

## BOARD OF CONTROL MINUTES

June 9-11, 2009

Murfreesboro, Tennessee

1. Roll Call
2. Approved Minutes of Last Meeting
3. Voted to instruct the state office to conduct the drawing for Regional and State Volleyball Tournament
4. Approved the Financial Report of the 2009 Basketball Tournament Series
5. No Action was required regarding Postseason Basketball Options. Given for information purposes only.
6. Voted to raise individual ticket prices in sectional contests in basketball, volleyball, softball, baseball, soccer, and track from \$6.00 to \$7.00. Individual tickets during football playoff games will be raised from \$7.00 to \$8.00. All TSSAA championship events, other than football championships and state basketball tournament finals which have already been set at \$12, will be raised to \$10.00.
7. Voted to add the following to the basketball regulations:

All expenses in the district/regional basketball tournaments must be approved by a majority vote of the schools in that district/region prior to the start of the tournament.

If a tournament administration fee is to be paid, the amount must be approved by a majority vote by the schools in that district/region prior to the start of the tournament. The fee shall not exceed \$25 per game for a game administration fee.
8. Approved the Financial Report of the 2009 Wrestling Tournament Series
9. Approved the Report of the 2009 Athletic Directors Conference
10. Approved the Report of the 2009 Cheer Coaches Conference
11. Heard the Report of the District and Regional Coordinators Meeting in April.
12. Heard the Sportsmanship Review of the 2008-2009 School Year. Voted to continue providing \$27,000 for scholarships provided to a student selected from each of the 27 schools that are selected as Divisional Finalists for the A.F. Bridges Awards. Each student selected from each school is to receive \$1,000 once they enroll at a college or university. The money provided is taken from the fines collected for coach ejections throughout the school year.

Voted to approve summary of unsportsmanlike conduct.

13. Report of the Finance Committee
14. Reviewed the Proposed Budget for the 2009-10 School Year. In August, the Board will be presented the audit for the year and the revised budget, if necessary, as a result of the audit.
15. Approved the Financial Report of the 2008-09 Hall of Champions Games
16. Approved the Division II Need-Based Financial Aid Final Report
17. Voted to deny the request by University School of Nashville in regards to the Bowling Tiebreaker
18. Discussed the Schedule of the 2009 Administrators' Meetings Schedule. It should be noted that these meetings will be held a month earlier than usual.
19. Voted to select Cookeville as the host of the 2009 and 2010 BlueCross Bowl Football Championships.
20. Discussed the Spring Fling Bids for 2010 and 2011. Bid packages to host the 2010 and 2011 BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Spring Fling were sent to those cities that expressed interest the second week in May. Proposals are due in the state office by July 13, 2009. Representatives of each city submitting a proposal will have an opportunity to discuss their proposal at the August meeting prior to the Board making their selection.
21. Approved Change in Cheerleading Safety Guidelines. The experts that we depend on as far as safety is concerned are the individuals at Universal Cheerleading Association (UCA). Their safety guidelines are written by the American Association of Cheerleading Coaches and Administrators (AACCA). These safety guidelines are much more stringent as to what is allowed by cheerleading squads as far as stunts, building, etc. In the interest of safety, we are now requiring all cheerleading squads to follow the AACCA guidelines. These guidelines are available online and will be distributed to all schools. Cheer coaches have an opportunity to get AACCA certification each year at our Cheer Coaches Conference.
22. Heard Information Regarding a Request that was Granted to Shoot a Cross Country Movie in East Tennessee  

TSSAA was contacted in February concerning the possibility of a Tennessee based motion picture called SOARING EAGLES being shot in East Tennessee during the fall of 2009. A script of the movie was sent to the state office. After reading the script and discussing this information with the individuals in charge, the state office granted permission for the production company to film in East Tennessee using some of our high school cross country runners.

The movie is based on a teen boy runner going blind in the 60s in Tennessee. He spearheads a fight for equality amongst his peers by teaming with an eagle, a visionary coaching mentor, and courageous handicapped runners in a climactic race for survival, redemption, and acceptance.

23. Voted to table the Official's Fees Schedule for the Next Three Years until the August Board Meeting.
24. Voted to deny requiring TMSAA Member Schools to Use Approved TSSAA Local Officials' Associations until the August Board Meeting.
25. Voted to deny request of South-Doyle High School to be placed in Region 2 for Individual Wrestling.
26. Approved the following request from Soddy-Daisy High School Regarding changes in Dual Meet Wrestling Tournament.
  1. Establish a seeding criteria for the State Duals "Large" classification. Allow the newly formed TACA Wrestling Group to determine how this is done.

Denied the following requests from Soddy-Daisy High School regarding wrestling:

  1. Once a wrestler's weight has been established and his decent has been met, he no longer has to meet another decent plan.
  2. Wrestlers be allowed 30 minutes of warm-up time for round of competition at the state tournament.
  3. Go to a double-elimination format for Division I in the individual state tournament. Denied this proposal, and will re-visit the issue next year.
27. Voted to table Division II Committee Request that Track be divided into two classes until the August Board Meeting.
28. Discussed Regional Basketball Sites submitted by District and Regional Coordinators for 2009-10 and 2010-11. All sites will be finalized and presented to the Board during the August meeting.
29. Took no action regarding the use of video replay during Basketball State Championship Games.
30. Heard update on Football Playoff Power Point that will be on the TSSAA website and will explain how teams in the six classes in Division I will qualify for the playoffs and go through step-by-step explaining automatic qualifiers and how wild cards will be determined.
31. Voted to continue using the gold and silver balls for football and basketball trophies for the next two years.
32. Denied request of Macon County High School to be moved from District 10 A/AA to District 8 A/AA.

33. Approved Maryville High School's Appeal regarding Dual Meet Wrestling Tournament Suspension.
34. Approved request of Sacred Heart of Jesus High School for Membership in TSSAA. They are located in Jackson. They plan to compete in cross country and golf and will be placed in Class A, District 15.
35. Approved request of Sequoyah High School in Soddy-Daisy for Membership in TSSAA. At the present time, Sequoyah High School plans to only participate in cooperative programs. They will be placed in Class A, District 5 and in Class A/AA, District 7.
36. Approved request for membership in TSSAA by Concord Christian School. They are a Category 3 school in Knoxville and want to be in Division I and co-op with Christian Academy of Knoxville in individual sports. If approved, they will be in Class A, District 3 and District 4 in A-AA.
37. Heard the Litigation Report
38. Approved request from Memphis Business Academic Charter School for membership in TSSAA.
39. Denied request of Oliver Springs High School for a change in the classification system.