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Minutes of Board Meeting

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The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the K.H.S.A.A. Building, Lexington, on Saturday morning, December 19, 1970. The meeting was called to order by President Don Davis at 9:00, with all Board members, Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford, and Assistant Commissioners J. B. Mansfield and Billy V. Wise present. The invocation was given by W. H. Crowdus.

W. H. Crowdus moved, seconded by Richard Vincent, that the minutes of the October 3rd meeting be waived, since members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that the football championship playoffs continue to be successful. Financial reports have been received from eight game managers, indicating that all expenses have been paid with shares of profit having been sent to the schools involved. The AAA final game held in Louisville set a new record in receipts and attendance, with the receipts and attendance at the Classes A and AA final held in Lexington being slightly under the comparable figures for 1969. After a discussion concerning an additional amount to be allotted to each team taking part in a final game, in accordance with the provisions of K.H.S.A.A. Football Rule IV-C, J. C. Cantrell moved, seconded by Morton Combs, that each of the six teams involved shall receive an amount of \$1,000.00. The motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman J. B. Mansfield of the Trophy Committee reported that sealed bids for the 1971 district and regional basketball trophies were opened at the K.H.S.A.A. office on October 16, 1970. He stated that the Committee accepted the bids of Rihards Sport Shop, Glasgow, Kentucky, for both district and regional trophies. The price per set of the district trophies was \$36.00, and the price per set of the regional trophies was \$52.95.

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The Commissioner presented requests from Principal Winston Hamilton of the Mt. Sterling High School and Athletic Director Julian B. Cunningham of the Montgomery County High School concerning the playing of these schools in Football Class A, Region 3, District 2, for the seasons of 1971 and 1972. James T. Dotson moved, seconded by Tom Mills, that the redistricting request of the Mt. Sterling High School and the Montgomery County High School be granted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Richard Vincent moved, seconded by Tom Mills, that the next Board meeting be held in Louisville on January 23, 1971. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner reported that he had written to Prin. Foster J. Sanders of the Male High School on November 27, 1970, advising him that his school was being placed on probation with the Kentucky High School Athletic Association for a period of two years. The penalty came as a result of a violation of the Association's Sportsmanship Rule, By-Law 17, on the evening of November 7, 1970, during and following the Male-Trinity football game. Reports of the trouble which had developed were filed by the principals of the two schools and by the four officials who worked the game. The Commissioner stated that several other letters had been received from persons in attendance at the game who could describe in detail the incidents which were possible violations of the By-Law mentioned.

Superintendent Newman Walker, Assistant Superintendent Frank Yeager, and four members of the Louisville City Board of Education met with the Board of Control to discuss certain problems which had arisen in Louisville in the area of high school athletics. In a letter written to President Davis earlier, Superintendent Walker had stated that the Louisville Board of Education is committed maximizing desegregation wherever possible, that one problem was a lack of black officials for athletic events held in Louisville, and that his Board "would like to discuss the problems created by the lack of blacks at the policy-making levels of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association."

The Commissioner stated that he did not have any figures on the number of black officials registered with the K.H.S.A.A. since the application cards signed by the officials do not give this type of information. He further stated that he would welcome more black officials into the K.H.S.A.A. as they become qualified under the regulations of the Association, and that it was his hope that the Louisville Board and other interested persons in the area would urge blacks to become registered officials in the K.H.S.A.A. Assistant Commissioner Wise, who is in charge of the registration and training of new officials, stated that the December 1st deadline for the completion of registration in basketball had been extended by the Commissioner to accommodate several prospective black officials in the Louisville area.

There was a general discussion concerning the procedure of election to membership on the Board of Control, as outlined in the regulations of the Association. The Louisville group was apparently under the impression that only principals of K.H.S.A.A. member schools were eligible for Board membership. Article IV, Section 2-a, was read, which provides that, to be eligible for membership on

the Board of Control, one must only be actively engaged in the teaching profession (teacher, administrator, or supervisor) in his local section as a regular staff member in some official capacity.

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James T. Dotson moved, seconded by J. C. Cantrell, that all bills of the Association for the period beginning October 1, 1970, and ending November 30, 1970, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Tom Davis

President

Sheila Cantrell

Secretary