

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

APRIL 18, 1991

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the K.H.S.A.A. Office Building in Lexington, Kentucky, on Thursday, April 18, 1991. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President David Points. All Board Members were present along with Commissioner Tom Mills, Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise, Assistant Commissioners Brigid DeVries and Louis Stout and Sports Information Director Julian Tackett. Sectional Directors Jerry Kimmel, George Mercker, John Radjunas and Jack Wise were also in attendance. Mr. Williams gave the invocation.

President Points requested that the Agenda be changed to allow Gary Bale, Hearing Officer for the State Board of Education to speak to the Board relative to the State Board's Proposed Amendment on Appeals Hearings. Following questions and comments by Board members, Mr. Points thanked Mr. Bale for coming to the meeting and for the State Board's interest and concern.

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The following actions were taken on the following appeals:

Billy Todd - Rockcastle County High School
Ray Story moved to uphold the ruling of the Commissioner and that Billy be denied another year of eligibility. Bob Rogers seconded. The motion passed by a vote of 11-1.

Chris Lyon - Paintsville High School
Sandy Allen moved to uphold the Commissioner's ruling and Chris be denied an extra year of eligibility. Liz Trabant seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 11-1.

Chris Hughes - Christian County High School
Roland Williams moved to overrule the Commissioner's ruling and allow Chris an additional semester of eligibility. Ray Story seconded. Due to a tie vote, the motion failed.

George "Tony" Slaughter - Lafayette High School
Bob Rogers made a motion to waive By-Law 5, Section 3, Proper Grade Level and allow Tony to participate in athletics in 1991-92. Ray Story seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 10-2. Bob Rogers then moved to table Tony's request to waive By-Law 4, Maximum Number of Semesters. Ray Story seconded. Motion passed by a vote of 7-4 with one abstention.

Peter Ronnebaum - Holy Cross High School
Huston DeHaven moved to uphold the Commissioner's ruling and deny Peter an additional year of eligibility. Bob Rogers seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Bob Rogers made a motion, seconded by Roland Williams, that the minutes of the March 21 meeting of the Board be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Eddie Saylor moved to approve all bills of the Association for the period beginning March 1 and ending March 31, 1991. The motion was seconded by Roland Williams and passed unanimously.

Executive Assistant Billy Wise gave the following report on the Boys and Girls Basketball Tournaments:

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Boys	Attendance:	142,315
	Ticket Sales:	\$884,935.38
	Expenses:	\$252,785.03 (approx.)
Girls	Attendance:	31,039
	Ticket Sales:	\$174,087.58
	Expenses:	\$ 86,453.04 (approx.)

Mr. Wise stated that the final audit would appear in the August or September issue of the "Athlete". Ray Story moved to accept the Boys and Girls Basketball Report. Eddie Saylor seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Sectional Directors were then welcomed to the meeting and permitted to make comments or accept questions about their reports which had been mailed to Board members.

Chairman Bob Rogers was called on to present the Football Committee report. The following items were presented for approval:

1) That the Commissioner notify Warren Central High School that the expense allowance for 53 persons, to include 45 players, 1 coach, 6 cheerleaders, and 1 cheerleading sponsor plus the additional grant provided to each participating team is the limit to which financial assistance can be provided to teams at this time. While the Committee appreciates their concern, there can be no increase as of now.

2) That a request by the Western Kentucky Conference to raise football officials' game fees to \$50 be tabled.

3) That the proposed revisions to the Tournament Rules governing the football championships be accepted. Copies to be distributed to all Board members and included in the 1991-92 Handbook.

4) That football schools be given an opportunity to participate in the Hall of Fame fund raising by allowing them to play an additional contest. The following provisions would be required--

a) That it be noted to the schools and all concerned that participation in the Hall of Fame fund raising is a VOLUNTARY activity, and is not in any way required as a condition for membership or for championship competition.

