Board of Control Meeting  December 15, 1972

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Kentucky High School Athletic Association building, Lexington, on Friday afternoon, December 15, 1972. The meeting was called to order by President Richard Vincent at 1:00 P.M., with Board members Zeb Blankenship, J. C. Cantrell, William C. Doan, Andrew J. Putlz, Arthur Hawkins, Louie Martin, W. P. Wheeler and Roy Winchester; Commissioner J. B. Mansfield and Assistant Commissioners Tom Mills, Louis Stout and Billy V. Wise were present. The invocation was given by J. C. Cantrell.

Mr. Vincent stated that since members of the Board had received minutes of the October Board meeting he would waive the reading of the minutes.

Assistant Commissioner Tom Mills reported that the 1972 football championship playoffs were successful. Total receipts of the final games were $42,969.00 with approximately $8,100.00 in expenses. The expenses did not include the Board Grant for incidental expenses.

There was a discussion concerning the amount of money for incidental expenses which should be allotted to each of the six finalists in the football playoffs. W. P. Wheeler moved, seconded by Bill Doan, that each finalist in the football playoffs be awarded a grant of $800.00 for incidental expenses. This is in accordance with Item IV, Section C, of the Rules and Regulations Governing Football Championship. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mansfield read a letter from the principal and athletic director of Bishop David High School requesting that Bishop David be changed from Class AAA, Region I, District 1, to Class AAA, Region II, District 1. Following a report by Board member J. C. Cantrell on the subject, Commissioner Mansfield read a letter from the Jefferson County Activities Conference in opposition to the change. Following a lengthy discussion,
the Board declined to take action on the request of Bishop David.

The Commissioner then presented a letter of request from Mr. J. B. Moore, Principal of Madison Central High School for re-assignment in football from Class AA, Region III, District 2, to Class AA, Region II, District 2. Following a detailed discussion Zeb Blankenship moved that the request be granted. W. P. Wheeler seconded the motion, The motion failed by a vote of 5 to 3.

Commissioner Mansfield presented the eligibility case of Dexter Ragan, a student who had transferred from Covington Holmes to Covington Catholic. After hearing the facts in the case, the Board declined to take action.

The case of the eligibility of Jeffrey Joe Wilson of Mayfield High School was reopened due to additional information being available which the Commissioner felt had a bearing on the case. President Vincent read the report of Assistant Commissioner Billy V. Wise, which was made following further investigation by Mr. Wise. After considerable discussion and based upon the report presented by Mr. Wise, J. C. Cantrell moved that Jeffrey Joe Wilson be declared immediately eligible to participate in sports at Mayfield High School. The motion was seconded by Jack Fultz. All members voted aye.

The next item of business was setting the fee for tournament officials. Commissioner Mansfield recommended the following: $25.00 for District officials; $30.00 for Regional officials and $35.00 for State Tournament officials. In addition to this, officials would be paid 10¢ per mile for travel expense and $10.00 should they be required to stay over night. W. P. Wheeler moved, seconded by William C. Doan, that the recommendation of the Commissioner be approved. The motion was carried unanimously.

Following a discussion on the fee schedule for radio and television coverage for the semi-finals and finals of the 1973 State Basketball Tournament, J. C. Cantrell made the motion that the Commissioner be authorized by the Board of Control to set a fee schedule for radio and television coverage and enter into contracts with interested stations for the semi-finals and finals of the 1973 Kentucky State High School Basketball Tournament and that the schedule shall be in line with current operating costs. Roy L. Winchester seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

A discussion on the problems involved in the distribution and sale of State Tournament tickets to the schools followed. It was recommended by the Board that each member school receive its two free sets of tickets calling for seats in the arena and that each superintendent receive one set free and be allowed to purchase an additional set. This will be the first priority and will fill all the seats below the box seats. The next priority would allow each school and each superintendent to buy two sets of tickets immediately behind the box seats. After this each school will be sold two sets of tickets for each sport maintained during 1971-72 and each superintendent may purchase four sets. Each school and each superintendent may purchase two side box seats as long as the supply lasts.

The Commissioner was authorized to continue with the present plan of housing basketball teams and cheerleaders at the State Basketball Tournament. They are lodged at various motels in the area.
At this point, Dr. Robert McLeod, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Medical Association, spoke briefly to the Board on ways the Medical Association could help the High School Athletic program improve medical care given the high school athlete. Following his report, he answered questions from members of the Board. Mr. Vincent thanked him for coming and assured him that this problem would be discussed at future meetings. Dr. McLeod agreed to present the Board with literature on this program for study. He thanked the Board for their time and excused himself from the meeting.

Upon a motion by Andrew Fultz and a second by Arthur Hawkins, it was the unanimous decision of the Board to set the State Gymnastics Meet at Moore High School on February 24, 1973.

Tom Mills reported the results of a recent questionnaire sent to the principals of member schools concerning girls' basketball. The vote was 155 in favor and 107 opposed. No action was taken by the Board at this time as several schools had not returned their cards.

The next meeting of the Board of Control was scheduled for Friday, January 26, 1973, at 9:30 A.M. in Louisville.

Roy L. Winchester moved, seconded by Jack Fultz, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning October 1, 1972, and ending November 30, 1972, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Richard Vincent
President

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