GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE December 11, 2019

A meeting of the State Executive Committee of the Georgia High School Association was called to order at 10:00 a.m., on December 11, 2019, at the Thomaston-Upson County Civic Center by Glenn White, President.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Lisa Moore. The invocation was given by Carror Wright, Associate Director. Roll call by Steve Figueroa, Media Director, showed the following: Present - 63 Absent - 5 (A below)

Greg Tillery	Kevin May	Don Breedlove	Shawn Peek	David Boland - A	Donnie Drew
Evan Horton	Lamarr Glenn	Dexter Wood	Ulysses Hawthorne - A	Jasper Jewell	Michelle Masters
Jim Dorsey	Don Baker - sub	Jeff Battles	James Stanford	Berry Williams	Regina Montgomery
Tonya Sebring	Steven Craft	Jim Finch	James Jackson	Tim Armstrong	Kandice Mitchell - A
Nathan Turner	Geep Cunningham	Eric Parker - sub	Brent Mashburn	John Pinson	Dawn Odom - A
Gary Long	Chris Brown	Jose Fernandez	Jeff Cooper	Jesse Crews	Mike Tenoschok - A
Kirk Barton	David Shields	Jarred Griffis	Joe Lancaster	Chad Griffin	Tony Arasi - sub
Jon Weyher	Shane Ratliff	Britt Adams	Jarrett Luke	Glenn Tidwell	Jason Miller
Kevin Kinsler	Curt Miller	Tommy Marshall - sub	Mike Thompson	Mike Emery	Philip Brown
Earl Etheridge	Bobby Brewington	Michael Dowis	Rex Hodges	Justin Brown	Craig Davis - sub
Garrett Black	Rendell Jackson	Cleve Edwards	Myron Newton	Steve Simpson	Joe Sanfilippo

Motion was made by Turner, seconded by Craft, and unanimously approved to add a "Director's Report" to the agenda. **Motion** was made by Crews, seconded by Simpson, and unanimously approved to adopt the agenda for the meeting.

Motion was made by Crews, seconded by Simpson, and unanimously approved to go into executive session to hear student appeals (Note: appeals were heard in executive session, but all votes were taken after coming out of executive session).

<u>Islands High School</u> - Jason Creager, AD, presented the appeal for student John Achord, requesting a waiver of the eight-semester rule.

Motion by Craft, second by Jewell, to **Approve** the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 41-22 (Roll Call #1 - Yes: Horton, Dorsey, Turner, Long, Barton, Etheridge, Black, May, Glenn, Baker, Craft, Shields, Ratliff, C. Miller, Brewington, R. Jackson, Breedlove, Battles, Fernandez, Marshall, Peek, Stanford, Luke, Thompson, Newton, Jewell, Williams, Armstrong, Pinson, Griffin, Emery, J. Brown, Simpson, Drew, Montgomery, Arasi, J. Miller, P. Brown, Davis, Sanfilippo, White. **No:** Tillery, Sebring, Weyher, Kinsler, Cunningham, C. Brown, Wood, Finch, Parker, Griffis, Adams, Dowis, Edwards, J. Jackson, Mashburn, Cooper, Lancaster, Hodges, Crews, Tidwell, Masters, Moore.)

Beach High School - cancelled

Ware County High School - David Shields, AD, presented the appeal of denial of isolation designation.

Motion by Masters, second by Finch, to **Deny** the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 54-9 (Simpson, Kinsler, Cunningham, Sebring, Wood, Jewell, Luke, Craft and Shields voting No)

Wayne County High School - Ken Cribb, AD, presented the appeal of denial of isolation designation.

Motion by Shields, second by Sebring, to **Approve** the appeal.

MOTION FAILED 9-53-1 (Roll Call #2 - Sebring, Kinsler, Cunningham, Shields, Wood, Fernandez, Armstrong, Pinson and Davis voting **Yes**; Peek abstained)

<u>Blessed Trinity School</u> - Ricky Turner, AD, presented the appeal of denial to move down in classification. **Motion** by Finch, second by Crews, to **Denv** the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 37-26 (Roll Call #3 - Yes: Tillery, Horton, Dorsey, Long, Barton, Etheridge, May, Cunningham, C. Brown, C. Miller, Brewington, Battles, Finch, Parker, Griffis, Adams, Dowis, Edwards, Stanford, J. Jackson, Mashburn, Cooper, Lancaster, Luke, Thompson, Hodges, Newton, Williams, Pinson, Crews, Tidwell, J. Brown, Simpson, Masters, Montgomery, Arasi and P. Brown. **No:** Sebring, Turner, Weyher, Kinsler, Black, Glenn, Baker, Craft, Shields, Ratliff, R. Jackson, Breedlove, Wood, Fernandez, Marshall, Peek, Jewell, Armstrong, Griffin, Emery, Drew, J. Miller, Davis, Sanfilippo, White, Moore.)

