

April 20, 2021

**Kentucky High School Athletic Association
Hall of Fame Committee
2280 Executive Dr.
Lexington, KY 40505**

Dear HOF Members:

I would like to take this opportunity to recommend Mr. Barry Barnes for induction into the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

I have known Mr. Barnes for over four decades and it is hard to think of anyone who has been more of a contributor to the betterment of high school sports officiating than Barry. His accomplishments and contributions are unmatched.

Over his forty-eight years as an officiating representative of the KHSAA 3rd Region, Mr. Barnes officiated sixteen KHSAA Basketball Championship Tournaments. In 1994-95 he received the KHSAA Outstanding Basketball Official of the Year Award. In addition to that, Barry has contributed his active officiating prowess to the sports of volleyball (nineteen years), as well as softball (seventeen years).

Once Mr. Barnes stepped out of the ranks of active officiating, he took on the difficult administrative role of being a regional Supervisor and Game Assigner of high school sports officials in basketball (eight years) and in volleyball (fourteen years). His high standards have allowed him to prove his great strengths as a manager, as well as exemplify his professionalism and integrity in every way.

I am confident you will agree it is not hard to see Mr. Barnes' total dedication and commitment to high school sports in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Sincerely,



Larry Boucher

KHSAA Assistant Commissioner (Retired)

Dear Sir or Madam:

I would like to take this opportunity to nominate Mr Barry Barnes to the Kentucky High School Basketball Hall of Fame. I cannot think of a high school basketball official in Kentucky that has accomplished as much Barry over his 40+ years of officiating. Although I do not have the exact number, Barry has officiated numerous boys and girls state tournaments including several championship games, not to mention countless regional and district games. In addition, Barry was consistently the best official in the 3rd region for most of his career.

Perhaps more importantly is his commitment to high school basketball and the time he has given to mentor and train young officials. If there was a referee in our association to emulate it was Barry and he welcomed that responsibility.

So, It is with great pleasure that I nominate for your consideration to the Kentucky Basketball Hall of Fame not only a great official but a dear friend and ambassador of high school basketball, Mr Barry Barnes. I appreciate your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wayne Divine".

Wayne Divine