Minutes of Board Meeting       January 20, 1979

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Executive Inn - East, Louisville, Kentucky, on Saturday, January 20, 1979. The meeting was called to order by President Jack Burkich at 10:00 A.M. with all Board members, Commissioner Tom Mills, Assistant Commissioners Louis Stout and Billy V. Wise present. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by Joseph McPherson.

Barney Thweatt moved, seconded by Denval Barriger, that the minutes of the December 23, 1979, meeting of the Board of Control be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

President Burkich introduced attorneys, Bruce P. Zalman and Todd Hollenbach to the Board. They had come before the Board to appeal the eligibility case of Christian Lanham who is ineligible to participate in athletics at Southern High School under By-Law 6, Section 1. Mr. and Mrs. Lanham and Christian also appeared before the Board. After a lengthy discussion Barney Thweatt made the motion that By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule, not be waived in this case. Zeb Blankenship seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Mills presented and discussed copies of proposals recommended by the Big 8 Conference. These proposals and any others received prior to March 1 will be considered by the 1979 Delegate Assembly.

Assistant Commissioner Wise gave a report on the progress of ticket sales for the boys' and girls' State Basketball Tournaments. He reported that advanced ticket sales have shown an increase over those of the same period last year.

After a lengthy discussion on the assignment of district and regional tournament officials, Pete Grigsby made the motion, seconded by Barney Thweatt, that tournament officials be assigned outside the district and region where they reside. The motion carried by a vote of 9-1.

Commissioner Mills read a letter from Ralph Gabbard of WKTY-TV stating that his television station could not accept the K.H.S.A.A. proposal to
televise the semi-finals and finals of the Boys' Basketball Tournament. With this information the Board decided that the semi-finals and finals of the Boys' State Basketball Tournament would not be televised for 1979.

Zeb Blankenship moved, seconded by Denval Barriger, that Cross Country be placed into three classes, as was done in track for the 1979-80 school year, based upon the 1979 fall enrollment figures received from the State Department of Education. The motion passed unanimously.

Joseph McPherson presented a report from the Jefferson County schools requesting that football championships be determined by using the won/lost record instead of the Dickinson System. The Dickinson System would only be used to break ties. After a discussion by the Board members President Burkich assigned the proposal to the Football Committee for study and recommendations to be considered at the March meeting of the Board of Control.

Barney Thweatt made a motion, seconded by Norman Passmore, that the following recommendations be adopted in scheduling regional games for boys and girls basketball tournaments: regional finals for boys and girls must be completed by Tuesday night following the second Saturday night in March; in the region where boys and girls regional tournaments are assigned to separate sites, the regional tournament managers shall schedule games in order that girls' and boys games are not played on the same dates at the separate sites; in regions where boys and girls regional tournaments are assigned to the same site, the regional tournament manager shall be responsible for scheduling games in the best interest of all participating schools. The motion passed unanimously.

Denval Barriger moved, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that all bills of the Association for the month of December be allowed. The motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Board of Control was scheduled for Friday, March 16, 1979, 9:00 A.M. at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Lexington, KY.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

[Signatures]

President

Secretary