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Fwd: request concerning harlan county cross country track

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Mon, Aug 18, 2014 at 3:03 PM

Here is the letter of request from Harlan County for one of the board agenda items. Thanks,

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Date: Wed, Aug 13, 2014 at 2:44 PM

Subject: request concerning harlan county cross country track To: "apassafiume@khsaa.org" <apassafiume@khsaa.org>

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Ms. Passafiume,

Good afternoon! I am emailing in regard to track and cross country here at Harlan County High School. During the last KHSAA realignment, Harlan County was moved to AAA Region 7 based upon our enrollment. During the 13-14 school year until the present time, our enrollment has declined due to various factors in our county, including the closure of coal mines forcing families to relocate and general attrition,

At the beginning of the 13-14 school year, Harlan County's enrollment was 1090 students. This decreased to 1036 this year, which puts us under the designated range of 1050 by the KHSAA for AA. I am emailing requesting consideration to have our track and cross country programs to return to AA Region 7. Mr. Tackett may recall our former principal, and KHSAA designee (Bob Howard) had requested to remain in AA 7 at the onset of the realignment due to the natural geography and travel consideration for the program, and this factor remains in the forefront of this request by our school. Returning to AA 7 would allow our program a much shorter travel schedule for competition against regional schools; and with our enrollment now in the target area, I am hopeful that you and Mr. Tackett will consider this request.

Please notify me with any questions. We can send official enrollment documentation at your request.

Thanks so much.

Edna M. Burkhart

Principal

Harlan County High school