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July 11, 2023

Julian Tackett
Commissioner, KHSAA
2280 Executive Drive
Lexington, KY 40505

Dear Mr. Tackett,

As a lifelong resident of the northeastern region and Senior Advisor to Governor Andy Beshear, it is with great respect and enthusiasm that I recommend Coach Frank Sloan for induction into the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

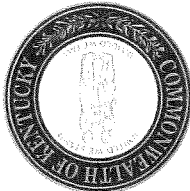
Frank has been an exemplary educator on and off the court and field. He has led many teams to championships and has touched countless lives for the better. Frank has received numerous awards over his career, however, the KHSAA Hall of Fame would be the highlight and icing on the cake for he and his family.

If there's any further information that I can provide that would assist in this decision and review process, please let me know. Thanking you in advance for your consideration to this recommendation.

Sincerely,

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Rocky Adkins
Senior Advisor to Governor Andy Beshear



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Cheri Sloan
905 Edgewood Ave.
Ashland, KY 41102

Dear Cheri,

Thank you for your letter and documentation recommending your husband, Coach Frank Sloan for induction into the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Being raised and living in Northeast Kentucky, I have watched the success of Coach Sloan and I agree with you that he is very deserving for this honor.

I am happy to send a letter of support and recommendation on behalf of Coach Sloan. I wish him the best and am hopeful of him receiving this well-deserved honor.

Thank you for contacting me on this important issue. If I can be of further assistance in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rocky Adkins".

Rocky Adkins

Senior Advisor to Governor Andy Beshear

cc: Julian Tackett
Commissioner, KHSAA

6/23/23

Cheri Sloan
905 Edgewood Ave.
Ophland, Ky 41022

Dear Rocky,

I wanted to reach out to you on behalf of my husband, Coach Frank Sloan. Frank coached for the Ophland Independent Schools for 32 years. During his coaching career, he was, I believe, the only Kentucky coach to take 3 different sports (baseball, girls basketball and boys soccer) to state championships. Not only was he a fantastic coach, but a mentor to all his student athletes.

I am writing you with a sense of urgency. Frank has been recently diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. As his wife, I know I am a bit biased, but his career and achievements certainly speaks volumes of his successes on the court and field.

Frank was inducted into the CPI
Hall of Fame and received the
Tomcat Alumni Award - both honors
that he highly treasures, but the
KHSAA induction would be the highlight
of his career.

I am including supporting documentation
that was sent to into the board in
2012. Mark Maynard may also be a
source to Frank's coaching history.

Thank you for your time and for all
you continue to do for our state,
especially Eastern Kentucky.

Most Sincerely,

Chris Shan

Our sons - Brandon, Jordan and Christian Sha

May 22, 1994

To: Whom Concerned
From: Ray L. McCann

Re: Frank Sloan
2405 Carroll St.
Oshland, Ky 41102

It is my distinct pleasure to make this statement on behalf of Frank whom I have known since he was hired to teach German at Blazer High School in 1973. I have found Frank to be dedicated to whatever task he has been assigned. He has served as a diligent classroom teacher who was liked and respected by his students. Also, he has worked successfully as coach in several situations: Girls Basketball, Boys Baseball and Soccer. He has always turned out winning teams and

doing so in an admirable fashion
which won him the respect of the
athletes, parents and school administration.
Presently, as assistant principal of a
major high school with outstanding
tradition and success with very
fine programs, Frank is fulfilling
that role in an admirable manner.
Frank is an exemplary father and
husband who continues to work with
young people at the elementary school
level.

Frank is a faithful and loyal member
of his church where he is seen in
attendance regularly.

Best wishes and future good luck is
my hope for Frank -



GEORGE M. VERITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

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ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41101

HERB CONLEY
PRINCIPAL

May 18, 1994

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please accept this as a formal recommendation of Mr. Frank Sloan for the position of Girls Basketball coach in your system.

I have known Frank for twenty years. He is a leader and exemplifies the type of character in a coach that can produce a winner. He has the desire to succeed. This trait was strengthened by Frank's positive attitude toward achieving his goals regardless of the sacrifices and hard work involved.

Mr. Sloan is the type of coach I would like for my sons to play for. I have followed his coaching career and progress in academics as well as extra-curricular activities. I feel that I can state he is a man of high morals and a credit to the community of Ashland.

