

Minutes of Board Meeting

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The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association met in the K.H.S.A.A. building, Lexington, on Saturday morning October 22, 1960. The meeting was called to order by President Louis Litchfield at 9:30, with all Board members, Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford, and Assistant Commissioner J. B. Mansfield present.

Jack Dawson moved, seconded by Cecil A. Thornton, that the reading of the minutes of the July 30th meeting be waived, since the members of the Board had received copies of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman W. B. Jones of the Trophy Committee reported that his committee had met and had selected district and regional basketball trophies which would be used in the forthcoming 1961 tournaments. Mr. Jones said that the trophy specifications were now being prepared for the bidders.

Assistant Commissioner J. B. Mansfield discussed the forthcoming football championships and the current won and lost records of some of the leading teams in the various football regions. The Commissioner stated that the final Class A and Class AA championship games were scheduled to be played in Lexington on Thanksgiving Day, with the Class AAA championship game to be played in Louisville on Saturday, December 3.

W. H. Crowder moved, seconded by Oran C. Teater, that the next meeting of the Board of Control be held in Lexington on December 22, 1960. The motion was carried unanimously. 283

The Commissioner recommended that Edgar McNabb and Joe Ohr be named respectively delegate and alternate to the forthcoming meeting of the National Federation Football Committee. Robert P. Forsythe moved, seconded by Oran C. Teater, that the recommendation of the Commissioner be accepted and approved. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner read a letter from Mr. Roy Mundorff, Basketball Hall of Fame Committeeman, requesting that Kentucky basketball fans be given an opportunity to contribute to the Basketball Hall of Fame at games played during Hall of Fame Week, scheduled for February 6-11, 1961. W. B. Jones moved, seconded by Robert P. Forsythe, that the Board of Control go on record as being in favor of the Basketball Hall of Fame movement. K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Jack Dawson, that the Commissioner be authorized to send out a letter to member schools, suggesting a minimum contribution of \$5.00 from each school, with all contributions being on a volunteer basis. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Commissioner brought to the attention of the Board all of the evidence which he had accumulated in connection with the Lloyd "Mickey" Gibson case. The parents of this boy late in August had moved from Carr Creek to Hazard, and a charge of undue influence in connection with the move had been made against the Hazard High School. The Commissioner stated that the evidence in the case, which consisted mainly of an investigation by Assistant Commissioner J. B. Mansfield, and of affidavits and signed statements, was contradictory at almost every point; and that his decision was that undue influence had not been established in the Lloyd Gibson case. Since no penalty was involved in the case, the Board concurred with the opinion of the Commissioner that this was not in reality an appeal case, but the members of the Board were willing to hear all of the evidence presented by each side in the controversy. The Commissioner told the Board that, if it was the opinion of the Board members that he had interpreted the Undue Influence Rule incorrectly he would consider reversing his decision. The Board members thought that this was a case of rules interpretation, which falls under the duties of the Commissioner. Attention was called to the fact that By-Law 10 provides that the Commissioner shall be the sole judge as to what constitutes undue influence. It was the general opinion of the members of the Board that the ruling that the Commissioner had made was the only possible one which could have been made under the circumstances, based on the evidence which had been presented.

The Commissioner stated that it might be necessary for the K.H.S. A.A. to borrow some money prior to the time of receiving 1961 State Basketball Tournament money, with this plan probably more advisable than that of selling bonds or transferring money from savings accounts. Jack Dawson moved, seconded by Robert P. Forsythe, that the Board of Control authorize Commissioner Theo. A. Sanford to borrow, during the fiscal year 1960-61 for the purpose of paying current bills and salaries, an amount not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The motion was carried unanimously.

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K. G. Gillaspie moved, seconded by Jack Dawson that all bills of the Association for the period beginning July 30, 1960, and ending October 21, 1960, be allowed. The motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

*Louis Littlefield*  
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President

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Secretary