

Minutes of the Board Meeting

October 16, 1982

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met at the K.H.S.A.A. Building, Lexington, Kentucky, on Saturday morning, October 16, 1982. The meeting was called to order by President Fairce Woods at 9:00 a.m. with all Board members, Commissioner Tom Mills, Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise, Assistant Commissioners Brigid L. DeVries and Louis Stout present. Conley Manning was present representing the State Department of Education. The invocation was given by Alvis Johnson.

Patrick Crawford moved, seconded by Charles Black, that the minutes of the meeting held on July 23, 1982, be approved as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

William A. Toler, Principal of Breathitt County High School, and Ernest Noble, appeared before the Board on behalf of Doug Noble to ask the Board to waive By-Law 6, Transfer Rule, and restore the student's eligibility at Breathitt County High School. Following Mr. Toler's presentation, questions by the Board members to Mr. Toler and Mr. Noble and comments from Mr. Noble, Ray Story moved, seconded by Whaylor Coleman, that the decision of the Commissioner be upheld. The motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Douglas A. Wetzel spoke to the Board on behalf of Mark Armstrong, a student at Daviess County High School who is ineligible under the provisions of By-Law 6, Transfer Rule. Mr. Wetzel presented the facts in the case and informed the Board that Mr. and Mrs. Charles Armstrong and their son Mark were available to answer any questions the Board might wish to ask. After much discussion and questions by the Board members to Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong and Mark, Alvis Johnson moved that the Commissioner investigate the case further and report back to the Board as soon as possible. The motion carried by a vote of 8-1 with 1 abstention.

Commissioner Mills read a letter written by Board Attorney Philip D. Scott informing the attorneys of the Dayton Independent Board of Education that the Board of Control of the K.H.S.A.A. had rejected their proposal for classification in basketball and that he had received an indication from Gary Bale of the Kentucky State Department of Education that the State Board has taken a similar position.

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President Fairce Woods called for Miscellaneous items to be brought before the Board. Commissioner Mills reported on the following items:

1983 National Federation Summer Meeting - The meeting is to be held in Seattle, Washington from June 28 - July 2, 1983.

Mr. Mills explained that he had received correspondence from the Nocona Athletic Goods Company requesting that the K.H.S.A.A. recommend that all member schools include some type warning language in their athletic authorization forms to insure that the parents and players realize the potential dangers in athletic participation. Following a lengthy discussion of this request, Mr. Mills was instructed to seek legal counsel on this matter.

Commissioner Mills read a letter received from James E. Hurley, Murray, Kentucky regarding a permanent memorial scholarship fund being established at Murray State University in honor of the late Rex Alexander, a former Assigning Secretary. Mr. Hurley requested that the K.H.S.A.A. consider participating in the funding of this scholarship. John Brock suggested that the Commissioner seek legal advise and then re-submit this request during the November meeting of the Board.

Commissioner Mills read a letter received from Mr. Eddie Ford who was proposing a foreign basketball tour and was asking for information with regard to jeopardizing students' eligibility if they participated in the tour. After a discussion of various K.H.S.A.A. By-Laws, John Brock moved, seconded by Robie Harper that the Commissioner inform Mr. Ford of the rules and regulations of the Association as they pertain to such events. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills stated that he has received numerous letters regarding the Limitation of Seasons as previously adopted by the Board. He suggested that the Sports Committee might need to study this correspondence to determine if changes need to be made. After some discussion, Robie Harper moved, seconded by John Brock, that this issue be referred back to the Sports Committee for further study. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Mills reported that State Basketball Tournament ticket order forms were mailed to all superintendents and principals on October 12.

Commissioner Mills reported to the Board that the third car had been purchased for the use of the K.H.S.A.A. as approved. Commissioner Mills, Executive Assistant Billy V. Wise and Assistant Commissioner Louis Stout now have the use of automobiles with Assistant Commissioner Brigid L. DeVries having the use of a car as needed. After a discussion, Ray Story moved, seconded by John Brock that the Commissioner be authorized to purchase a fourth automobile for the K.H.S.A.A. The motion carried by a vote of 7 in favor, 2 opposed, 1 abstention.

Following a discussion on the employment of Paraprofessional personnel to serve as coaches, Conley Manning distributed a copy of the revised regulations and application form now being used by the State Department of Education for this purpose. He explained that prior to employing a paraprofessional coach, the superintendent and chairman of the local board of education must submit a signed copy of this form to the Bureau of Instruction for approval.

Commissioner Mills discussed the need for an in-house computer. Following a discussion on the need and various uses of the computer, Bob Rogers, as Chairman of the Staff Committee, recommended the Board approve the purchase of a computer for office use. Ray Story moved, seconded by Whaylon Coleman that the Commissioner be authorized to purchase a computer. The motion carried unanimously.

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Executive Asst. Wise distributed a list of schools that had requested re-classification in football. He suggested that the Football Committee meet to consider these requests. It was decided that the Football Committee would meet on Friday, October 29. Mr. Wise also mentioned schools that had requested to be re-districted. He noted that these requests would need to be discussed at the committee meeting also. It was decided that the All-Sports Committee would meet on Thursday, October 28 at 8:00 p.m. at the K.H.S.A.A. Office Building.

Mr. Wise reported the following dates and times of the football playoffs at the Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center, November 26, Class A, 1:00 p.m.; Class AA, 3:00 p.m.; Class AAA, 7:30 p.m.; November 27, Class AAAA, 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Control will be held at Executive Inn East, Louisville, on November 27, 1982, at 9:00 a.m. The motion was made by Charles Black and seconded by John Brock. The motion carried unanimously.

Bob Rogers moved, seconded by Charles Black that all bills of the Association for the period beginning July 1, 1982, and ending September 30, 1982, be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Bob Rogers moved, seconded by Eldon Davidson, that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

James O. Howland
President

Tom Mills
Secretary