April 18, 1974

Board of Control Meeting

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at Stouffer's Inn, Louisville, on Thursday morning, April 18, 1974. The meeting was called to order by President Frank Simpson at 9:00 A.M., with Board members J. C. Cantrell, J. Thomas Creamer, Howard R.Crittenden, Andrew J. Fultz, Arthur Hawkins, Louie Martin, James R. Williams and Roy L. Winchester; Commissioner J. B. Mansfield and Assistant Commissioners Tom Mills, Billy V. Wise and Louis Stout present. Mr. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by J. C. Cantrell.

Roy L. Winchester moved, seconded by Jack Fultz, that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be waived since the members of the Board had received copies of these minutes in the mail. The motion carried unanimously.

Assistant Commissioner Tom Mills reported an increase in attendance at the 1974 State Basketball Tournament. He reported that the attendance for the eight sessions was 124,954 for an average of 15,620 per session. This compared to an attendance of 120,525 for the 1973 tournament. The total ticket sales for 1974 was \$286,142.00. The estimated tournament expenses are approximately \$85,000.00. A complete record of all receipts and disbursements will appear in the annual audit. Tom Creamer moved, seconded by Roy L. Winchester, that the State Tournament report be accepted as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr.Jim Gatewood, Principal of Westport High School, came before the Board

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requesting that Soccer be changed from a "Fall" to a "Spring" sport. He stated that he had polled the principals of all Soccer playing schools and found that eighteen favored the change, while two were opposed and two were undecided. He requested that the Board consider approving the change on a one year trial basis. President Simpson assured Mr. Gatewood that his request would be given full consideration. Mr. Gatewood thanked the Board for considering his request and departed. Roy L. Winchester then made the motion, seconded by J.C. Cantrell, that Soccer be changed to a Spring sport on a trial basis of one year. All members voted aye.

Upon the recommendation of Commissioner Mansfield, the Board of Control adopted the following changes or additions in the rules and regulations governing basketball tournaments of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association:

- I. Dates of Tournaments
 The Board ofControl of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association shall directly or through its Commissioner arrange for a girls' and boys' district basketball tournament during the first week in March; and regional tournaments during the second week. The state tournaments will be held, one each week, during the third and fourth weeks.
- VI. B-State Tournament
 1. The following expense allowances will apply if the receipts
 from the tournament make them justifiable, otherwise, the allowance
 will be determined by the Board of Control.
- XI. Number of Players
 Each team shall be limited at each tournament game to twelve players
 from among those whose names appear on the final eligibility lists,
 and these players must be designated for each game of the tournament.
 No others may be in uniform.
- XIV. Dimensions of Tournament Courts

 The dimensions of the court on which the games will be played will be determined by the size of the court at the tournament site.

Superintendent Roy James, Principal Johnny Vincent and Athletic Director Jimmy Leo Stice of Edmonson County came before the Board requesting that Edmonson County High School be moved from Region 3, District 12, to Region 4, District 15. Mr. James explained that the move would cut travel distance and expense for the team and fans. Following several questions by members of the Board, President Simpson thanked Mr. James for coming before the Board and assured him that sincere consideration would be given to his request and that he would be informed of the final decision.

The Commissioner then reported the need for basketball redistricting in certain areas. After a discussion concerning redistricting requests, Louie Martin moved that Whitesville Trinity be moved from the ninth District to the eleventh District; that Ohio County and Fordsville be moved from the 11th District to the 12th District; that Edmonson County be moved from the Third Region, District 12, to the Fourth Region, District 15; and that Russell County be moved from District 47 to District 46. The motion was seconded by Arthur Hawkins and all members voted aye.

Considerable discussion was then given to the fact that four basketball districts were represented by only three teams. Howard Crittenden stated that since it is an ever increasing problem, due to consolidation, to

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maintain four districts with a minimum of four teams in the sixteen regions, he would make the motion that a district may be left with three teams where necessary but that other teams could be moved into the district upon request or when the Board of Control deemed it justifiable. Louie Martin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

To prohibit one of the three teams in a district drawing into the regional tournament and receiving a trophy without winning a game, the following plan for a three team district was adopted: In a district having three teams (A, B,C) the team drawing the bye (C) will play the loser of the game between the other two teams. If "C" loses this game the tournament is over with the other two teams advancing to the regional. If "C" defeats the loser of the first game then it will play the winner of the first game in the final game of the tournament.

Mr. Mansfield presented a letter from Mr. Buford T. Horton, Superintendent of the Estill County Schools, requesting that Estill County be transferred from basketball Region 11, District 44, to Region 10, District 40. Following a lengthy discussion the Board failed to take action upon this request.

The Board failed to take the necessary action to restore eligibility in the following cases:

- 1. Janet Hubbard Salmons, a student at Knox Central High School, who is ineligible under By-Law 5, Section 4, Preceding Semester Enrollment.
- 2. James Stidham, a student at Powell County High School, who is ineligible under By-Law 5, Section 1, Number of Semesters.
- 3. Jim Ed Livesay, a student at Lloyd Memorial High School, who is ineligible under By-Law 6, Section 1, Transfer Rule.
- 4. Phillip Wells, a student at Johnson Central High School, who is ineligible under By-Law 4, Age Limit.

On the motion of Jack Fultz, seconded by J. C. Cantrell, the Board of Control voted unanimously to sanction a basketball game between the National Russian Juniors and the Herald Leader All-Stars. The game will be played on April 29, 1974. The Board emphasized that such action did not in any way represent a change in policy or philosophy regarding post-season and/or all-star games. Due to the nature of the game, and since it is to be held only one time, it was given special consideration.

Mr. Mansfield presented correspondence regarding a request for an appeal of the penalty ruling of the Commissioner in the case of C. V. Preston, a student at Johnson Central High School. After studying the correspondence, Louie Martin moved, seconded by Roy L. Winchester, that the ruling of the Commissioner stand and if anything, the penalty should have been more severe. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mansfield presented a letter received from Mrs. Blanche Mahoney, Chief Clerk of the Senate, which contained Senate Resolution Number 65. The Resolution requested that the Board of Control consider setting up three classes in basketball similar to that system of classification presently established for secondary football programs. This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 18, 1974. A discussion followed, with each Board member expressing the attitude of school personnel in his respective section toward classification. Results of various surveys made by member schools were presented. President Simpson appointed Tom Creamer, Howard Crittenden and J. C. Cantrell to serve on a committee to study classification in basketball. He stated that he would appoint other persons to the

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committee who are both in favor of and opposed to classification.

Mr. Lee Williams, Executive Secretary, Basketball Hall of Fame, requested by letter that the Kentucky High School Athletic Association contribute annually a \$100.00 Life Membership fee to the Basketball Hall of Fame. No action was taken on this request.

Assistant Commissioner Billy V. Wise presented suggestions for Board consideration concerning the assignment of officials in the various sports for the 1974-75 school year. Each member was asked to discuss these with his local Policy Committee prior to the next Board meeting.

Frank Simpson and W. P. Wheeler were named delegate and alternate, respectively, to the forthcoming annual meeting of the National Federation.

Roy Winchester made the motion, seconded by Jack Fultz, that all bilks of the Association beginning March 1, 1974, and ending March 31, 1974, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Board of Control was scheduled for Wednesday, June 5, 1974, at 10:00 A.M. in Morehead.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Procident

Secretary