Minutes of the December Board Meeting

DECEMBER 4, 1992

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Executive Inn, Louisville, Ky. on Friday, Dec. 4, 1992. The meeting was called to order by President Jack Portwood at 8 a.m., with all Board members present. Also present were Commissioner Billy Wise, Exec. Asst. Louis Stout, Assistant Commissioners Brigid DeVries and Larry Boucher, Business Manager Julian Tackett, S.I.D. Brooks Downing, Board Attorney Danny Reeves and State Board of Education representative Gary Faulkner. The invocation was given by Larry Boucher.

Ray Story made a motion, seconded by Alvis Johnson, that the minutes of the Oct. 16-17, 1992 meeting of the Board be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Ozz Jackson moved to approve the minutes of the Nov. 16 meeting of the East Eligibility Committee. Alvis Johnson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Following a discussion of the Oct. 1 through Nov. 30 bills, Frank Welch made a motion to accept. Frank Cardwell seconded the motion which passed unanimously. A discussion was then held regarding the 1992-93 Working Budget through Nov. 30. No action was taken.

The first item on the Agenda was a presentation by Mr. George Unseld, Director of Academics/Activities/Athletics of Jefferson County Schools, who asked to speak to the Board regarding the 1992 District #12 Soccer Tournament. Following his presentation, and questions and comments by the Board, James Sexton made a motion that the Board of Control support the Commissioner as he acted in good faith in his decision based on the Tournament Rules. However, the Board of Control directed Commissioner Wise to write a letter of reprimand to Walden School. Grant Talbott seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 10-1 and one abstention (Ray Story). Alvis Johnson then made a motion, seconded by Ray Story, that the Board postpone Mr. Unseld's request to allow seeding in Soccer until January when the Board has had an opportunity to look at seeding in all sports. The motion passed 11-1.

Mr. Boucher showed the Board members personalized nylon bags and certificates which the Officials' Division is awarding to all state tournament officials.

President Portwood then called on Jerry Mayes, Jim Komara, and Jim Watkins, representatives of the KHSADA, to make a presentation of a draft of the Kentucky Coaches' Certification Program. Following a lengthy discussion of the proposal, Stan Steidel made a motion that the Board ask the State Training/Certification Program Committee to proceed with the program. The Committee was asked to seek reaction from the State Board of Education for flexible in-service credit, and to come back to the Board with their recommendations and input. Ozz Jackson seconded the motion which passed 11-1.

Commissioner Wise then discussed with the Board a proposal presented by TeleCable offering to create a scholarship fund through advertising revenues to be used at the discretion of the KHSAA. Grant Talbott made a motion that the Board allow the Commissioner to proceed with the details of the proposal. Frank Welch seconded the motion which passed 7-4.

The next items presented by Commissioner Wise were requests by Nelson County and Bardstown high schools to waive By-Law 30, Post Season and All-Star Games, due to the fact that athletes from both schools participated on a church team. Frank Cardwell made a motion, seconded by Grant Talbott, that the Board waive By-Law 30 for the athletes in question and that they be placed on probation for the remainder of the 1992-93 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

President Portwood then called on Frank Cardwell, Chairman of the All-Sports Committee for their report. Items discussed by the Committee were 1) golf realignment; 2) cross country and track realignments; 3) red card penalty for soccer; 4) training for soccer officials, and 5) soccer clinic attendance. Following Mr. Cardwell's report, he recommended no action be taken on items 1, 2 & 5 at the present time. Gene Brooks made a motion, seconded by Ozz Jackson, that item 4 be mandated — that the KHSAA provide training for soccer officials at their own expense and officials not attending the training session will not be considered to work postseason tournaments. This motion passed unanimously.

Frank Welch moved, seconded by Kathy Hopper, that item 3 be approved as recommended by the All-Sports Committee — if a soccer player receives a yellow card, he/she is out for game; one red card, out for one game; two red cards, out for three games; and three red cards, out for the season. The motion passed unanimously.

Stan Steidel, Chairman of the Basketball Committee was then called on for his committee's report. Claudia Hicks made a motion that the following items be accepted as recommended by the committee: 1) that the Board check with the local policy boards for input as to the assignment of district and regional officials; and 2) that the Basketball Committee initiate a study to establish fairness through the regions as it relates to the number of teams. Ozz Jackson seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 9-2.

Ray Story, Chairman of the Football Committee then gave his
committee's report. Among the items for discussion were 1) conduct a survey to change to a four-team playoff system; 2) play the championship games in a single day; 3) study change in the classification system; 4) request for Pulaski County and Pulaski County Southern to be placed in Class AAA, Reg. IV, Dist. 1 for the 1993 season; and 5) request for Grant County to be placed in Class AAA, Reg. III, Dist. 2 for the 1993 season; and 6) eliminate the 10% enrollment clause in item C of the Rules and Regulations Governing Football Championships. Ray Story moved to accept items 4 and 5 as presented. Grant Talbott seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Alvis Johnson, Chairman of the Constitution & By-Laws Committee, presented proposed changes for presentation and approval of the State Board for Elementary and Secondary. Proposals were made in By-Laws 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 23, 25, 27, 28, 31 and 33. Stan Steidel made a motion to approve the proposed changes in the above by-laws as presented by the Constitution & By-Laws Committee. Grant Talbott seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The Board also proposes the following addition to By-Law 4 as required to implement HB 750:
Beginning with the 1994-95 school year, no student enrolled in grade 8 or below shall be eligible to participate in varsity wrestling, soccer or football. (RJ - The provisions of this by-law shall not apply to junior varsity or freshman teams participating in these sports.) Stan Steidel moved to adopt the above by-law with the justification as written by legal counsel. Frank Cardwell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The following Basketball Tournament Report was given:
Boys ticket sales through this date: $31,576.
It was reported that the boys' ticket sales and the girls' ticket sales were ahead of last year.
Stan Steidel moved to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters. Alvis Johnson seconded the motion which passed. Following a closed session, Stan Steidel moved to return to Open Session, seconded by Gene Brooks. Motion passed. The Board took no action.

Following a discussion of the catastrophic insurance, Stan Steidel made a motion, seconded by Alvis Johnson, that the Board authorize legal counsel to write a letter to the insurance Commissioner for the State of Kentucky in regard to the coverage issue and advise him of potential non-payment of claims. The motion passed unanimously.

Alvis Johnson moved to recess until Saturday, December 5 at 9:00 a.m. Stan Steidel seconded the motion which failed 6-6. President Portwood then called for a short recess.

Following the recess, Commissioner Wise discussed with Board members proposals submitted by member schools which are to be considered by the 1993 Delegate Assembly. Topics included in the proposals are: a) Board members, except for minority Board members, shall be high school administrators; b) change in filing deadline for proposed changes to the Constitution and/or By-Laws; c) member schools to be divided into two divisions — public and private; and d) change in By-Law 6, Section 2, Foreign Exchange Students. These proposals will be submitted to the State Department and to legal counsel before placement on the Agenda to insure compliance with state laws and the Federal Court Decree.

Exec. Asst. Stout advised the Board that the staff is compiling data from other state associations regarding AIDS and will have this project completed in the near future.

Stan Steidel moved to delay a decision on an appeal from Owensboro High School until the January meeting, Ozz Jackson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the Board will be held in Louisville at the Executive Inn on Friday, Jan. 15 and Saturday, Jan. 16.

There being no further business, Alvis Johnson moved to adjourn. Ray Story seconded, which passed.