Commissioner Julian Tackett

Topic Attendance on Behalf of KHSAA

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Meeting_Session Attended

NFHS Winter Meeting

Annually in January, the NFHS holds a meeting of the 51 State assocation executive directors and commissioners. This mid-year meeting is a great opportunity for update of legal and other issues that have occurred during the fall as well as other matters common to the Associations.

Of special interest this year was a consortium of other states dealing with transitions in the management of their school data and information and charting next paths. Several states has been using different developers over time and as those individuals stepped away, strategic challenges were left behind as these states chartered the next course. As the former chair of two different NFHS Technology committees, I was able to be on the ground floor to a great many discussions over the past two years and this meeting had several smaller meetings that afforded an opportunity for update on the current state options and what was being utilized. (See separate report on technology transition).

Takeaways to help Board and Staff

In addition, several sessions around legal and risk minimization were held, and an in depth discussion about states that frankly, do not have the positive relationship with their legislature that we have been able to forge for the past couple of decades and more.

As always, we were proud to be seen as one of the leaders in so many areas, and that is always attributed to a supportive board of control that is willing to give input and direction on behalf of the majority of the member schools, not only the schools represented by an individual member but truly, all of the schools.

This meeting is one of three that are inherently required of the directors to attend (no specific requirement, but we are much better off if our director attends), and jump starts the second semester for our operations.