

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA

MEETING CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY

Tuesday, December 8, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.

(Hearings, Discussion & Final Action)

Bylaws, Article IV, Board of Directors, states:

Section 11: The Board of Directors shall meet at least twice a year, once during the month of September and once during April. Other meetings may be called upon recommendation of the Executive Board or upon petition signed by a majority of the Board of Directors. Notice of any meeting shall be sent by mail to every member of the Board of Directors at least ten days prior to the date of the meeting. Members of the Board of Directors may waive the required written notice for any meeting.

On page 22 of the *KSHSAA Handbook*, under **Rules and Regulations Governing Grades 7-12**, the first paragraph concerning AMENDMENTS reads as follows:

The rules and regulations for grades seven through twelve (grade school, middle school, junior high and senior high) may be amended at any regular or called meeting of the Board of Directors by a majority vote of those present.

In the 1981 legislative session, the following, which applies to unified school districts, was passed:

Any member who abstains from voting shall be counted as voting against the motion or resolution. If a member announces a conflict of interest with regard to the issue, the member may leave the meeting until the voting on the issue is concluded and the member who abstains from voting thereby shall not be counted as having voted. K.S.A. 72-8205.

1. Each Handbook rule is divided into three sections:

Section 1: General Regulations (apply to grades 7-12)

Section 2: Senior High Regulations

Section 3: Middle/Junior High School Regulations (includes students in grades 7 and 8, middle school and junior high)

2. Unless stated otherwise, articles passed by a majority of the members present will become effective upon publication of the minutes.

- 1. Call to Order & Welcome – President**
- 2. Roll Call and Introduction of Members – Executive Director**
- 3. Waiver of 10-Day Written Meeting Notice**
- 4. Public Forum** – *(During the COVID-19 modified meeting format, public forum comments may be submitted by email only, by sending comments to Executive Director Bill Faflick at bfafllick@kshsaa.org, prior to 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2020. Comments should be limited to items on the agenda. The subject line of the email when submitted should read “Board of Directors Public Forum Comments”. In order to be included in the public forum documentation for the Board of Directors, complete contact information (first/last name, street address, city/state/zip, daytime phone number, email) is necessary. Incomplete information will result in the comments not being included in the Board of Directors support material or the meeting minutes.*

5. Pursuant to KSHSAA Handbook **Bylaw VIII, Section 3:**

Sec. 3: In the case of an appeal from a decision of the Board of Directors, notification of such appeal shall be filed within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of such decision. The Appeal Board shall render a written recommendation not later than five (5) days after the close of the hearing, setting forth its findings of fact and recommendation as to the determination of the issues. The Appeal Board may recommend the decision of the Board of Directors be sustained or that such decision be reconsidered and revoked, modified or amended. The Appeal Board may recommend to the Board of Directors proposed amendments or modifications of such decision but the Board of Directors shall not be bound by the recommendations of the Appeal Board. The recommendations of the Appeal Board shall be submitted to the Board of Directors which shall, after considering the recommendations, make a final determination of the matter.

As such, the following decisions from the November 24, 2020 meeting of the Board of Directors were appealed:

For the period of December 1, 2020 through January 28, 2021, no spectators will be admitted/allowed for the KSHSAA sponsored interscholastic high school activities of basketball, bowling, scholars bowl, swimming & diving, and wrestling.

and

For the period of December 1, 2020 through January 28, 2021, no spectators will be admitted/allowed for the KSHSAA sponsored interscholastic middle school activities of basketball, bowling, scholars bowl, and wrestling.

Accordingly, the KSHSAA Board of Directors is asked to receive and consider the following recommendation from the KSHSAA Appeal Board at their December 4, 2020 hearing:

Because masks are already required for attendance at KSHSAA events, and because the science tells us that proper mask wearing and social-distancing effectively mitigate the risk of transmitting COVID-19, and because we believe that for several reasons, parents should attend their children's activities, we propose the KSHSAA Board of Directors be reconvened for the purposes of reconsidering the decisions to prohibit spectators at high school and junior high/middle school events through January 28, 2021 with a recommendation to allow for attendance of one or two parents/guardians per athlete.

Final determination on this matter will result from this meeting.

6. **Next Meeting** -- The next regularly scheduled meeting of the KSHSAA Board of Directors is scheduled Friday, April 30, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. to include hearings, discussion and final action.

7. **Adjournment**