

RE: Gary Donald Dearborn

Mr. Dearborn spent 24 of his 38 years in education in the 10th Region as an administrator working with athletics. 12 years were at Harrison Co. High School and 12 were at Pendleton County High School.

He has always been a strong advocate for gender equity, making changes at Harrison County High School to bring girls' athletics into line with the boys'. He was one of the first in the state to establish "equal pay" stipends for all girls'/boys' coaches, including basketball. He insisted that girls and boys uniforms, schedules (with regard to prime time), facilities' usage and locker room assignments were equitable for the first time. In 1998, he volunteered Harrison County High School to be the site of the first Title IX state audit. His changes in district policy were commended by the committee and other schools replicated the procedures in their own districts. At the helm of the HCHS Title IX Committee, he helped formulate a 3-year plan to install lights at the softball field.

As a Board of Control member for the KHSAA, he chaired the state-wide high school basketball re-alignment committee, taking on the daunting task which had not even been reviewed for 37 years. He served as both Vice-President and President of the Board of Control.

At Pendleton County High School, he sat on the Facilities' Renovation Committee and was instrumental in insisting that an auxiliary gym be built at the high school, even though there was substantial opposition to that portion of the renovation plan. The second gym, locker rooms, storage rooms, coaches' offices and officials' area insured that indoor male and female teams, particularly basketball, were more equitable than ever before.

Also, while at PCHS, Gary worked with a planning committee to re-establish a football program in the district and served as an Assistant Coach for two years.

At both schools, he advocated for hiring teachers who were qualified and willing to coach. He believed that open communication throughout the day fostered better team membership, sportsmanship and community awareness.

While in high school Gary was an offensive lineman and tackle for the Franklin County High School Flyers, earning All Mid-State Conference and All-State Honorable Mention player awards.

Gary's resume is as follows:

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Education:

Eastern Kentucky University - Rank I 1988

Georgetown College – Master's Degree 1980
Kentucky State University – Bachelor's Degree 1973

Work Experience:

Pendleton County Schools: 2000 – 2012 Alternative teacher and Assistant Principal/Athletic Director; KHSAA Policy Board 2007 – 2012; Assistant Football Coach – 2 years; 10th Region Basketball Hall of Fame – Class of 2014

Harrison County Schools: 1988 – 2000; Assistant Principal/Athletic Director (6 years); Principal (6 years); KHSADA Secretary 1988 – 1994; Athletic Director of the Year Finalist – 1994; First Title IX Audit in Kentucky – 1998; Kentucky High School Athletic Association Board of Control – 1999 – 2007; Chair of Basketball Re-Alignment Committee – 2004 – 2006; Vice-President 2005-2006; President 2006-2007

Franklin County Schools: 1973 – 1988; Teacher/Head Football Coach; 1990 Kentucky/Tennessee All-Star Assistant Coach; 1987 Girls' Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach; 1979 12 -1 Football School Record (still standing); 1978 4A State Football Runner-Up; 1978 Mid-State Conference Coach of the Year; 1975-1976 Wrestling Assistant Coach; 1973 - 1975 8th Grade Head Boys' Basketball Coach

Organization Membership/Leadership:

Lions' Club – 3rd Vice-President
National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators' Association
Kentucky High School Athletic Directors' Association – Moderator at State Conference; Secretary 1988 – 1994; Athletic Director of the Year Finalist - 1999
Cynthiana Christian Church – Elder; Relay for Life Team Co-Chair
Kentucky Retired Teachers' Association
Harrison County Board of Education member November 2013 – Present
10th Region Basketball Hall of Fame – Class of 2014

Personal:

Wife – Susan; Sons – Kenneth (Stacy) Dearborn, Steven (Beverly) Dearborn, A. J. (Mary Beth) Donovan; grandchildren – Eric, Evan & Eli Dearborn; Jackson & Kate Donovan