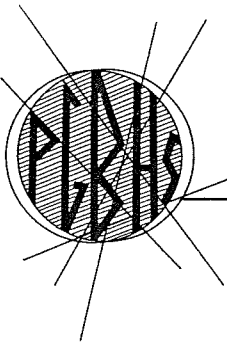
I recommend him sincerely and with the firmest expectancy that he will be a credit to your program.

Sincerely,

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Herb Conley

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Paul G. Blazer High School

JANICE LEDFORD, Principal

Blazer Boulevard • Ashland, KY 41102 • Phone 606-327-2700

May 20, 1994

To Whom It May Concern:

I am recommending Frank Sloan for the head varsity girl's basketball coaching position. He has expressed interest in the job, and I feel he is highly qualified since he previously coached the team. He knows firsthand what the position requires. He was a successful girl's coach.

Furthermore, Frank is currently coaching boy's soccer and has excellent rapport with his players. He knows how to balance the time that is required for students to be successful athletes with the time it takes to do school work. I feel this is extremely important because in many instances too much time is spent on sports and not enough on studying.

Since the girl's basketball program has had a winning tradition, I feel we need an experienced coach who can carry on with a successful program. I believe Frank will be able to fulfill this expectation.

I recommend him without hesitation.

Sincerely,

Janice Ledford
Janice Ledford



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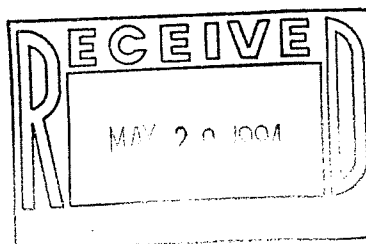
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19 May 1994

Ashland Board of Education
Dr. Kathleen Al-Rubaiy
1420 Central Avenue
Ashland, Ky 41101



Dear Dr. Al-Rubaiy and Board Members:

I am writing to recommend Mr. Frank Sloan for the position of head basketball coach of the Kittens basketball team. Frank mentioned to me that he was going to seek this position and I can think of no better person for the job.

My step-daughter, Audrey Arthur played four year on the Kittens teams that Frank coached. During this time, I found Frank to be just the kind of individual that I wanted Audrey to follow. As her coach, Frank was interested in winning basketball games. However, he was just as interested in her education and character development. Frank's approach to coaching was an indication of his sincere desire to see the children develop into well-rounded individuals.

Since Audrey's graduation, Frank has attained additional educational skills and reached goal-oriented levels in the school system. As we know, school personnel are always in the public eye and on their tongue. I have never heard anything adverse mentioned about Mr. Frank Sloan. To me, that means a lot.

In my opinion, the school system could not do better than to hire Mr. Sloan as the new coach of the Kittens, a position with which he is intimately familiar.

Sincerely,

David E. Floyd

David E. Floyd, Broker

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5/19/94

Richard Dowdy
2773 Elwood Drive
Ashland, Ky. 41102

Dr. Kathleen Al-Rubaiy, Superintendent
Ashland Public Schools
1420 Central Avenue
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Dear Dr. Al-Rubaiy,

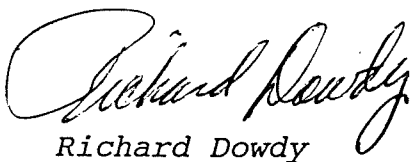
This letter is in support of Frank Sloan's application for Basketball Coach of the Ashland Kittens. I have know Mr. Sloan for approximately ten years and know him a fair man of good moral character.

Mr. Sloan has the influence to correct many of the problems within the Kitten program thereby enhancing the entire girls' basketball program.

Mr. Sloan would carry the tradition of the Ashland Kitten program as a keeper and protector of it and not consider himself the tradition itself.

Lastly should Frank Sloan be hired as the new Coach the Ashland School System gets a Coach already respected by students, teachers, administrators as well as area Coaches. I sincerely hope you earnestly consider Frank Sloan as the Kitten Coach.

Sincerely,



Richard Dowdy

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Dr. Kathleen Al-Rubaiy
Superintendent
Ashland Independent School District
1420 Central Avenue
Ashland, KY 41101

May 23, 1994

Re: High School Girls'
Basketball Coach

Dear Dr. Al-Rubaiy:

My wife, Francie, and I have had three children go through the Ashland School System. Most recently, my daughter, Sarah, graduates from Blazer in two weeks. Over the years we have had many opportunities to deal with Frank Sloan as a teacher and assistant principal at Verity and Blazer. He frequently inquires of my son, who graduates next month from the University of Chicago, and who thinks Mr. Sloan was an excellent teacher. I have been active in support of the athletic program at various levels, boys and girls.

