The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the Association Office in Lexington, Kentucky, on Friday, September 27, 1996. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Bob Rogers. All Board members, with the exception of Tom Bryant and Teresa Isaac, were present. Also present were Commissioner Louis Stout, Exec. Asst. Brigid DeVries, Assistant Commissioners Larry Boucher and Juliette Tackett, Sid Butch Cope, Ken Tippett, Anne Wesley Mays, Board Attorney Danny Reeves and State Dept. Representatives Randy Kimbrough and Ernie Taccone.

The Invocation was given by Darrell Trice. Commissioner Stout advised Board members of the condition of Tom Bryant who has undergone recent surgery.

Betsy Glover made a motion that the minutes of the July 18-20, 1996 meeting be approved. Kathy Johnston seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Betsy Glover made a motion that the minutes of the special meeting of July 31, 1996 be approved. Wendell Thomas seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Frank Cardwell moved that all bills of the Association for the period July 1 - August 31, 1996 be approved. Tasso Harris seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Frank Cardwell made a motion, seconded by Ken Cox, that the Hearing Officer's Report be accepted on Appeals #128-146 heard July 15 and August 20. Tasso Harris made a motion, seconded by Betsy Glover, to amend the motion to #128-145 to consider #146 separately. The motion to amend passed unanimously. The motion to accept Appeals #128-145 passed 13-1.

Case Number, Bylaw, Name, School, Ruling
#128, 6, Jonathan Carrier, Warren Central HS, Eligible
#129, 6, Elbert "Chip" Allen, Ballard HS, Eligible
#131, 6, Michael Keppner, Jr., Heath HS, Eligible
#132, 6, Josh Weber, Butler HS, Eligible
#133, 6, Elizabeth Hopkins, Notre Dame Academy, Eligible
#135, 6, Robert Chap Payne, Russell Co HS, Eligible
#139, 6, Ashley B. Minton, South Oldham HS, Eligible
#140, 6, Josh Godby, Pulaski Co HS, Eligible
#141, 6, Kirby Vanover, Pike Co Central HS, Eligible
#142, 6, Mark Cox, Pike Co Central HS, Eligible
#143, 6, Keith Fairhurst, Michael Fairhurst, Paducah Tilghman HS, Eligible
#144, 6, Carrie Ann Duke, Russell HS, Eligible
#145, 6, Anthony G. Noe, Covood HS, Eligible

Tasso Harris made a motion, seconded by Betsy Glover, that the Hearing Officer's Report be accepted on Appeal #146 heard August 20. The motion passed unanimously.

Case Number, Bylaw, Name, School, Ruling
#146, 6, Jennifer Jackson, Holy Cross (Louis.), Eligible

Tasso Harris made a motion, seconded by Kathy Johnston, that the Hearing Officer's Report be accepted on Appeal #130 heard July 15. The motion passed unanimously.

Case Number, Bylaw, Name, School, Ruling
#130, 3, Gerald Gibbs, Fleming Co. HS, Ineligible

Stan Steidler made a motion, seconded by Kathy Johnston, that staff further investigate the case above due to Gibbs' transfer to Mason County from Fleming County HS. Motion passed unanimously.

Frank Cardwell made a motion, seconded by Tasso Harris, that the Hearing Officer's Report be accepted on Appeals #134-136 heard August 20. The motion passed unanimously.

Case Number, Bylaw, Name, School, Ruling
#134, 6, Jon Hassman, Williamstown HS, Ineligible
#137, 6, Charles Wick, Bullitt East HS, Ineligible
#138, 3, Davon D. Ballard, Murray HS, Ineligible

Teresa Isaac arrived at the meeting. President Rogers then welcomed attendees Mike Sullivan and Lisa Vonhalle from Miller, Mayer, Sullivan & Stevens who were invited to come before the Board for the purpose of discussing the 1995-96 Audit. Ms. Vonhalle went over the Audit and the Management Correspondence and then asked for any questions or comments. She pointed out that the KHSAA was given a clean opinion and explained the new accounting standards which were used. There being no further comments, Mr. Rogers thanked them for coming.

Bill Beasley made a motion, seconded by Ms. Isaac to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation. The motion passed. Following Executive Session, during which no action was taken, Mr. Beasley made a motion to return to Open Session. Tasso Harris seconded the motion which passed.

Ken Cox made a motion, seconded by Frank Cardwell, that the Hearing Officer's Report be accepted on Appeal #58 heard October 15, 1995. The motion passed unanimously.

Case Number, Bylaw, Name, School Ruling
#58, 6, Heather Collins, Paintsville HS, Ineligible

Ms. Isaac left the meeting.

