

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Executive Inn East, Louisville, Kentucky on Saturday, November 26, 1983. The meeting was called to order by President Charles Black at 9:00 a.m. with all Board members, Commissioner Tom Mills, Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise, Asst. Commissioners Brigid L. DeVries and Louis Stout present. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by Alvis Johnson.

Pat Crawford moved, seconded by Chester Turner, that the minutes of the meeting held on October 8, 1983, be approved as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Alvis Johnson made the motion that all bills of the Association for October 1983 be approved. John Brock seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wise gave a report on the attendance at the football playoffs, stating that attendance and gate receipts were slightly down from 1982-83.

Alvis Johnson, a representative of the Board on the Kentucky Medical Association Subcommittee on Athletes' Health, gave a brief summary of the first meeting that was held on November 17, 1983. Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise distributed copies of the minutes of the meeting to all Board members.

Mr. Wise recommended to the Board that basketball tournament officials be paid as follows: \$35.00, District Tournament; \$45.00, Regional Tournament; \$55.00, State Tournament; plus 15¢ per mile for all necessary mileage. Pat Crawford moved, seconded by Alvis Johnson that Mr. Wise's recommendation be accepted. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mills reported to the Board that each year we send \$500.00 to each team participating in the Girls' and Boys' State Basketball Tournaments for miscellaneous expenses. He informed the Board that it was usually necessary to transfer funds from the Boys' Account to the Girls' Account to cover this expenditure. The Board approved this transfer of funds.

After some discussion regarding the assignment of officials for the district and regional basketball tournaments, Mr. Black authorized Mr. Wise to check with the Local Policy Boards and make a recommendation at the January meeting of the Board of Control.

Eldon Davidson, Chairman of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, reported that several Proposals to be presented to the Delegate Assembly had been brought to his attention. These Proposals will be presented in their entirety to the Board of Control at their January meeting.

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Mr. Mills discussed with members of the Board information contained in a letter received from Superintendent of Public Instruction Raymond Barber relative to K.H.S.A.A. Article III, Membership, as it applies to the 9th grade. Mr. Barber stated that it is the position of the Department of Education that the K.H.S.A.A. not only has the authority, but also a mandate, from the State Board of Education to regulate all interscholastic athletics at the ninth grade level, regardless of whether a particular ninth grade class is included with a middle school or with grades 10-12 in a high school. Mr. Barber explained further that proper administration of the authority delegated to the K.H.S.A.A. would require it to regulate competition by and eligibility for athletic teams competing in grades 9-12 regardless of the fact that the ninth grade may be a part of a middle school organization in a particular district. Following a discussion, Commissioner Mills was instructed by the Board of Control to take the necessary steps to enforce the mandate as set forth in Mr. Barber's letter and to notify the member schools accordingly.

Commissioner Mills presented a letter received from Lafayette High School suggesting a re-alignment of basketball districts to eliminate three team districts. It was suggested that this request be given to the Basketball Committee and have them make a recommendation at the January meeting.

Commissioner Mills then read a letter received from Mr. John Radjunas regarding a Charity Football All-Star Game to be sponsored by the Kentucky and Tennessee Coaches Associations in June 1984. Due to the fact that the Board of Control does not sanction all-star or post-season games, John Brock moved that the Board go on record as supporting the Kentucky High School Coaches Association All-Star Game. Alvis Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mills submitted to the Board for consideration the bid received from Sports Productions Incorporated to televise the 1984 Boys State Basketball Tournament, with an option to televise the 1984 Class AAAA football championship game, and the 1985 Boys and Girls State Basketball Tournaments. Following a discussion on the contents of the bid, Pat Crawford moved, seconded by Chester Turner that the bid be accepted and that the Commissioner be empowered to negotiate the alternative included therein. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mills presented to the Board notarized statements received from two Wayne County High School students concerning the transfer of James Fletcher. After a lengthy discussion of the eligibility ruling and an investigation of this case by Executive Assistant Billy Wise who found no evidence of undue influence, John Brock moved that the decision of the Commissioner stand in this case. The Commissioner was instructed to advise Principal George Horton, Wayne County High School, that if he was in disagreement with his decision, he could appeal it under the Due Process Procedure as outlined in the 1983-84 edition of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Bob Rogers seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of seven in favor and two abstentions.

Bob Rogers moved that the next meeting of the Board of Control be held in Louisville on January 19, 1984 for the purpose of hearing appeals and on January 20, 1984 for the regular meeting to coincide with the Louisville Invitational Tournament. Appeals hearings would begin at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, and the regular business meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Friday. John Brock seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The Executive Committee will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, prior to the appeals hearings.

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Asst. Commissioner Louis Stout reported that it was the recommendation of the All-Sports Committee that the State Baseball Tournament be held at Johnson Central High School in 1984. Ray Story moved that the recommendation of the All-Sports Committee be accepted. Whaylon Coleman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Asst. Commissioner Brigid DeVries reported to the Board that as directed, a questionnaire had been mailed to each member school sponsoring a track program to determine if they prefer present track format (sections) or if they prefer to return to the previous plan (the winner and runner-up at the regional level advanced to the state, making a two day meet). She reported that she had received 122 replies thus far. The results of the survey will be reported to the Board during the January meeting.

Alvis Johnson, Chairman of the All-Sports Committee, announced that their next meeting would be on December 16 at 10:00 a.m. at the K.H.S.A.A. Office Building.

Ray Story, Chairman of the Basketball Committee, announced that their next meeting would be held on the same date at 2:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Pat Crawford moved, seconded by John Brock, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

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