet this year. One hundred thirty boys, representing fifteen schools, took part in the meet held in Lexington on March 29. The committee will make every effort to set up regional meets in this sport for 1952-53.

"The 1951-52 school year has been a fine one for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. Our school men have been most cooperative in every way, and very few troublesome cases have developed. Our school patrons who attend athletic contests have for the most partbegun to realize that poor sportsmanship reflects discredit on their respective schools and have acted accordingly. The finances of the Association continue to remain in excellent condition, as a result of the continuing increased profits from the State High School Basketball Tournament.

"The members of the Board of Control, the Commissioner and his staff appreciate the honor of serving the member schools of the K. H. S. A. A., and will always welcome suggestions and constructive criticism which might result in improving the expanding program of the Association."

John Robinson (Lone Oak) moved, seconded by J. B. Cunningham, to accept the reading of the report. The motion was carried unanimously.

President Lyman V. Ginger stated that consideration of the proposals was the next order of business.

Eugene Tallent moved, seconded by Darrell Carter, that Proposal I, providing for a limitation of the number of tournaments in which a member school may enter a team, be adopted. The vote in favor of the motion was 30-28, but President Ginger declared the proposal lost since it referred to a change in the By-Laws and the motion had not carried by the required two-thirds majority of all votes cast.

W. W. Chumbler moved, seconded by Arthur Mullins, that Proposal II, providing for a change in By-Law 21 relative to a decrease in the number of basketball games played each season by teams representing member schools, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Forrest Sale moved, seconded by K. G. Gillaspie, that parliamentary procedure be waived to allow a reasonable amount of discussion on a motion to table. The motion was carried unanimously.

John Heber moved, seconded by Cyrus E. Greene, that Proposal III, providing for an addition to By-Law 21, which would limit the number of basketball games played on a night or day preceding a school day, be adopted. R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by Millard Tolliver, that the motion be tabled. The motion was carried.

Harry Lindenberg moved, seconded by 0. J. Allen, that Proposal IV, providing for a new By-Law relative to the distribution of profits from any county, conference, or invitational tournament, be adopted. The motion was carried unanimously.

John Heber moved, seconded by Eugene Tallent, that Proposal V, providing for a change in By-Law 28, defining the football and basketball seasons, be adopted. The motion carried.

J. B. Cunningham moved, seconded by Jack Carson, that Proposal VI, providing an addition to Article IV of the K. H. S. A. A. Constitution, giving authority to the Board of Control to set the fees for officials in regional basketball tournaments, be adopted. The motion was carried.

Cyrus E. Greene moved, seconded by Eugene Tallent, that Proposal VII, providing

for a new By-Law governing awards made to players representing member schools, be adopted. The motion was carried.

Carl McCray moved, seconded by O. J. Allen, that Proposal IX, providing for the appointment of regional basketball tournament officials by the Commissioner, be tabled. The motion was carried.

W. W. Chumbler moved, seconded by Carl McCray, that Proposal X, providing that a new By-Law be added, prohibiting basketball games between member schools on school nights, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Jack Carson moved, seconded by W. A. Threlkeld, that Proposal XI, providing for a new tournament plan, be tabled. The motion was carried.

President Ginger ruled that Proposal XII was illegal, since it did not pertain to a change in the K. H. S. A. A. Constitution, By-Laws, or Tournament Rules. President Ginger further stated that the Board of Control already had the authority mentioned in the proposal.

John Robinson (Lone Oak)moved, seconded by Carl McCray, that Proposal XIII, providing that the words "and Runners-up" be deleted from the second sentence of Section IV-B of Tournament Regulations, be tabled. The motion was carried.

R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by O. J. Allen, that Proposal XIV, providing that the words "and the runners-up" be deleted from Section VII-B of the Tournament Regulations, be tabled. The motion was carried.

John Robinson (Murray)moved, seconded by Ralph Dorsey, that Proposal XV, providing that the word "twelve" be substituted for "ten" in Tournament Rule XI, be tabled. The motion was carried.