<u>Calhoun High School</u> - Brock Holley, AD, presented the appeal of denial to move down in classification.

Motion by C. Miller, second by Griffin, to **Deny** the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 60-2-1 (Roll Call #4 - Wood and Drew voting No; Mashburn abstained)

Woodward Academy - Jose Fernandez, AD, presented the appeal of denial to move down in classification.

Motion by Finch, second by Crews, to **Deny** the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 54-9 (Wood, Jewell, Fernandez, Weyher, Craft, J. Miller, Marshall, Ratliff and Sebring voting No)

<u>Brooks County High School</u> - Charles Perry, AD, presented the appeal of denial to make a lateral transfer from Region 1 to Region 2 in Class A Public.

Motion by Pinson, second by Shields, to Approve the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 33-30 (Roll Call #5 - Yes: Tillery, Dorsey, Sebring, Barton, Kinsler, Black, May, Baker, Cunningham, C. Brown, Shields, Brewington, Breedlove, Wood, Parker, Fernandez, Griffis, Marshall, Dowis, Edwards, Mashburn, Cooper, Luke, Jewell, Williams, Armstrong, Pinson, Montgomery, Arasi, J. Miller, P. Brown, Davis and Sanfilippo. No: Horton, Turner, Long, Weyher, Etheridge, Glenn, Craft, Ratliff, C. Miller, R. Jackson, Battles, Finch, Adams, Peek, Stanford, J. Jackson, Lancaster, Thompson, Hodges, Newton, Crews, Griffin, Tidwell, Emery, J. Brown, Simpson, Drew, Masters, White and Moore.)

Jesse Crews then asked the chair for a re-vote on the proposal, which the chair granted:

MOTION PASSED 36-27 (Roll Call #6 - Yes: Tillery, Dorsey, Sebring, Turner, Barton, Kinsler, Black, May, Glenn, Baker, Cunningham, C. Brown, Shields, Brewington, R. Jackson, Breedlove, Wood, Parker, Fernandez, Griffis, Marshall, Dowis, Edwards, Mashburn, Cooper, Luke, Jewell, Williams, Armstrong, Pinson, Montgomery, Arasi, J. Miller, P. Brown, Davis and Sanfilippo. **No:** Horton, Long, Weyher, Etheridge, Craft, Ratliff, C. Miller, Battles, Finch, Adams, Peek, Stanford, J. Jackson, Lancaster, Thompson, Hodges, Newton, Crews, Griffin, Tidwell, Emery, J. Brown, Simpson, Drew, Masters, White and Moore.)

<u>Dalton High School</u> - Jeff McKinney, AD, presented the appeal of denial to make a lateral transfer.

Motion by Montgomery, second by C. Miller, to Deny the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 56-6-1 (Glenn, Breedlove, Davis, Peek, Cooper and White voting No; Adams abstained.)

Shiloh High School - Robert Wilson, AD, presented the appeal of denial to move down in classification.

Motion by Barton, second by Jewell, to **Approve** the appeal.

MOTION PASSED 62-1 (Cunningham voting No)

NEW BUSINESS:

Proposal to accept and ratify the region alignments for the 2020-22 school years with the modifications of Brooks County moving from Region 1 to Region 2 in Class A Public, and Shiloh moving from Region 4 in Class 7A to Region 8 in Class 6A. **Motion** by C. Miller, second by Finch, to **Approve** the proposal.

MOTION PASSED (unanimously) NOTE: See Attachment for the finalized region alignments.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Dr. Robin Hines thanked the members of the Reclassification Committee for all the hard work they put in to get the 2020-22 alignments finished. He then asked the members of the Executive Committee to go back to their respective schools and stress good sportsmanship, as the basketball ejections and technical fouls are running about 10% ahead of this time last season. He also stressed again the importance of the committee members working with their state legislators to develop better relationships.