I feel that the system is very fortunate to have Frank Sloan consider returning to the girls' basketball program. Mr. Sloan is an individual who daily shows a great deal of concern for the young people that have contact with him. He treats them even handedly and with respect.

While he ran the program several years ago, it was very successful. The players and parents were uniform in their support of his efforts. His teams represented Ashland well, both in being well coached and in being well mannered young women. I cannot think of anyone in the system who could deal any more effectively with the program in its current state. And, if we have someone within our system as well-qualified as he is, we do not need to look outside. Mr. Sloan will hit the ground running. I would also be very comfortable with the thought of Mr. Sloan coaching a child of mine. He is a sensitive and responsible person who is well-liked by the students. I have known him now for nearly twenty years, and I believe that he has exceptional character and high moral standards. I hope that the girls coming up through the program have the benefit of his leadership for many years to come. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard W. Martin
Richard W. Martin

BLAZER HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
ASHLAND, KENTUCKY 41102

Mark Swift - Athletic Director
Telephone (606) 327-2790 6046

To Whom It May Concern:

It is a pleasure for me to recommend Mr. Frank Sloan for the KHSAA Hall of Fame. Frank has been an exemplary teacher, administrator and coach in our school system and community while at Ashland Blazer High School. During this time, Frank has had an enormous positive impact on all he came in contact with. His personality, work ethic, attitude, and persistence all contributed to both our District and community.

In addition to Frank's numerous positive qualities, he is an actively involved in numerous community endeavors. He is a man that "walks the walk" and has touched all in his orbit with his infectious enthusiasm and sparkling personality. Whether on the soccer pitch, Blazer's campus or the streets of Ashland, he has made those around him better.

Frank's dedication and determination are highly commendable and I have been greatly impressed with his leadership ability. He is a leader among his peers and those he connects with are extremely loyal followers. Frank is a highly motivated worker, taking on any challenge that presents itself. He is an accomplished administrator and coach and was an outstanding teacher prior to his ascension to the Assistant Principal's chair. Additionally, he is also a great role model for the children and adults in our community, given his behavior in all of his endeavors.

I have been asked to write many recommendations. This one has been an honor. I hope I have been able to communicate how special this individual is. His exceptional skills and superb work ethic are exemplary. I give Frank Sloan my *highest* recommendation. If you need any further information, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Mark Swift
Athletic Director
Safe Schools Coordinator
Title IX Coordinator
606.327.6046



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Please summarize this person's accomplishments as a coach, player, official or contributor at the high school level in Kentucky.

Frank Sloan began his teaching/coaching career at Ashland Independent Schools in 1973. Of the 39 years, he coached a total of 32 years. Frank is the 4th winningest coach in KHSAA boys soccer with a record of 267-125-24 from 1985 to 2005. His trophies include 3 regional titles, 1 final 16, 1 final 8, 1 final 4 and 3 time Area Coach of the Year. He also served on the KHSAA Soccer Rules Committee for three years. Frank Sloan always turned out winning team and did so in an admirable fashion which won him the respect of the athletes, parents and school administration. He is a leader and exemplifies the type of character in a coach that can produce a winner. He has the desire to succeed. This trait is strengthened by his positive attitude toward achieving his goals regardless of the sacrifices and hard work involved. He is a man of high morals and a credit to the community of Ashland.

"I am a firm believer that, whatever level, if you don't have good players then you're not going to win a whole of ballgames. Ashland has a long tradition in athletics and I've always believed that great athletes make better coaches."

Please list any other factors about this individual that you would like for the Hall of Fame Committee to consider.

Frank Sloan has the rare distinction of coaching Ashland to regional championships in three sports: baseball 1978, 1979; girls basketball 1983; and boys soccer 1991, 2004, and 2005. He also was named Area Coach of Year 2 times each in both baseball and girls basketball.

Soccer college signees: J.D. Kepler – Marshall, Alex Wheeler – University of the Cumberlands

He also coached all three of his sons – Brandon, Jordan and Christian – on the soccer field.

