

East Eligibility Committee Minutes

The East Eligibility Committee met at the K.H.S.A.A. Building on Wednesday, November 14, 1979, at 9:30 A.M., to hear an appeal in the eligibility case of Donald Martin Turney. Committee members present were Chairman Jack Burkich, Zeb Blankenship, Norman Passmore, Fairce Woods, and J. D. Minnehan.

Mr. Mills reported he had sent copies of the correspondence to all members of the Committee. Mr. Burkich introduced Mr. David Schneider, an attorney, Mr. Donald Turney and Jack Kaelin, athletic director at Covington Catholic High School.

Mr. Schneider spoke to the Committee about the reasons for Don Turney not being eligible in athletics at Covington Catholic High School. Don had been attending St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati, Ohio. He explained that Don was not able to return to St. Xavier High School for the 1979-80 school year because the school has an academic policy which states that a student must be dismissed if he has three failures in one year. Don had three failures for the 1978-79 school year, two semester failures in biology and one semester failure in religious education. He then transferred to Covington Catholic High School where he became ineligible under the provisions of K.H.S.A.A. By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule. Mr. Schneider explains to the Committee that he feels that By-Law 6 is not applicable in this case and does not cover the situation. He believes that Don should be eligible some place and their appeal is to get him eligible at Covington Catholic High School. Don did play varsity sports at St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati.

After Mr. Donald Turney spoke to the Committee, Mr. Schneider thanked the members for their consideration.

After a discussion by the Committee members, Norman Passmore moved, seconded by Zeb Blankenship, that K.H.S.A.A. By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule, not be waived in this case. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Zeb Blankenship
Chairman

Vice-Chairman

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