- K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Cyrus E. Greene, that Proposal XVI, providing that Tournament Rule VI-A-3 be amended to include payment of membership fee for the principal of each competing school into the Kentucky Association of Secondary School Principals, be adopted. John Robinson (Lone Oak) moved, seconded by W. W. Chumbler, that the motion be tabled. The motion was carried.
- R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by Jack Carson, that Proposal XVII, providing that age requirements for players be abolished, be tabled. The motion was carried.
- H. L. Perkins moved, seconded by Arthur Seesholtz, that Proposal XVIII, providing that all K. H. S. A. A. basketball games be played with the same kind of backboards with the Board of Control determining the kind to be used, be tabled. The motion was carried.
- R. A. Demunbrun moved, seconded by O. J. Allen, that Proposal XIX, providing that there shall be eight basketball regions instead of sixteen and that only the winners in the district tournaments advance to the regional tournaments, be tabled. The motion was carried.

Henry A. Stovall moved, seconded by Carl McCray, that Proposal XX, providing that a clause be added to By-Law 30 which reads "or a full-time employee of a mission school," be adopted. John Robinson (Murray) moved, seconded by Harry Lindenberg, that the motion be tabled. The motion was carried.

Paul Coop moved, seconded by Denzil Halbert, that the delegate assembly go on record as requesting the Board of Control to pay for the coaches dinner tickets at the annual meeting. Harry Lindenberg moved, seconded by J. H. Jones, that the motion be tabled. The motion was lost. Cyrus E. Greene moved, seconded by Delmas Gish, that the motion be

adopted. The motion was carried.

K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Cyrus E. Greene, that the delegate assembly go on record as requesting the Board of Control to pay for the principals dinner tickets at the annual meeting. The motion was lost.

James Lynch moved, seconded by Carl McCray, that a proposal be considered to provide for an amendment to Tournament Rule VI-B-2 to change the incidental expense allowance of the state tournament teams from two hundred dollars to five hundred dollars. The motion was carried. Denzil Halbert moved, seconded by Eugene Tallent, that the proposal providing for the increase of the incidental expenses of the tournament teams from two hundred dollars to five hundred dollars be adopted. The motion was lost.

Russell Williamson moved, seconded by C. V. Watson, that a proposal be considered to provide for an amendment to Tournament Rule VI-B-2 to change the incidental expense allowance of the state tournament teams from two hundred dollars to three hundred dollars. The motion was carried. Russell Williamson then moved, seconded by C. V. Watson, that the incidental expense allowance of the state tournament teams be changed from two hundred dollars to three hundred dollars. The motion was carried.

- G. F. Asher moved, seconded by Brother Guy, that a proposal providing that the Board of Control be given authority to set officials! fees in football and basketball games be considered. The motion was lost.
- G. F. Asher moved, seconded by Carl McCray, that the following proposal be considered: "All first team games that are played prior to a day preceding a school day shall start not later than 7:00 o'clock by the time zone in which the host school is located." The motion was lost.

Tom Gabbard moved, seconded by W. B. Jones, that the following proposal be considered: "Any basketball official receiving five poor ratings during one year from different member schools shall be placed on probation. At any time in the future when this official receives the same ratings he shall not be registered by the K. H. S. A. A." The motion was lost.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The dinner meeting of the Association was held at the Mirror Room of the Kentucky Hotel at 6:00 P.M., with approximately 147 delegates, guests and school officials present. Special vocal numbers were given by the double quartet of the duPont Manual High School. President Ginger introduced Charlie Vettiner who presented Mr. Manual High School. President of the Downtown Lions Club. Mr. Wells introduced a high school student, Randall Donahue of Loretto, and presented him with the Game Guy Award. Mr. H. V. Porter, Executive Secretary of the National Federation of High School Athletic Associations, gave the address of the evening, which was enjoyed by all present. During his talk Mr. Porter quoted several of his own poems on athletics, for which he has become famous through the years. He related numerous stories of human interest. The program was concluded with the showing of the film, The 1952 State Basketball Finals, Cuba vs. Manual.

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