Minutes of Board Meeting

October 6, 1984

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Office Building, Lexington, Kentucky, on Saturday morning, October 6, 1984. The meeting was called to order by President Eldon Davidson at 9:00 A.M. with all Board Members, Commissioner Tom Mills, Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise, Assistant Commissioners Brigid L. DeVries and Louis Stout present. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by Conley Manning.

Chester Turner moved, seconded by Pat Crawford, that the minutes of the July 26, 1984, meeting of the Board be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Ray Story moved, seconded by Chester Turner, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning July 1, 1984, and ending September 30, 1984, be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills recommended that Julian Tackett be employed as Sports Information Director, retroactive to August 27, 1984. Pat Crawford made a motion, seconded by Grant Talbott, that the Commissioner's recommendation be approved. The motion carried unanimously. A copy of Mr. Tackett's contract is on file at the K.H.S.A.A. office. Commissioner Mills introduced Mr. Tackett to the Board who spoke briefly regarding his position and requested the cooperation of all schools as it relates to communications.

David Webb introduced the following guests: Principal Joe Watkins, Warren East High School; Superintendent Charles Campbell, Simpson County Schools; Athletic Director Frank Cardwell, Franklin-Simpson High School.

Commissioner Mills informed the members of the Board that a proposal is presently before the State Board of Education to change By-Law 29, Requirements for Coaches, to permit anyone holding a teaching certificate to be employed as a teacher in that system. Following a lengthy discussion, David Webb presented the following resolution. Be it resolved that the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Board of Control fully supports the present regulation and requests that the State Board of Education reject the proposed change to By-Law 29, Requirement for Coaches. The motion was seconded by Bob Rogers and it passed unanimously.

Pat Crawford moved, seconded by David Webb, that the Board authorize the purchase of a VTR system for the use of the Association. The motion passed unanimously.

Following a discussion of the need for Board room furniture, Chester Turner made the motion that the Board purchase a new seating arrangement, including a free-standing podium for the Board room. Grant Talbott seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills presented requests from several baseball coaches to extend the baseball season by two weeks. Following a discussion on this request, Bob Rogers moved, seconded by Ray Story that the request be referred to the All-Sports Committee for further study and recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Following a discussion on possible change in the 1984-85 K.H.S.A.A. Calendar of Events, Ray Story moved, seconded by Tony Olinger that the 1984-85 calendar for State Tournaments as adopted by the Board of Control and approved by the State Board of Education not be changed. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills informed the Board that the State Board of Education had requested a joint evening meeting to be held in Murray on November 27 or in Frankfort on January 3. Chester Turner moved that the Board meet with the State Board of Education on January 3 in Frankfort for an evening meeting. The motion was seconded by Frank Welch and carried unanimously.

Following Louis Stout's recommendations regarding the State Baseball and Softball Tournaments for 1984-85, Ray Story moved that the State Baseball Tournament be held at Elizabethtown High
School on May 31. Frank Welch seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Bob Rogers asked that the Board consider the Henderson County Sports Complex as a future site for the State Baseball Tournament. Mr. Rogers then moved that the 1985 State Softball Tournament be held in Louisville or Northern Kentucky providing adequate facilities are available. Chester Turner seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Assistant Commissioner Brigid L. DeVries announced that the 1984-85 State Swim Meet would be held at Eastern Kentucky University. She also announced that the Crescent Hill Facility in Louisville is being considered for 1985-86.

Commissioner Mills introduced special guest, Alice McDonald, Superintendent of Public Instruction, who spoke at length on the effect the recent decisions of the State Board of Education will have upon the extra curricular activities of our member schools. She explained that this is not a new regulation, but it is simply a further clarification of a regulation that unfortunately a few school districts have chosen to ignore. Following Superintendent McDonald's presentation, she answered several questions from members of the Board and other in attendance. Mr. Mills then thanked her for appearing before the Board and assured her that the Board of Control fully supports the concept of the six-hour school day and will cooperate with the State Board of Education in their efforts to enforce the regulation.

Commissioner Mills informed the members of the Board of Control that the State Board of Education had concurred with the recommendation of the K.M.A. and the K.H.S.A.A. requiring that (a) head coaches be trained in first aid and CPR and attend the K.M.A. sanctioned Sports Medicine Symposium; and (b) all registered officials be trained in CPR. He explained that the 1985 Symposium is scheduled on April 29-30. Following a lengthy discussion, Ray Story moved that the Board support the required attendance of coaches providing it is not scheduled on a regular school day. Bob Rogers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise recommended that registered officials in basketball and football be given a $5.00 increase in fees, effective with the 1985-86 school year. Pat Crawford moved to accept the recommendation of Mr. Wise and Grant Talbott seconded the motion. The motion failed. The recommendation was referred to the All-Sports Committee for further study and recommendation.

Commissioner Mills recommended that the Board contribute $9,000.00 to be paid over a period of three years to support the National High School Hall of Fame sponsored by the National Federation of State High School Associations. Frank Welch moved, seconded by Tony Olinger to support the Commissioner's recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the type of basketball to be used at the State Basketball Tournament. Bob Rogers moved that regardless of the type ball adopted, it be used prior to the State Tournament so that the ball would not be slick. Grant Talbott seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

David Webb then moved, seconded by Pat Crawford that the RRS Spalding Wide Seam Ball be the 1985 State Basketball Tournament ball. The motion failed due to a 5-5 tie.

Commissioner Mills distributed copies of the 1983-84 Audit Report as prepared by Miller, Mayer, Sullivan & Stevens.

The next scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on December 22 at 9:00 A.M. at the K.H.S.A.A. Office Building, Lexington. If there are any appeals, they will be heard on December 21, 1984, at the same location.

There being no further business, Chester Turner moved, seconded by Grant Talbott that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.