

Name	Commissioner Julian Tackett
Topic	Sports Report
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Sport	Winter Basketball
Positive Developments and Highlights	<p>The regular season was in all measures, typical. No real issues and most schools seem to get a full schedule. Girls basketball participation appears to be slightly down and is a point worth paying attention to over the next few years.</p> <p>Associate Commissioner Cope has taken on the majority of inquiries related to regular season play and has managed the fairly typical number of incidents and situations. We have (thankfully) not had some of the incidents that have occurred in other states but have rules coverage should they occur.</p>
Championship Update/Review	<p>Staff continues working toward a successful postseason. District tournaments have begun and we are most appreciative of the great work done by the member schools in hosting.</p> <p>Staff continues to remind schools of the change in calendar for 2023-24 and 2024-25 and helping ensure that the calendar roll-over and season changes does not impact operations.</p> <p>The state tournament(s) have been particularly challenging due to the conflict in scheduling that has us not able to use the Hyatt Regency Hotel. The Board will have an option to sign an agreement with the Hyatt for the future or stay with the Hilton for the majority of its operations. That determination can be made following the tournament this year.</p>
Officials Update/Review	<p>The shortage of officials continues to impact play. While assigners have adhered to the almost essential practice of three officials to properly administer the game (it simply isn't the same game it was 20 years ago), they have had to have contests moved and rescheduled on multiple occasions.</p>
Fiscal and Budget Issues and Review (attendance, etc.)	<p>Ticket sales are strong for renewals. Now five years in to digital ticketing, the Rupp Arena box office has done a great job assisting the association</p>