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Board of Control Meeting - July 27, 1956

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at DuPont Lodge, Cumberland Falls State Park, on Friday morning, July 27, 1956.

The meeting was called to order by President Williamson at 9:30, with all Board members, Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford, and Assistant Commissioner J. B. Mansfield present. Attending a Board meeting for his first time was Director Cecil A. Thornton of Section 7. Retiring Director Roy G. Eversole was also present.

W. B. Jones moved, seconded by W. H. Crowds, that the reading of the minutes of the June meeting be waived, since the members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion was carried un-animously.

President Williamson stated that the next order of business would be the election of President and Vice-President of the Board of Control. W. B. Jones nominated Russell Williamson for the Board presidency, the nomination being seconded by Louis Litchfield. K. G. Gillaspie moved that the nominations cease, and the motion was seconded by Louis Litchfield. The Secretary put the question, which carried unanimously. Mr. Williamson was therefore declared elected.

W. H. Crowds nominated Louis Litchfield for the office of Board Vice-President. Jack Dawson moved that the nominations cease, and the motion was seconded by Robert Forsythe. The motion carried unanimously, and Mr. Litchfield was declared elected.

Robert Forsythe moved, seconded by Jack Dawson, that the 1957 State High School Basketball Tournament be played in the Coliseum of the

State Fair Grounds, Louisville. With a secret ballot being taken, the vote tied 4-4. It was decided to attempt to break the deadlock on the tournament balloting later in the meeting.

Speaking for the Board, Messrs. Litchfield and Jones expressed appreciation for the fine services rendered the K.H.S.A.A. by retiring Director Roy G. Eversole over a period of many years. Mr. Thornton was welcomed to the Board as a representative of Section 7.

The Commissioner made a report to the Board on the receipts and disbursements of the K.H.S.A.A. and the K.H.S.A.A. Protection Fund for the year 1955-56. He presented copies of the audit, recently prepared by Johnson-Fowler Co. of Louisville. Total funds on hand June 30, 1956, were reported as being \$60,095.81. Present value of the K.H.S.A.A. Building, lot, and equipment was estimated to be \$99,518.47. He stated that a complete breakdown on receipts and expenses would appear in a forthcoming issue of the Association magazine.

With respect to the adoption of a plan for selection of district and regional basketball tournament trophies, several members of the Board expressed the opinion that the general plan used for trophy selection in 1955-56 had been satisfactory. President Williamson asked the old Trophy Committee to continue serving in this capacity. This committee is composed of Chairman W. B. Jones, K. G. Gillaspie, Jack Dawson, and Theo. A. Sanford.

President Williamson gave a brief report on the recent National Federation meeting, which was held at Moran, Wyoming.

The Commissioner read a letter from Dr. Don Cash Seaton, track coach at the University of Kentucky, making several recommendations concerning the 1956 Cross Country Run. W. B. Jones moved, seconded by K. G. Gillaspie, that the Commissioner be authorized to set up as many regional meets in Cross Country as feasible for 1956, with other recommendations made by Dr. Seaton being followed as far as possible, and with the understanding that no expense allowance for regional winning teams be made this year. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner read a letter from Prin. John Trapp of the Eastern High School concerning the amount of reimbursement which the K.H.S.A.A. would make the school for the expenses of James Tarr, K.H.S.A.A. winner, to the National Tennis Tournament. W. B. Jones moved, seconded by Louis Litchfield, that, since the Eastern High School had won both the singles and doubles championships and since the other player involved had not taken his expense money to the National Tennis Tournament, the Eastern High School be allowed a grant of \$100.00. The motion was carried unanimously.

Robert Forsythe moved, seconded by W. H. Crowdus, that the next meeting of the Board of Control be held in Lexington on October 20. The motion was carried unanimously.

There was a general discussion of certain Association regulations which might need changing or recodifying. W. H. Crowdus moved, seconded by K. G. Gillaspie, that the President appoint two members of the Board to meet with the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner for the purpose of working on recommendations to the Board of Control concerning possible revisions of Association rules. The motion was carried unanimously.

President Williamson then presented to the Board Prin. Oran Hinkle of the Warfield High School, and Mr. Russell Goble, a teacher, who were appearing for the purpose of appealing the recent decision of the Commissioner with respect to the suspension of the Warfield High School until January 1, 1957. The Commissioner explained in detail the events leading up to the Warfield suspension, this being the result of the school allowing Jay Dingess to play in a basketball game after he became 20 years of age. Assistant Commissioner J. B. Mansfield, who had made the investigation, also explained what he knew in connection with the case. Mr. Hinkle presented a copy of the birth certificate which had led him to believe that Jay Dingess had been born on April 5, 1936 instead of February 3, 1936. He stated that the school was guilty of violating Sections 4 and 7a of K.H.S.A.A. By-Law 1, but he insisted that there was no attempted fraud on his part, and he asked that the Board consider restoring the Warfield High School to good standing in the Association as of December 1 or December 15. After Messrs. Hinkle and Goble had retired, there was a discussion of the case. Robert Forsythe moved, seconded by W. B. Jones, that the action of the Commissioner in the Warfield case be confirmed, and that the school be suspended until January 1, 1957.

