Minutes of the Board Meeting March 16, 1984

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Hyatt Regency, Lexington, on Friday, March 16, 1984. The meeting was called to order by President Charles Black at 9:00 A.M. with all the Board members, Commissioner Tom Mills, Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise, Assistant Commissioners Brigid DeVries and Louis Stout present. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. Mr. Manning gave the invocation.

Pat Crawford moved, seconded by Chester Turner, that the minutes of the January 20, 1984, meeting of the Board be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills introduced Mr. Doug Ruedlinger, Ruedlinger Companies, who appeared before the Board with an update of the Lifetime Catastrophic Insurance Plan which the Board has provided for student athletes. Following a lengthy discussion regarding the Board’s plan to continue to provide this insurance coverage for member schools, but reducing the deductible from $10,000.00 to $3,500.00, the Board voted unanimously to delay making a definite decision until a later time in order that the Commissioner could obtain further information.

Pat Crawford moved, seconded by Whaylon Coleman, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning January 1, 1984, and ending February 29, 1984, be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills announced the results of the recent election for new Board of Control members. Representing Section 7, Charles Wilson received 23 votes, James Potts 14. In Section 8, Frank Welch received 19 votes, Pete Grigsby, Jr. 12. In Sections 1-4, Grant Talbott received 53 votes, George Carson 43 votes and Charles Henry received 35 votes. Representing Sections 5-8, Anthony Olinger received 90 votes, Jeff Perkins received 34 votes.

Mr. Wise gave a brief report on the progress of the Boys' State Basketball Tournament stating that ticket sales to date were approximately $510,000.00. Pre-tournament sales for the Girls' State Basketball Tournament were approximately $5,000.00. He stated that he would provide a more detailed report on both boys' and girls' tournaments during the April meeting of the Board. A financial audit of both tournaments will appear in the August issue of the "Athlete".

The next item on the agenda was a discussion of an appeal from Owen County High School to be realigned in baseball. Following a discussion by the Board, Principal Tom Taylor and Coach Dunavent, John Brock moved that Owen County High School be placed in District 34 and Eminence High School be placed in District 37. Alvis Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills discussed a request he had received from Principal Larry Kelsch, Deming High School, regarding the selection of district tournament sites. David Webb made the motion that the request be turned over to the Basketball Committee for study. Chester Turner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills announced that he had received an excellent response to his letter to representatives of state colleges, universities and athletic conferences regarding the scheduling of basketball games on Tuesday and Friday nights.
Following a discussion of the proposals to be submitted to the Delegate Assembly, Ray Story moved, seconded by John Brock, that the following proposal for change to By-Law 8, Contestant on Other Team, be submitted: "Any student who participates in any athletic contest other than as a representative of his/her school during the season of the sport involved, without the expressed written permission of the Principal, becomes ineligible to represent a member school in that sport for the remainder of that season." Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mills announced that the Annual Summer Meeting of the National Federation will be in Washington, D.C. from July 2-7, 1984.

Commissioner Mills presented the requested information on the eligibility case of Steve Sweeden which was tabled from the Appeals Hearing on March 15, 1984. Bob Rogers moved, seconded by John Brock, that By-Law 6, Transfer Rule, be waived in this case. The motion carried by a vote of 8 in favor and Whaylon Coleman abstaining.

Following a discussion of the need for one official basketball to be used for district, regional and state basketball tournament play, Pat Crawford moved that the Basketball Committee select an official tournament basketball and that all member schools be notified of their decision prior to the 1984-85 season. Eldon Davidson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 8 in favor and one abstention.

Following a recess, the Board reconvened to consider the Liability/Unlimited Lifetime Catastrophic Medical Insurance Plan offered by Doug Ruedlinger, Inc.

The medical benefits of this plan are much broader and more extensive than any existing catastrophe program. It provides a catastrophically injured student (one whose medical expenses exceed $3,500.00) with lifetime medical benefits as well as unlimited payments for rehabilitation, occupational therapy, etc. Alternative to providing lifetime care for the student and meeting family adjustment expenses, is the $5,000,000.00 excess liability coverage for the school, the district, coaches, trainers, athletic directors and administrators against suit by a catastrophically injured student hurt while practicing for or participating in events under the jurisdiction of the State Association.

This plan has a $3,500.00 deductible clause and is provided at a cost of $1.50 per individual student athlete as listed on the Annual Participation List of each member school.

Following a lengthy discussion, Ray Story moved, seconded by Alvis Johnson that the Kentucky High School Athletic Association accept the Liability/Lifetime Medical Insurance Plan for the 1984-85 school year and pay the $1.50 annual premium based on each individual athlete as shown on the Annual Participation List filed with the Association by member schools at the close of the 1983-84 school year.

President Black announced that the next meeting of the Board of Control would be on April 19, 1984, at 3:00 P.M. at the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Office in Lexington.

There being no further business, Bob Rogers moved that the meeting adjourn. Alvis Johnson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

[Signatures]

President

Secretary