

Minutes of Board Meeting

April 15, 1976

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at Stouffer's Inn, Louisville, on Thursday morning, April 15, 1976. The meeting was called to order by President Louie Martin at 9:30 A.M. with Board members Arthur Hawkins, Denvil Barriger, Eldon Davison, Jack Fultz, Cecil Reid, George Sauer, Gene Sell, Frank Simpson and Ray Story; Acting Commissioner Tom Mills and Assistant Commissioners Billy V. Wise and Louis Stout present. Mr. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education and Darrell Wells representing the State School Boards Association. The invocation was given by Frank Simpson.

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Jack Fultz moved, seconded by Gene Sell, that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be waived since the members of the Board had received copies of these minutes in the mail. The motion carried unanimously.

Assistant Commissioner Billy V. Wise reported the attendance at the Boys' State Basketball Tournament at approximately 99,858 as compared to 83,862 in 1975. The gross receipts from the Boys' Tournament was approximately \$329,072.00.

The Girls' State Basketball Tournament had an attendance of approximately 20,109 and gross receipts of approximately \$41,978.00. A complete audit on both these tournaments will appear in the August issue of the "Athlete." Ray Story moved, seconded by Jack Fultz, that the State Tournament report be accepted as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board then discussed dates and locations for the 1977 State Basketball Tournaments. Mr. Mills presented proposals received from Mr. Don L. Johnston, Executive Director of the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center, Louisville, Kentucky and Mr. Thomas D. Minter, Executive Director of the Lexington Center. Following a discussion of these proposals, Gene Sell moved, seconded by Denvall Barriger, that the 1977 Boys' State Basketball Tournament be held at Louisville's Freedom Hall on March 16, 17, 18 and 19, 1977, with an option of renting the facilities at the same rate for the 1978 tournament. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mills then presented a letter from Athletic Director Don Combs, offering the facilities of Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, as the site for the 1977 Girls' State Basketball Tournament. Ray Story moved, seconded by Gene Sell that the dates of the 1977 Girls' State Basketball Tournament be set for March 23, 24, 25 and 26, and that it be held at the Alumni Coliseum on the Campus of Eastern Kentucky University. All members voted aye.

Mr. Mills read a letter from Mr. Claude Purvis, representing the principals of the 6th Region, requesting that the Board consider placing a fourth team in District 21. The Board requested that Ray Story contact the schools in the 6th Region and be prepared to make a recommendation at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Mills then read a letter received from Principal Charles P. Holsinger, Russell High School, requesting that Fairview High School be moved from the 63rd District to the 64th District in basketball. Following a discussion of this request, Denvall Barriger moved, seconded by George Sauer, that this request not be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mills then presented a letter received from Principal Charles Scott, Boyle County High School, representing the Kentucky Association of Secondary School Principals requesting that a referendum be conducted by the K.H.S. A.A. to ascertain the wishes of the member schools on the elimination of spring football practice. Jack Fultz moved, seconded by Gene Sell, that the Acting Commissioner submit a referendum concerning the elimination of spring football practice to the member schools. All members voted aye.

Mr. Mills stated that he had received several requests for the Board to conduct an opinion poll among the member schools on the classification

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of basketball. Following a discussion on the request, Jack Fultz moved, seconded by Cecil Reid, that Mr. Mills poll the member schools on this subject. The motion carried. President Martin then appointed Denvall Barriger, Cecil Reid and Ray Story as a Committee to assist Mr. Mills in conducting this poll.

A letter was presented from Principal George E. Valentine, Bullitt Central High School, requesting that the Board reinstate the eligibility of thirteen students who had participated in a non-sanctioned post-season basketball tournament. He stated that the boys were not aware that this was a violation and ceased to participate further after being informed of the rule. Ray Story moved that their eligibility be restored and that these athletes be placed on probation for the remainder of the 1975-76 school year. Denvall Barriger seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

A request was received from Prin. Henry E. Resch, Warren Central High School, that By-Law 5, Section 1, be waived in the case of Ricky Carter. Ricky is classified as a junior. Mr. Resch requests that he be classified a sophomore and have the semester rule waived in this instance, because he was not able to participate in any physical activities during the school year even though he did attend school six weeks in both semesters. Ray Story moved that since Ricky did attend school during this time that By-Law 5, Section 1, not be waived in this case. Frank Simpson seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

The next case presented concerned the eligibility status of Steve Zagorski, a student at Ballard High School, who is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule. After hearing the facts in the case, Gene Sell moved, seconded by George Sauer, that By-Law 6, not be waived in this case. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

The last eligibility case presented was that of Dean Doak, a student at Fairdale High School. Dean is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 5, Section 4. After hearing the facts in this case, Gene Sell moved, seconded by George Sauer that By-Law 5, Section 4, not be waived in this case. The motion passed with 5 votes in favor, 3 against and two abstentions.

Mr. Mills presented a proposed change regarding rules and regulations governing basketball tournaments received from Prin. Robert E. Stephens, McCreary County High School. Following a lengthy discussion, Cecil Reid moved, seconded by Gene Sell, that the proposal be tabled. All members voted aye.

Louie Martin and Arthur Hawkins were named delegate and alternate, respectively, to the forthcoming Annual Meeting of the National Federation.

Ray Story made the motion that the \$25,000.00 catastrophe injury insurance plan be renewed for the 1976-77 school year with Doug Ruedlinger, Inc., at an annual rate of \$10,500.00. George Sauer seconded the motion and all members voted aye.

The date for the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Control was scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 1976, at 9:00 A.M. in Lexington.

Jack Fultz moved, seconded by Ray Story that all bills of the Association

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beginning March 1, 1976, and ending March 31, 1976, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Louie Martin ⁴⁰⁸⁴

President

Tom Mills

Secretary Acting Comm.