

Minutes of the Board Meeting

August 2, 2010

President Kelley Crain convened the regular meeting of the KHSAA Board of Control on Monday, August 2, 2010. Board members present were: Kelley Crain, Alan Donhoff, Bill Beasley, John Barnes, Carrell Boyd, Anita Burnette, Art Davis, Ozz Jackson, Jerry Keepers, Boyd Randolph, Steve Riley, Jeff Schlosser, Robert "Bob" Schneider, Stan Steidel, and Dave Weedman.

Board members absent were: Gene Norris, Lea Prewitt, and Marvin Moore, who had to leave after the Committee meetings.

Also present were: Commissioner Julian Tackett, Assistant Commissioners Michael Barren, Darren Bilberry, Butch Cope, and Angela Passafiume; Sports Information Director Elden May, General Counsel Chad Collins, Information Technology Director Rob Catron and Support Specialist Cheryl Goodwin.

Guests present were: David Couch, Kentucky Department of Education.; Anthony W. Sparks, Principal Daviess County High School; Doug Sandifer Athletic Director, Daviess County High School; and Matt Mason, Asst. Principal Daviess County High School.

Dave Weedman provided a moment of reflection followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Steve Riley. President Crain stated that fifteen out of eighteen Board members were present.

The Consent Agenda to approve the minutes of the May, 2010 regular meeting; the Report on Transfers; the Report on Disqualifications and Penalties, July 12, 2009 through June 30, 2010; and the KDE Summary of Appeal Rulings was brought to the floor by Dave Weedman, seconded by Jeff Schlosser and was approved unanimously.

Appointment of Board of Control Committees (per the President) was brought to the floor by Jerry Keepers, Seconded by Dave Weedman and was approved by a unanimous vote.

There was a motion to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of reviewing legal matters by Jerry Keepers and seconded by Dave Weedman, passing unanimously.

There was a motion by Ozz Jackson and seconded by Jerry Keepers to return to Open Session, which was approved unanimously. No action was taken during Closed Session.

Ozz Jackson stepped out of the meeting at 2:17 p.m.

The appeal from Fulton County High School was next considered. Representatives were not present from the school but had communicated their concerns through the Commissioner. Fulton County High School has worked with the KHSAA office to remedy the situation that was presented following the fight with Calloway County in 2009. It was motioned by Stan Steidel that the student be reinstated after the 3rd football game of this year for a total of a 6 game suspension plus the entire 2010 track season. The motion was seconded by Steve Riley. The school has since also replaced the entire staff of the football team. The vote was unanimous to approve with 14 Board members present. (Mr. Jackson had temporarily left.)

Ozz Jackson stepped back in the meeting at 2:24 p.m.

Daviess County High School's appeal was then considered. The appeal was regarding the use of an ineligible player during the football season. Following discussion, the Daviess County Administrators left the meeting. Anita Burnette recused herself due to a personal connection. A motion was made by Boyd Randolph to deny the appeal, seconded by Stan Steidel. Motion passed with 12 in favor, 2 opposes and 1 recused. (Alan Donhoff & Steve Riley opposed the vote.)

Football Committee Report: Bob Schneider stated that the committee met to review the football alignment for 2011 and the following recommendations were made:

1. Stay with six (6) classes.
2. The committee agreed that a school can play "up" for geographical reasons also to note that if a school plays up the bottom school in the class being moved to have the option of moving down, but only the bottom school.
3. Three options were discussed as to how to form the size of the classes and it was decided there should be 32 teams in 6A, 32 teams in 1A and the rest distributed evenly among the remaining schools.
4. Item not decided fully in committee was the length of the period to review football alignments, if the length should be 2 years or 4 years. Clarification being that the KHSAA Board would look at the alignment if there were big gains or losses by a school.

Bob Schneider made the following Motions:

1. That the length of the alignment be four (4) years with consideration at two (2) years of any enrollments following extraordinary gains or losses. Dave Weedman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
2. To stay with six (6) classes, seconded by Dave Weedman, carried unanimously.
3. To allow playing up for geographical reasons only with reasons put in writing and the bottom school in that class may move down if they wish to keep the balance of the classes, seconded by Art Davis. The motion passed unanimously.
4. That Option 2 be approved with that being: 32 teams in 6A, 32 teams in 1A and the rest distributed evenly among the remaining schools, seconded by Stan Steidel, passed unanimously.

John Barnes left the meeting at 2:58 p.m.

Regulation Adoption and Legislative Committee: Mr. Donhoff stated that when the committee met they had two motions to be considered and he made the following on behalf of the Committee.

1. To approve sending a proposal to change the wording of Bylaw 27 so that it matches House Bill 327 to present to the Delegate Assembly at the Annual Meeting, seconded by Dave Weedman, vote passed unanimously.
2. To deny sending forward the proposal from Eminence High School regarding the playing of Kentucky non-member schools to the Delegate Assembly at the Annual Meeting, seconded by Art Davis, John Barnes returns to the meeting at 3:00p.m., motion passed (11-3 vote) with Dave Weedman, Stan Steidel and Bob Schneider opposed.

Executive Committee Report: The following motions were brought to the floor by President, Kelley Crain:

1. To approve the year end external corporate report as well as the internal and external fundraising report. Seconded by Alan Donhoff, passed unanimously.
2. Extend the golf contract with Bowling Green Country Club and Leachman Buick GMC as the title sponsor for the next ten (10) years with the ability to opt out of that contract if there are problems that develop and revenue to be looked at after three (3) years, seconded by Ozz Jackson, 13-1 vote passed with Jeff Schlosser opposed.
3. For Owensboro to be designated to host the Fast Pitch Softball Tournament through 2014, seconded by Dave Weedman, vote passed 10-4. Stan Steidel, Kelley Crain, Jeff Schlosser, Alan Donhoff opposed.
4. To approve the extension of Forcht Bank as the State Baseball Championship title sponsor through 2013 per written agreement which was signed in 2008, seconded by Art Davis, motion passed with a unanimous vote.
5. To direct the Commissioner and staff to look at the State Softball format and schedule and bring recommendations coming from that study to the Board, and to also look at using heat index requirements for all the spring sports. This motion was seconded by Jerry Keepers then passed unanimously.
6. To accept the membership applications as contained in the Board packet received by all Board members, seconded by Ozz Jackson, and unanimously approved.
7. To approve recognition of the bowling interest survey and to direct KHSAA staff to study implications of adding bowling as a recognized sport. Seconded by Dave Weedman, and approved with a unanimous vote.
8. To approve the Association bills from May 30, 2010 to June 30, 2010, seconded by Jeff Schlosser; the vote was unanimous.
9. Approve emergency provisions to enable Commissioner Tackett to look for an alternate trophy vendor who can deliver quality services at a comparable price, seconded by Art Davis, approved unanimously.
10. To approve the salary schedule as contained in the Board packet that being Option 1, seconded by Dave Weedman, passed unanimously.
11. To approve the budget for the 2010-2011 year as contained in the packet, seconded by Dave Weedman and unanimously approved.

Mr. Tackett requested permission to dispose of a fixed asset that belongs to the Association. It is a used automobile that has been on lease to sell it at whatever fees, costs, etc to a former employee for purchase. This was motioned by Art Davis, seconded by Jerry Keepers and approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. with a motion by Ozz Jackson, seconded by Jerry Keepers and passing with a unanimous vote.