

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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The fiftieth annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held at the Kentucky Hotel, Louisville, on Thursday afternoon, April 13, 1967.

President Sherman Gish called the meeting to order at 3:00, and asked the Commissioner to call the roll. Fifty-eight regularly elected delegates or alternates answered the roll call.

Clyde Lassiter moved, seconded by J. Waymon Hackett, that the minutes of the 1966 meeting of the Assembly, which had been sent previously to all member schools, be approved without being read. The motion was carried unanimously.

Commissioner Sanford then gave a report on the activities of the Association during the 1966-67 school year. His report follows:

"Three hundred seventy-four schools have joined the Association during the 1966-67 school year. This number compares with 382 K.H.S.A.A. members last year. School consolidation has been causing a decrease in the number of Association members each year for the past several years.

"Financial reports filed by the sixteen regional basketball tournament managers show total receipts of \$172,958.66. District receipts were \$246,762.45. These figures represent respective increases of thirty percent and ten percent over 1966 receipts. Receipts from ticket sales at the State Basketball Tournament, including state tax, will approximate \$192,000.00. Profit to the Association on the tournament will be close to \$150,000.00. This amount will almost completely underwrite the current K.H.S.A.A. budget of \$165,000.00. A complete record of all receipts and disbursements will appear in a subsequent issue of the Association magazine.

"Thirteen hundred seventy basketball officials, 575 football officials, and 170 baseball officials have registered with the Association in 1966-67. Ten football rules clinics were held under the direction of Edgar McNabb, and one hundred seventeen football officials took the National Federation examination for the higher ratings. Of this number, twenty-eight were added to the Certified list, and there were fifty-two officials on the Approved list. Charlie Vettiner, conducted fifteen basketball clinics, and held the School for Basketball Officials. Harry Stephenson conducted a school for baseball officials. Regional representatives in the three sports mentioned continue to render a fine service to the officials and schools in their respective areas. One hundred twenty-five officials took the National Federation basketball examination, with eleven being added to the Certified list and sixty-one receiving the Approved rating.

"It has not been necessary to suspend any member schools from the Association during the current school. Three schools were placed on probation, having been judged guilty of violating the Association's Sportsmanship Rule, By-Law 17.

"The number of schools maintaining football in 1966-67 was the same as that of a year ago, 173. The numbers of schools maintaining the other sports sponsored by the Association show no appreciable change from the preceding year with the

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exception of gymnastics, a new sport for the K.H.S.A.A. Twelve schools sent teams in boys' gymnastics to the State Gymnastics Meet which was held in Louisville on April 1. Nine schools were represented by girls' teams. The numbers of teams in other sports are: baseball, 300; basketball, 361, cross country, 105; boys' golf, 135; girls' golf, 26; rifle marksmanship, 12; boys' swimming, 32; girls' swimming, 26; boys' tennis, 75; girls' tennis, 41; boys' track, 204; girls' track, 95; wrestling, 21.

"Fifty-six member schools of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association have made contributions to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. Of this number, forty-one have made contributions of \$100.00 each, or have made pledges for this amount. The National Hall of Fame Committee has asked the K.H.S.A.A. to set a goal of \$100.00 for each of its member schools, and this goal has been accepted. The Board of Control has directed the Commissioner to solicit Association member schools in an effort to meet the goal mentioned. Anything that members of this Delegate Assembly can do in their respective districts to assist the administrators and coaches in meeting the goal will be appreciated.

"Your continued cooperation, assistance, and constructive criticism are solicited."

The Commissioner announced the election of Alvin Almond and Don Davis to membership on the Board of Control for a four-year period, beginning July 1, 1967, representing respectively Sections 2 and 5.

President Gish stated that consideration of the proposals was the next order of business.

Gilbert Richardson moved, seconded by James Baker, that Proposal I, providing for the required registration of baseball officials, be tabled. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 19-13. Joe Ohr moved, seconded by P.P. Estridge, that Proposal I be adopted. The motion carried by a vote of 39-17, which was more than the necessary two-thirds majority.

Letcher W. Norton moved, seconded by Clyde Lassiter, that Proposal II, providing that a team may enter only one county, conference, or invitational tournament during the regular basketball season, be tabled. The motion was carried unanimously.

Preston Parrott moved, seconded by O. J. Mitchell, that Proposal III, giving the Board of Control authority to set the fees for officials in district and regional basketball tournaments, be tabled. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 29-25.

Robert F. Dozier moved, seconded by Corky Cox, that Proposal III be adopted. The vote was 32-23 in favor of the motion but this was not the necessary two-thirds majority.

O. J. Mitchell moved, seconded by Roy D. Reynolds, that Proposal IV, providing for a change in the Age Rule, By-Law 4, to take effect as of August 1, 1968, be tabled. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 28-25. Frank Lyons moved, seconded by Don Shaw, that Proposal IV be adopted. The vote was 31-27 in favor of the motion, but this was not the necessary two-thirds majority.

P. P. Estridge moved, seconded by Phillip Cox, that Proposal V, providing that each athlete shall have a copy of his birth certificate on file in the

principal's office, be adopted. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 49-4.

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Phenis Potter moved, seconded by William E. Haines, that Proposal VI, providing that the Board of Control be increased in number to sixteen members, be tabled. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 29-27. Letcher W. Norton moved, seconded by Paul E. Patrick, that Proposal VI be adopted. The vote was 28-27 in favor of the motion, but this was not the necessary two-thirds majority.

Robert F. Dozier moved, seconded by O. J. Mitchell, that Proposal VII, another proposal providing that the Board of Control be increased in number to sixteen members, be tabled. The motion carried by a vote of 29-15.

There being no further business President Gish declared the meeting adjourned.

The dinner meeting of the Association was held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Brown Hotel at 6:00 P.M., with some 600 delegates and other school officials present.

The Commissioner presented the Cavana Swimming Award to Prin. Harold Miller of the Highlands High School which had won the 1966-67 trophy.

Recipient of the Game Guy Award was David Harmond of the Elizabethtown High School. The presentation of the award was made by K.H.S.A.A. Director Ralph C. Dorsey.

The address of the evening was given by Coach Ray Eliot, Assistant Director of Athletics at the University of Illinois. The subject of Mr. Eliot's talk was "Something to Think About." A standing ovation by those present at the meeting gave evidence of the inspiration of Mr. Eliot's message.