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b) That the contest be played during Federation week 7, (August 23, 1991) which would not count against other provisions of the Limitation of Seasons. This weekend would be designated as Hall of Fame Weekend.

c) That the schools sign a special Hall of Fame Activity Contract to allow for their participation.

d) That the local officials associations be contacted as to the donation of their services for this contest.

e) That, after expenses, the gate from the contest (or bowl game(s)) be divided equally among the participating schools and the Association. i.e., two participating teams would be one share for the home school, one for the visiting school, and one for the Hall of Fame; or four schools (bowl doubleheader) would divide the revenue into five shares to include the Hall of Fame.

f) In the absence of any other agreement, the standard method of payment of expenses as detailed for the first through fourth rounds of the state playoffs would govern the financial conditions.

g) That the game so played shall NOT count toward any regular season records, any limits on the number of games and/or scrimmages, and shall not be used in calculating a three-way tie breaker.

h) These provisions shall go into effect for the 1991 season.

i) That the distribution of profits for any Hall of Fame contest be made to the Association within thirty (30) days of the contest.

j) That this plan be evaluated immediately following the 1991 season for revision for future years.

Bob Rogers moved for approval of the Committee's report and Alvis Johnson seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 11-1.

Sandy Allen then presented the following All-Sports Committee report:

1. Track

Recommend that member schools be surveyed to determine interest in the following events:

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- a. Girls 3200 meter relay
- b. Girls triple jump
2. Officials Fees
 - a. Raise mileage figure from 15 cents to 20 cents
 - b. Eliminate 75 mile restriction on Baseball, Softball and Soccer. Mileage to be paid in full for all sports.
3. State Track Meet

The top four (4) finishers will advance to the Sectional Competition; however, a competitor who finishes 4th may elect to withdraw in that individual event and participate as a relay member in that event. The 5th place finisher has the option to move into the 4th spot. The Meet Manager must be notified within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the Meet.
4. Hall of Fame

That member schools participating in all sports other than basketball and football be given an opportunity to participate in the Hall of Fame fund raising by allowing them to play an additional contest. The following provisions would be required--

 - a. That it be noted to the schools and all concerned that participation in the Hall of Fame fund raising is a VOLUNTARY activity, and is not in any way required as a condition for membership or for championship competition.
 - b. That the contest be played during the regular season playing dates for the sports other than Football and Basketball, which have additional details for their participation. This game would not count against other provisions of the Limitation of Seasons. These contests would be designated as Hall of Fame Activities.
 - c. That the schools sign a special Hall of Fame Activity Contract to allow for their participation.
 - d. That the local officials associations be contacted as to the donation of their services for this contest should it be necessary.

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- e. That, after expenses, the gate from the contest (tournaments, panoramas, etc.) be divided equally among the participating schools and the Association, i.e., two participating teams would be one share for the home school, one for the visiting school, and one for the Hall of Fame; or four schools (bowl doubleheader) would divide the revenue into five shares to include the Hall of Fame.
- f. That the game so played shall NOT count toward any regular season records, or any limits on the number of games and/or scrimmages.
- g. These provisions shall go into effect for the 1991 season.
- h. That the distribution of profits for any Hall of Fame contest be made to the Association within thirty (30) days of the contest.
- i. That this plan be evaluated immediately following the 1991 seasons for possible revision for future years.

Bob Rogers moved to accept the report. Huston DeHaven seconded the motion which passed.

Bob Rogers moved to go into Executive Session. Huston DeHaven seconded the motion which passed. Following return to Open Session, Alvis Johnson was called on for the Executive Committee's Report. The committee recommended that the vacancy left by Commissioner Mills be filled from within the Association. Ray Story made a motion, seconded by Eddie Saylor, that the Executive Committee's Report be accepted. Motion carried. Bob Rogers then moved that Billy Wise be named Commissioner of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association effective July 1, 1991, and be given a four-year contract. All Board members seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Bob Rogers moved to adjourn until 9:00 a.m. Friday, April 20. Huston DeHaven seconded the motion which carried.

President Points reconvened the Board meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 20.

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Alvis Johnson made a motion that Tom Mills' contract as Building Consultant be approved. Ray Story seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

President Points then called on Bill Van Winkle, Principal of Owensboro High School, who requested to appear before the Board to discuss action taken at the March Board meeting regarding a change to the Limitation of Seasons.

