

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MINUTES

March 13, 2008

Murfreesboro, Tennessee

1. Approved Minutes of Last Meeting
2. Old Business

a. Took no action, but agreed to continue study on proposal from Shelby County schools that would add an exception to Article III, Section 15 of the TSSAA Bylaws to make an exception to the forfeiture of contests for the playing of an ineligible player when information has been falsified by a student and/or his/her parents or legal custodian and this could not be determined by reasonable scrutiny of the school.

- b. Approved proposal to add Section 16 to Article III as follows:

If an otherwise ineligible student-athlete provides false information to a member school and is erroneously determined to be eligible and allowed to participate on the basis of that false information, the student shall be ineligible in all sports at any member school for twelve (12) months from his or her last participation date.

- c. Changed Article III, Section 15 to state:

If an ineligible contestant competes in a meet, match, or tournament and any violation of TSSAA eligibility rules occur, all points earned are to be vacated; and in team sports (baseball, basketball, football, girls' soccer, soccer, girls' softball, and girls' volleyball) all wins are vacated.

In vacating wins, each victory is treated as though the games were not played. Opponents still count actual outcomes.

When a team plays an ineligible athlete in TSSAA tournaments or playoffs, all wins are vacated and no team replaces that team in the tournament series.

- d. Changed Sports Calendar, Article IV, Section 8 as follows:

Add five days of off-season practice for basketball following spring dead period, and prior to the end of school.

3. New Business

- a. Changed Article I, Section 9E to state:

“A person who has served as a non-faculty coach may become a head coach in football, basketball, baseball, girls' softball, and track if that person has five or more years of experience as a coach at the TSSAA or TMSAA level and has taken the ASEP Coaches Education Course in a TSSAA-approved course and completed the TSSAA Online Coaches Training Session.”