Minutes of the Annual Meeting

The fifty-fourth annual meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association was held at Convention Center, Louisville, on Thursday afternoon, April 15, 1971.

President Don Davis called the meeting to order at 3:00, and asked the Commissioner to call the roll. Fifty-six regularly elected delegates and alternates answered the roll call.

James A. Pursifull moved, seconded by Bowman Davenport, that the minutes of the 1970 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 1970-71 school year. The report was as follows:

"Three hundred forty-eight schools have joined the Association during the 1970-71 school year. This number compares with 358 members last year.

"Financial reports filed by the sixteen regional basketball tournament managers show total receipts of $245,765.85. District receipts were $311,185.39. These receipts were considerably more than the 1970 receipts.

"Attendance at the State Basketball Tournament for the eight sessions was 126,299. This was somewhat lower than the attendance for 1970. However, receipts held up well, total ticket sales for 1971 being $241,507.50. Profits to the Association will be less than those of last year. Tournament expenses were greater, one of the items being greater due to the lodging arrangements made for the team. Fifteen different lodging places for the teams were involved, thus increasing this cost. However, the new lodging plan found favor with the school representatives, and will possibly be continued in the future. The profits derived from the State Basketball Tournament almost completely underwrite the K.H.S.A.A. budget. A complete record of all receipts and disbursements will appear in a subsequent issue of the Association magazine.

"Fifteen hundred sixty-three basketball officials, 759 football officials, 531 baseball officials, and 36 wrestling officials have registered with the Association in 1970-71. Twelve football rules clinics were held under the direction of Assistant Commissioner Billy V. Wise, and 102 football officials took the National Federation examination for the higher ratings. Of this number twenty-two were added to the Certified list and there were sixty-six officials on the Approved list. Mr. Wise conducted seventeen basketball rules clinics. He conducted schools for area representatives in football, basketball and baseball. In the latter sport, the twenty-one area representatives have been holding clinics for umpires and coaches. One hundred fifty-nine basketball officials took the examination for the higher ratings, with fifty-eight being added to the Certified list and eighty-eight receiving the Approved rating. In 1969-70, seventy-three baseball officials took the examination for the higher ratings. Of this number twenty-five were added to the Certified list and thirty-nine were Approved.

"It has been necessary to suspend only one member school from the Association
for this year to date. Three schools have been placed on probation. Of the four schools, violation of K.H.S.A.A. By-Law 17, Practice of Sportsmanship, was involved in three of the cases.

The number of schools maintaining sports sponsored by the Association is approximately the same as that of last year with the exception of football, girls' golf, girls' track, and girls' gymnastics which show a slight increase. The 1970-71 figures are: boys' golf, 160; girls' golf, 48; boys' track, 199; girls' track, 138; boys' tennis, 84; girls' tennis, 57; boys' swimming, 33; girls' swimming, 30; boys' gymnastics, 20; girls' gymnastics, 31; wrestling, 43; baseball, 288; basketball, 333; football, 192; cross country, 112; rifle marksmanship, 9.

"The Commissioner, his staff, and the Board of Control appreciate the continued cooperation, assistance, and constructive criticism of the administrators and coaches who represent our member schools. Your continued help is solicited."

President Davis announced the election to the Board of Control of Prin. W. P. Wheeler (Daviess County H.S.) and William C. Doan (Harrison County H.S.), to represent respectively Sections 2 and 5. Mr. Wheeler was present at the meeting, and was recognized.

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

John H. Branson moved, seconded by W. W. Chumbler, that Proposal I, providing that the Board of Control be increased in number to ten members, be tabled. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 23-26.

Brother Kirby Boone moved, seconded by Byron H. Bell, that Proposal I be adopted. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 10-35.

Henry E. Resch moved, seconded by Paul E. Kerrick, that Proposal II, providing that each delegate and alternate to the Delegate Assembly must be a high school principal, be adopted. The motion carried by a vote of 44-6.

Henry E. Resch moved, seconded by Paul E. Kerrick, that Proposal III, providing that only the principal of an accredited K.H.S.A.A. member school shall be eligible for membership on the Board of Control, be adopted. The motion carried by a vote of 43-8.

Richard A. Williams moved, seconded by Clyde T. Lassiter, that Proposal IV, making certain changes in eligibility requirements for pupils of private and parochial schools, be tabled. The motion carried by a vote of 51-1.

Clyde T. Lassiter moved, seconded by James A. Pursifull, that Proposal V, setting up certain requirements for official timers and scorers be tabled. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 13-43.

Joe Ohr moved, seconded by Andrew J. Fultz, that Proposal V be adopted. By a vote of 31-15 the proposal was amended to provide that the qualifications for timers and scorers apply only to officials used in varsity athletic contests. The vote was then taken on the amended proposal.
The proposal failed to carry by a vote of 15-36.

W. W. Chumbler moved, seconded by Joe Ohr, that Proposal VI, providing for the reclassification of registered officials under certain conditions, be tabled. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 14-27.

Bobby Green moved, seconded by Harry K. Hardin, that Proposal VI be adopted. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 18-38.

John H. Branson moved, seconded by Paul E. Kerrick, that Proposal VII, providing that the visiting schools in football and basketball employ and pay the officials, be tabled. The motion was carried by a vote of 40-11.

Permission was given Secretary Joe Ohr of the Kentucky High School Coaches Association to present a proposal providing that schools participating in football be allowed to schedule twenty-six basketball games. Keith P. Eiken moved, seconded by Bowman Davenport, that the proposal be adopted. The vote in favor of the motion was 26-23, but this was not the two-thirds vote necessary to amend the by-laws, and the proposal was declared lost.

James O Gatewood moved, seconded by William D. Bruce, Jr., that permission be given for consideration of a proposal to substitute "boarding school" for "military school" in the second sentence of K.H.S.A.A. By-Law 36. The motion for consideration of the proposal was favorable by a vote of 45-1. Dr. William T. Simpson, President of K.M.I. was given permission to speak for the proposal. James O. Gatewood moved, seconded by Clyde T. Lassiter, that the proposal be adopted. The motion was carried by a vote of 50-0.

William D. Bruce, Jr. was given permission to present a proposal, suggested by Director J. C. Cantrell to the Board of Control during a meeting held on March 18, 1971, to the effect that the Board of Control be composed of nine members, one of whom shall be from Jefferson County. He moved, seconded by Keith P. Eiken, that the proposal be adopted. The motion failed to carry by a vote of 10-39.

John H. Branson moved, seconded by W. W. Chumbler, that the meeting be declared adjourned. The motion was carried.

The dinner meeting of the Association was held in the Ballroom of the Seelbach Hotel at 6:00 P.M., with some 400 school administrators and coaches present.

Recipient of the Game Guy Award was Rick Smith of the Ludlow High School. Presentation of the award was made by Board President Don Davis.

The address of the evening was given by Executive Secretary Bernie Saggau of the Iowa High School Athletic Association. Mr. Saggau spoke on the impact that good high school athletic programs may make on our times if they are well administered and directed by dedicated administrators and coaches. His address was well received.