October 1, 2012

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

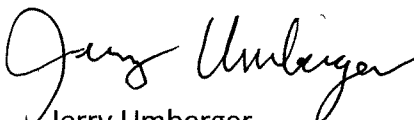
I would like to recommend Frank Sloan for the KHSAA Hall of Fame. Frank has worked in the Ashland Public Schools for 30 plus years. He has held the positions of Teacher, Administrator and Coach. During his coaching years Frank accomplished great success. He was very dedicated coach, and taught his players discipline and respect for the game.

The main reason I believe Frank is a well-qualified candidate for the Hall of Fame is the fact that he is one of a few coaches in the state of Kentucky that has taken three teams to the State Tournament in three different sports.

During Frank's tenure coaching at Ashland Blazer High School he made significant contributions to the excellence of that program. He coached the Ashland boys' soccer team to three trips to the State Tournament. Frank coached the Ashland Baseball team to two trips to the State Tournament and coached the Ashland girls' basketball team to one trip to the State Tournament. This is an accomplishment that very few coaches can claim.

If the KHSAA Hall of Fame is looking for people that have made an impact on the sports programs in the state of Kentucky, Frank Sloan is an excellent choice.

Thank you for your consideration.


Jerry Umberger

October 15, 2012

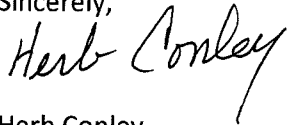
Recommendation: KHSAA Hall of Fame

It is my pleasure to recommend to your attention Frank Sloan who is a candidate for the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

I have known Mr. Sloan in a professional capacity for many years. In addition, I coached with him and his record speaks for itself. Frank has always been responsible, enthusiastic, and a very competent coach. I hope you are in possession of his coaching records which speak for his outstanding coaching accomplishments.

Frank is highly respected throughout the community and the Tri-State area as a great coach, a man of high moral principles, and one with the unique ability to bring greatness out of all those he coached and those who were a contributing part of the whole picture.

Sincerely,

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Herb Conley

October 15, 2012

KHSAA Hall of Fame

I believe Frank Sloan would be a great addition to the KHSAA Hall of Fame. He has been a great coach and friend of mine since 1986 when I first met him on the soccer field. As my high school soccer coach at Paul Blazer High School, Frank taught me the skills that challenged me to play at the collegiate level. He pushed me on the field, and in the classroom, to be the best I could be. Frank devoted countless hours of his time coaching the Blazer boy's soccer team. His accomplishments as a coach speak for themselves.

After returning from the University of Kentucky, on a Soccer Scholarship, I became Frank's Assistant Coach for two years. His continued guidance enabled me the skills necessary to become the Head Coach of the Russell High School Boy's Soccer Team.

The impact he has had on my life and career is just one small example of his influence throughout our community.

Sincerely,

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Clayton C. Hill

ASHLAND LADYCATS SOCCER
ASHLAND, KY 41105-1699
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E.B. LOWMAN, II
HEAD COACH

PO BOX 1699

October 14, 2012

KHSAA Hall of Fame

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing this recommendation on behalf of Frank Sloan. Frank made many contributions and had many accomplishments in high school sports until he retired at the end of the 2005-2006 school year. He spent 20 years as the Head Coach of our Boys Soccer Team at Paul Blazer High School and currently ranks 5th in career wins for boys soccer coaches State wide.

Frank spent many hours positively influencing our youth and teaching them lessons about life as well as the game of soccer. I highly recommend Frank Sloan to become a member of the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E.B. Lowman, II", with a stylized flourish at the end.

E. B. Lowman, II

October 8, 2012

Dear Selection Committee Members:

I am writing in support of Frank Sloan becoming a member of the KHSAA Hall of Fame. I was principal of Paul G. Blazer High School when Frank coached our boys' soccer team and took them to the state tournament three times during my eleven years at Blazer. I never had to worry about the conduct of our players nor their safety when traveling with Coach Sloan. He had the highest of expectations for the players as well as himself. We were always prepared for every opponent; every player felt he could contribute to the success of the team.

Before coaching soccer, Frank also successfully coached baseball and girls' basketball. In both those sports, Frank took teams to the state tournament. The reason he won in three different sports is that he would not accept anything less than the best a player was capable of doing. His teams went into every game, believing they were going to win.

Frank Sloan was my assistant principal for eleven years. His strong leadership was the key to his success no matter if he were coaching or doing his administrative job.

I recommend Frank Sloan for induction into KHSAA Hall of Fame without reservation.

Sincerely,

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Janice Ledford