Following his presentation and a lengthy discussion thereof, Sandy Allen made a motion that the Board obtain an opinion from the K.H.S.A.A. attorney to determine whether the Board acted in error. If the Board is not within the limits of By-Law 25, with regard to allowing schools to schedule Hall of Fame games, a referendum will be mailed to all member schools. Roland Williams seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Mills presented the next appeal by correspondence. Principal Jimmie A. Cornett, Hazard High School requested a waiver of By-Law 4, Section 1a, on behalf of Dennis Smith, Chris Cornett and Jason and Brandon Witt. Following his presentation, Sandy Allen made a motion that the Commissioner's ruling be upheld in the case of each of the students. Huston DeHaven seconded the motion. Following a lengthy discussion thereof, the motion and second were withdrawn. Jack Portwood then made a motion that the Board table this appeal. Roland Williams seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 11-1. Bob Rogers, seconded by Jack Portwood and approved unanimously moved that the Commissioner inform the Delegate Assembly members of the Board's intention to submit a referendum to the member schools for the purpose of revising By-Law 4 to read as follows:

By-Law 4. Enrollment

Sec. 1. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SEMESTERS

(a) No student who has been enrolled in grades 9-12 eight (8) semesters shall thereafter be eligible. Six weeks enrollment in a school shall constitute a semester in the interpretation of this rule, except that if any student participates in a varsity contest in any sport, a semester of enrollment shall be counted against him/her even though he/she may not have been enrolled for a period of six weeks.

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(b) Pupils in grades 1-8 may play on the high school team and the year so played shall not be counted on the four year limit. (R-I 12) No pupil enrolled in any grade below the ninth shall be eligible for more than one year in that grade. Students repeating a grade for any reason at any level below grade 9 are ineligible to participate in athletics in grades 1-8 during the second year in that grade. Penalty for violation of this regulation shall result in the loss of eligibility during the senior year (fourth year) of high school.

Sec. 2. RESPONSIBLE PARTIES

Any public elementary or secondary school or school employee or official who knowingly allows participation of an ineligible player hereunder, or who, through reasonable diligence, should have known of such ineligibility, shall be considered in noncompliance with state accreditation standards or guilty of willful neglect of duty or breach of contract. Such shall apply not only to coaches, but also to personnel supervising coaches; such as, but not limited to an athletic director, an assistant principal, a principal, an assistant superintendent, a superintendent, or a school board member.

Sec. 3. DEADLINE FOR ENROLLMENT (formerly section 4)

A student must have enrolled as a bona fide undergraduate student in the high school he/she represents no later than twenty school days after the beginning of the semester to be eligible during that semester. This requirement may be waived by the Commissioner in any case where it would work evident injustice. The twenty-day rule also applies to grade school pupils participating in athletics. (R-I 13)

Sec. 4. ENROLLMENT ELSEWHERE (formerly section 5)

No student who is enrolled or connected with any other school than the one he/she represents shall take part in any contest.

Commissioner Stout presented the results of the Cross Country survey regarding changing the distance of the girls' meet from 3,000 meters to 4,000 meters as follows:

A total of 121 schools returned the survey.

72 schools voted for the change

49 schools voted against the change

Due to the favorable vote, Mr. Stout recommended that the change be made effective with the 1991-92 school year.

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Following Mr. Stout's report, Bob Rogers moved to accept the results of the survey. Liz Trabandt seconded the motion which passed.

Alvis Johnson made a motion that the Board go into Executive Session. Marvin Moore seconded the motion which passed. Bob Rogers then moved for Open Session, seconded by Roland Williams. Alvis Johnson made a motion that Mr. Wise and his office take applications for the positions of Assistant Commissioner and Sports Information Director. Harry Jansing seconded the motion which passed. Alvis Johnson then made a motion that the Board grant Mr. Wise permission to reorganize the K.H.S.A.A. staff as he deems necessary. Liz Trabandt seconded the motion which passed.

Sandy Allen made a motion that the Board accept the resignation of Earl Cox effective May 31, 1991. Bob Rogers seconded the motion which passed.

Eddie Saylor made a motion that Alvis Johnson be elected President of the Board for the 1991-92 school year. Roland Williams seconded the motion which passed.

Ray Story then nominated Bob Rogers for Vice President. Alvis Johnson seconded the motion which passed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Roland Williams moved for adjournment. Jack Portwood seconded, motion passed.

David S. Poite
President

Tom Miles
Secretary

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