The President called for the Constitution & Bylaws Committee Report. 1a) Chairperson Cookie Hannon stated that it was the committee's recommendation that in response to their discussion of Level 2 coaches, staff be requested to discuss with the KDE liaison and subsequently seek an Attorney General's opinion to clarify "faculty member or member of the administrative staff as referred to in KRS 161.185. Mr. Beasley seconded Ms. Hannon's motion which passed 12-1; b) Requested that the Commissioner clarify Bylaw 39. Non-Player Representatives in the next issue of the Commissioner's Notes, and that the KHSAA Staff and Attorney obtain interpretation and bring clarification of Bylaw 39 to December meeting. Mr. Beasley seconded Ms. Hannon's motion which passed. c) Ms. Hannon then made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beasley that after study of four proposals to revise Bylaw 27, the Ad Hoc Committee recommends Proposal Two. Following a lengthy discussion and comments by Board members, the motion passed 8-6. d) Ms. Hannon made a motion, seconded by Tasso Harris, that Bylaw 6 Sec. 2. Foreign Students be revised to add that "Any student who has applied for and has been granted a waiver under section (a) or (b) shall not be eligible, under any circumstances, for more than one (1) school year while enrolled in grades 9-12 in Kentucky. Students receiving a waiver must sign a statement acknowledging that he or she will be eligible for only one school year and that no additional waivers will be granted.” The motion passed. e) The Committee considered the current Due Process Procedure but had no recommendation at the present time.

In the case of Jomo Dowell, Graves County HS, Roland Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beasley that since there had been no appeal, the Board could not address the issue. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy Johnson, Chairperson, Fall/Winter Sports Committee, recommended that the Board deny Barren County's request for Cross Country realignment and advises them to go through the Cross Country Committee for future realignment requests. Betsy Glover seconded the motion which passed. Other items discussed were Soccer elections, Bluegrass State Games but no action was taken.

Tasso Harris, Chairperson, Football Committee, recommended that the enrollment figures remain the same for the next two years for classification purposes and that a notice be sent to the schools requesting that no contracts be signed prior to December 15, 1996. He then recommended on behalf of the committee that correspondence be sent to all football officials and schools in an effort to clarify the timing rules and accelerate the pace and duration of the game.

Betsy Glover seconded the motion which passed unanimously. A discussion ensued regarding the State Football Playoffs scheduled for December 6 & 7. The time schedule is as follows: Friday: Class A - 12:00 noon; Class AA - 3:00 p.m.; Class AAA - 7:30 p.m.; Saturday: Class AAAA - 12:00 noon. Staff was directed to express the concerns of the Association to the KFEC with regard to this placement by other events.

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Stan Steidel, Chairperson, Audit/Finance Committee, expressed that the auditors and staff had done a good job. The committee recommended that 1) the Board accept the Audit as presented and submit to the State Board of Education; 2) Staff respond to items A, B, C & D in the Management Correspondence. Gary Kidwell seconded the motion which passed. The committee recommended the following items to be approved: 1) Consider approval of budget updates at the January, May and July meetings only with the budget as an information item at other meetings; 2) Transfer $5,720, from General Fund to Retirement Trust Fund to cover 1996-97 accrued sick leave per auditor; 3) Remove contract services allowance in Building Fund Reserve per auditor; 4) Add sale of equipment to Equipment Reserve per auditor; 5) Remove long-term debt owed Retirement Trust Fund from General Fund per auditor. Mr. Beasley seconded Mr. Steidel's motions on items 1-4. Ken Cox seconded motion on item #5. All motions passed.

Darrell Treece, Chairperson, Springs Sports Committee, recommended that Bylaw 25, Sec. 16, be amended to include Indoor Track in response to the results of the referendum sent to schools. Gary Kidwell seconded the motion, which passed. The referendum was approved 146-14 by the membership and will be submitted to the KDE for approval.

President Rogers called for a lunch break.

Randy Kimbrough and Danny Reeves left the meeting.

The meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m. with a continuance of the Spring Sports Committee Report. Mr. Treece announced that proposals for the 1997 Softball Tournaments will be considered at the December meeting. He advised the Board that in attendance for the presentations to host the 1997 Baseball Tournament were Mac Whitaker, President, Baseball Coaches Association; Mr. Jim Watkins, Jefferson County Schools; and the following representatives from Paducah: Mayor Hindman, Paducah Convention & Visitors Bureau. Following presentations to host the Baseball Tournament in Louisville and Paducah, and a lengthy discussion regarding the possible sites, Mr. Treece made a motion to host the State Baseball Tournament in Paducah in 1997 and in Paducah in 1998. Eddie Taylor seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Miscellaneous items discussed with no action taken included the number of transfer cases in July & August (275); schedule for the December meeting; Committee meetings - Thursday; Regular meetings - Friday and Saturday mornings; reminder that proposals for annual meeting due by December 1; the student assessment form included with the Commissioner's Notes; Hall of Fame induction ceremony; local policy boards; and Sweet 16 Committee meetings.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Roland Williams moved for adjournment. Cookie Henson seconded. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.