Motion by Crews, second by Simpson, to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION PASSED (unanimously)**

AAAAAAA (45)

(* Schools Not Playing Football)

1-AAAAAAA (4) **2-AAAAAAA** (5) 3-AAAAAAA (6) 4-AAAAAAA (5) Campbell Harrison Brookwood Camden County East Coweta Colquitt County Hillgrove Grayson Lowndes McEachern Marietta Newton Tift County Newnan North Cobb Parkview Pebblebrook North Paulding South Gwinnett Walton

6-AAAAAAA (7) 5-AAAAAAA (6) 7-AAAAAAA (7) Alpharetta Denmark Archer Cherokee Forsyth Central Berkmar Etowah Gainesville Discovery Milton Lambert Duluth Roswell North Forsyth Dunwoody South Forsyth Meadowcreek Woodstock West Forsyth Norcross

8-AAAAAA (5)
Collins Hill
Mill Creek
Mountain View
North Gwinnett
Peachtree Ridge

AAAAAA (56)

1-AAAAAA (4) Houston County Lee County

Northside, Warner Robins Valdosta

2-AAAAAA (7) **Bradwell Institute** Brunswick Effingham County Glynn Academy Richmond Hill South Effingham Statesboro

3-AAAAAA (6) Alcovy Evans

Grovetown Heritage, Conyers Lakeside, Evans Rockdale County

(* Schools Not Playing Football) **4-AAAAAA** (7) Hughes

Lakeside, DeKalb Lovejoy Morrow

North Atlanta Tucker Westlake

5-AAAAAA (8) Alexander Carrollton Dalton **Douglas County**

East Paulding Paulding County Rome

South Paulding

6-AAAAAA (9) Allatoona Kell

Kennesaw Mountain Lassiter

Osborne Pope South Cobb Sprayberry Wheeler

7-AAAAAA (8) Cambridge Centennial Chattahoochee Creekview Johns Creek River Ridge Riverwood Sequoyah

8-AAAAA (7)

Buford

Central Gwinnett

Dacula

Habersham Central

Lanier Shiloh

Winder-Barrow

AAAAA (59)

(* Schools Not Playing Football)

1-AAAAA (5) Coffee Veterans Ware County Warner Robins Wayne County

2-AAAAA (7) Griffin Harris County McIntosh Northgate

Northside, Columbus

Starr's Mill Whitewater

Villa Rica

3-AAAAA (8) 4-AAAAA (8) Banneker Dutchtown Creekside Eagle's Landing Drew Jones County Forest Park Locust Grove Jonesboro Ola

Mundy's Mill Stockbridge Tri-Cities Union Grove

Woodland, Stockbridge Woodward Academy

5-AAAAA (10) Chamblee Clarkston Cross Keys Decatur Lithonia M. L. King Northview

Southwest DeKalb

St. Pius X Stone Mountain 6-AAAAA (7) 7-AAAAA (6) **Blessed Trinity** Chapel Hill Grady Calhoun Jackson, Atlanta Cartersville Lithia Springs Cass New Manchester Hiram North Springs

Woodland, Cartersville

8-AAAAA (8) Apalachee Clarke Central Eastside Greenbrier Jackson County Johnson, Gainesville

Loganville Walnut Grove

AAAA (54)

(* Schools Not Playing Football)

1-AAAA (6) 2-AAAA (9) Bainbridge Carver, Columbus Cairo Columbus Dougherty Hardaway Monroe Jordan Thomas County Central Kendrick Westover LaGrange Shaw Spencer **Troup County**

3-AAAA (4)
Benedictine
Baldwin
Islands
Jenkins
New Hampstead
Baldwin
Howard
Howard
Perry
Rutland
Spalding
West Laurens
Westside, Macon

5-AAAA (7)
Fayette County
Hampton
Luella
McDonough
Mt. Zion, Jonesboro
North Clayton
Riverdale

6-AAAA (7)
Arabia Mountain
Druid Hills
Hapeville
Marist
Mays
Miller Grove
Stephenson

7-AAAA (7)
Cedartown
Central, Carroll
Heritage, Catoosa
Northwest Whitfield
Pickens
Ridgeland
Southeast Whitfield

8-AAAA (7)
Cedar Shoals
Chestatee
East Hall
Flowery Branch
Jefferson
Madison County

North Oconee

AAA (59)

1-AAA (5)
Appling County
Brantley County
Long County
Pierce County
Tattnall County

2-AAA (8)
Americus-Sumter
Central, Macon
Crisp County
Jackson
Mary Persons
Peach County
Pike County
Upson-Lee

3-AAA (8)
Beach
Groves
Johnson, Savannah
Liberty County
Savannah

Savannah Arts Academy* Southeast Bulloch Windsor Forest (* Schools Not Playing Football)

4-AAA (7)
Burke County
Cross Creek
Harlem
Hephzibah
Morgan County
Richmond Academy
Thomson

5-AAA (8)
Carver, Atlanta
Cedar Grove
Douglass, Atlanta
Greater Atlanta Christian

Redan Salem

Sandy Creek Westminster 6-AAA (9)
Adairsville
Coahulla Creek
LaFayette
Lakeview-Ft. Oglethorpe