After a general discussion of the problem involved in connection with determining the site of the 1957 State High School Basketball Tournament, W. H. Crowdus moved, seconded by Jack Dawson, that since the members of the Board of Control can not agree in the matter of selecting the State Basketball Tournament site for 1957 and since a tie continues to exist in the balloting, the site of the tournament be determined by lot. By secret ballot, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-3. President Williamson authorized the Commissioner to write the names Louisville and Lexington on slips of paper, place these in a container, and allow retiring Director Roy G. Eversole to make the draw for the 1957 State High School Basketball Tournament site. The name of Louisville was drawn by Mr. Eversole, and the Commissioner was authorized to sign contracts with Clyde Reeves, manager of the State Fair Grounds, as soon as practicable.

The Secretary stated that President Williamson had advised him that Director W. B. Jones would be one of the members of the Rules Study Committee, and that he (the Secretary) had insisted that President Williamson be the other committee member. Members of the Board confirmed this selection.

Louis Litchfield moved, seconded by Robert Forsythe, that all bills of the Association, beginning June 8, 1956, and ending July 26, 1956, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Board was then called to order in its capacity as Board of Directors of the K.H.S.A.A. Protection Fund. Cecil A. Thornton moved, seconded by Jack Dawson, that the officers and directors of the K.H.S.A.A. Protection Fund be the same as the officers and directors of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, namely, Russell Williamson, President; Louis Litchfield, Vice-President; Theo. A. Sanford, Secretary-Treasurer; and W. B. Jones, W.H. Crowdus, Jack Dawson, Robert Forsythe, K. G. Gillaspie, and Cecil A. Thornton, Directors. The motion was carried unanimously.

Secretary-Treasurer Sanford presented a list of claims which had been paid by the Protection Fund since June 8, 1956, the total amount of

these claims being \$1,132.15. W. B. Jones moved, seconded by K. G. Gillaspie, that the claims as presented by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Protection Fund be allowed, and that a list of these claims be made a part of the minutes of the meeting. <sup>The motion was carried.</sup> The claims are as follows:

Prin. John Wells, Oneida Institute, for Daniel Davidson, Jr.	10.00
Prin. K. M. Winston, Fulton H. S., for Joe Dallas	17.50
Prin. K. M. Winston, Fulton H. S., for David Holland	26.00
Prin. T. O. Thompson, Old Ky. Home H. S., for Tyler Downs	27.00
Prin. Lewis N. Johnson, Henderson Co. H. S., for Charles Litton	71.50
Sr. Julia Frances, St. Marys H.S., for Charles Kortz	5.00
Sr. Julia Frances, St. Marys H.S., for John Harris	12.00
Prin. John W. Trapp, Eastern H.S., for Ronnie Curry	10.00
Prin. Gene G. Wilson, Crofton H.S., for Larry Mitchell	40.00
Prin. C. L. Francies, Mt. Washington H.S., for Jack Lloyd	19.50
Darlene Littrell, June salary less tax	139.16
Treasurer, City of Lexington, Ky., for license fee for quarter ending 6-30-56	4.95
Kentucky State Treasurer, for Withholding tax-quarter ending 6-30-56	2.97
District Director of Internal Revenue, for Withholding tax and social security-quarter ending June 30, 1956	79.50
Prin. C.T. Sharpton, Henry Clay H.S., for Sam Sousley	20.00
Sr. Julia Frances, St. Marys H.S., for Jerry Vance	5.00
Prin. Kendall Boggs, Whitesburg H.S., for Steve Lee Morton	50.00
Prin. Kendall Boggs, Whitesburg H.S., for Donald R. Fields	11.00
Prin. Vincent Zachem, Madisonville H.S., for James Miner	6.00
Prin. Roy G. Teague, Harlan H.S., for Happy Cawood	40.00
Prin. Roy G. Teague, Harlan H.S., for Sam Brown	5.00
Prin. Roy G. Teague, Harlan H.S., for Albert Scalf	20.00
Otto Printing Co., for printing forms	295.00
Supt. Bennett R. Lewis, Springfield H.S., for Charles Hayden	35.00
Darlene Littrell, July salary less tax	138.32
Sr. Caroline Mary, St. Agatha Academy, for Richard Nunan	6.00
Prin. James Tichenor, Lloyd H.S., for Bill Brunner	35.75

There was a general discussion of current Protection Fund benefits, and benefits of certain commercial companies writing insurance on high school athletes. K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by W. H. Crowds, that the President appoint a committee of three to work with the Commissioner in the matter of studying various insurance plans in an effort to determine whether or not the Protection Fund can render better service to member schools of the Association. The motion was carried unanimously. President Williamson announced that the three directors appointed to the committee mentioned were W. H. Crowds, Cecil A. Thornton, and K. G. Gillaspie.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Russell Williamson  
President

Shirley A. Ford  
Secretary