Minutes of Board Meeting

October 8, 1977

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the K.H.S.A.A. Office, Lexington, Kentucky, on Saturday morning, October 8, 1977. The meeting was called to order by President Ray Story at 10:00. Present were Board members Denvil Barriger, Zeb Blankenship, Jack Burkich, Joseph McPherson, Norman Passmore, Glendon Ravenscraft, Barney Thweatt, George Sauer and Paul Trimble; Commissioner Tom Mills, Assistant Commissioners Dianne Caines, Louis Stout, and Billy Wise. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education and Darrell Wells represented the State School Boards Association. The invocation was given by George Sauer.

Norman Passmore moved, seconded by George Sauer, that the reading of the minutes of the July 29 meeting be approved as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mills reported the results of the recent election for Board membership held in Section 1. Prin. Barney Thweatt, Christian County High School was elected to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Arnold Oaken. He defeated Prin. Richard Vincent, Union County High School. Mr. Thweatt received 25 votes and Mr. Vincent received 11 votes.

The Board heard a request from Mrs. Helen Crum that the eligibility of her son, Randy Crum, be restored at Dilce Combs High School. Randy is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule. Following the presentation and after considering the facts, Joseph McPherson moved, seconded by Denvil Barriger, that By-Law 6, Section 1, be waived in this case. The motion carried by a vote of 7-3.

The Board heard an appeal from Coach Danny Johnson that By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule, be waived to permit Kevin Jackson to participate in athletics at Williamsburg High School. Following his presentation, George Sauer moved, seconded by Glen Ravenscraft, that the Transfer Rule not be waived in this case. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Mills presented a letter from Prin. Thomas H. Stephenson, Heath High School, requesting that By-Law 5, Section 1, be waived in the case of Pat A. Thomason. Pat was injured on the fourth play of Heath High School's first football game. Mr. Stephenson stated that Pat is not able to return to school during the present semester. Following the presentation and a lengthy discussion, Barney Thweatt moved, seconded by Joseph McPherson, that By-Law 5, Section 1, be waived in this case. The motion failed to pass by a vote of 2 in favor of the motion and 7 opposed.

Mr. Mills presented a letter received from Mrs. George Sadler, University Breckinridge School, requesting that By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule, be waived in the case of Pam Kohls. After reviewing the facts in the case George Sauer moved, seconded by Barney Thweatt, that the Transfer Rule not be waived in this case. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mills presented a request from Prin. Dale Callahan, Owsley County High School, that By-Law 5, Section 4, be waived in favor of Tony Smith. After reviewing the correspondence in the case, Denval Barriger moved, seconded by Barney Thweatt, that By-Law 5, Section 4, be waived in this case. The motion failed to pass by a vote of 3 in favor of the motion and 6 opposed.

Commissioner Mills presented the Board with a summation of the eligibility case involving Todd Shadowen of the Madisonville North-Hopkins High School. He explained that a permanent injunction was issued against the KHSAA by Judge Tom Spain in the Hopkins Circuit Court on September 22, 1977. Following a lengthy discussion, Joseph McPherson moved, seconded by Denval Barriger, that the Board not appeal this decision. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 2.

Representatives of the twenty-four Jefferson County Public schools and the four parochial high schools came before the Board to discuss the proper procedure for the distribution of proceeds from the Class AAAA playoff football games. Following the presentation, President Ray Story recommended that all playoff games, when possible be played as double headers and the gate receipts be divided four ways. If it becomes necessary to play the games at different sites, the admission price shall be the same at both sites and total receipts shall be divided among the four competing schools. The final game receipts are to be divided between the two competing schools. Zeb Blankenship moved, seconded by Jack Burkich, that the recommendation of President Story be accepted. The motion carried unanimously.

Football Committee Chairman George Sauer, presented the results of the recent opinion poll taken among the member schools concerning possible changes in the present playoff system. Following a discussion of his report, it was agreed that no changes would be made pending further study. The Commissioner was directed to inform all Class AAAA football playing schools that a meeting has been scheduled on October 26, 1977, to discuss the present playoff system. The meeting will be held at Stouffer's Inn, Louisville, at 2:00 P.M., and each Class AAAA school is requested to have a representative present at this important meeting.

Commissioner Mills requested the Board to set the site for the 1977 Football State Championship games in Class A, AA and AAA. He explained that three sites were available at the present time, including the
facilities at the University of Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky University and Henry Clay High School in Lexington. Paul Trimble made the motion, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that the 1977 Class A, AA and AAA playoff games be played at Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond. The motion passed by a vote of 8 to 1.

Paul Trimble moved, seconded by Denval Barriger, that the fee for baseball umpires for the 1978 season be set at $15.00 for a single game and $25.00 for a double header. The allowance for travel shall be the same as for basketball officials. The motion passed by a vote of 8–1.

Joseph McPherson moved, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that all bills for the period beginning July 1, 1977 and ending September 30, 1977, be allowed. All members voted aye.

The Board of Control set the next meeting date for December 17, 1977, at 10:00 A.M. at the K.H.S.A.A. Building, Lexington.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Secretary