Murray County
North Murray
Ringgold
Rockmart

Sonoraville

7-AAA (8)
Cherokee Bluff
Dawson County
East Forsyth (2021-22)
Gilmer
Lumpkin County
North Hall
West Hall

White County

8-AAA (6)
East Jackson
Franklin County
Hart County
Monroe Area
Oconee County
Stephens County

AA (60)

1-AA (6)
Berrien
Cook
Early County
Fitzgerald
Thomasville
Worth County

2-AA (7)
Bacon County
East Laurens
Jeff Davis
Swainsboro
Toombs County
Vidalia

Vidalia Woodville-Tompkins* 3-AA (7)
Bleckley County
Dodge County
Lamar County
Monticello
Northeast
Southwest

Washington County

(* Schools Not Playing Football)

4-AA (11) Butler

Davidson Fine Arts* Glenn Hills Jefferson County Johnson, Augusta*

Josey Laney

Oglethorpe County
Putnam County

Technical Career Magnet* Westside, Augusta

5-AA (5)
Bremen
Callaway
Haralson County
Heard County
Temple

6-AA (12)
Columbia
Coretta Scott King Academy*
Elite Scholars Academy*
KIPP Atlanta Collegiate
Lovett
McNair
Pace Academy
South Atlanta
Stilwell Arts*
Therrell
Towers

Washington

7-AA (7)
Chattooga
Coosa
Dade County
Fannin County
Gordon Central
Model
Pepperell

8-AA (5)
Banks County
Elbert County
Rabun County
Riverside Military
Union County

A Public (83)

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1-A Public (12)
Baconton
Baker County*
Calhoun County
Miller County
Mitchell County
Pataula Charter
Pelham

Quitman County*
Randolph-Clay
Seminole County
Terrell County
Webster County*

5-A Public (11)

2-A Public (8)
Atkinson County
Brooks County
Charlton County
Clinch County
Echols County*
Irwin County
Lanier County
Turner County

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3-A Public (11)
Bryan County
Claxton
Emanuel County Institute
Jenkins County
McIntosh County Academy
Metter
Portal
Savannah Classical Academy*
Savannah Early College*

Screven County

Steam Academy*

4-A Public (9)
Dooly County
Dublin
Hawkinsville
Johnson County
Montgomery County
Telfair County
Treutlen
Wheeler County
Wilcox County

Central, Talbotton
Chattahoochee County
Furlow Charter*
Greenville
Macon County
Manchester
Marion County
Rainey-McCullers*
Schley County
Stewart County
Taylor County

6-A Public (12)
Armuchee
Atlanta Classical*
B.E.S.T Academy
Bowdon
DeKalb School of the Arts*
Drew Charter School*
Fulton Leadership Academy*
Georgia School for Deaf*
Gordon Lee
Morris Innovative*
Mt. Zion, Carroll
Trion

7-A Public (11)
ACE Charter
Crawford County
Georgia Academy for Blind*
Georgia Military College
Glascock County
GSIC*
Hancock Central
Taliaferro County*
Twiggs County
Warren County
Wilkinson County

8-A Public (9)
Barrow*
Commerce
Greene County
Lake Oconee Academy*
Lincoln County
Social Circle
Towns County
Washington-Wilkes
Woody Gap*

A Private (53)

1-A Private (6)
Deerfield-Windsor
First Presbyterian
Mount de Sales Academy
Stratford Academy
Strong Rock Christian
Tattnall Square Academy

2-A Private (10)
Atlanta Jewish Academy*
Ben Franklin Academy*
Eagle's Landing Christian
Greenforest Christian*
Landmark Christian
Our Lady of Mercy
Paideia*
Southwest Atlanta Christian*
W. D. Mohammed*
Whitefield Academy

3-A Private (5)
Aquinas
Calvary Day School
Savannah Christian
Savannah Country Day
St. Vincent's Academy*

4-A Private (4)
Brookstone
Heritage, Newnan
St. Anne-Pacelli
Trinity Christian

(* Schools Not Playing Football)

5-A Private (7)
Atlanta International*
Galloway*
Hebron Christian Academy
Holy Innocents'
Mount Vernon
Providence Christian
Wesleyan

6-A Private (9)
Brandon Hall*
Fellowship Christian
King's Ridge
Lakeview Academy
Mt. Bethel Christian*
Mt. Pisgah Christian
Pinecrest Academy
St. Francis
Weber School*

7-A Private (6)
Christian Heritage
Darlington
Excel Christian*
Mt. Paran Christian
North Cobb Christian
Walker

8-A Private (6)
Athens Academy
Athens Christian
George Walton Academy
Loganville Christian
Prince Avenue Christian
Tallulah Falls*

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