

GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

GHSA BOARD OF TRUSTEES February 27, 2017

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Georgia High School Association was called to order at 10:00 a.m., on February 27, 2017, at the GHSA office in Thomaston, by President Glenn White.

Present - 8 (Glenn White, Jesse Crews, Tommy Stringer, Don Corr, Gary Long, Benjy Rogers, Jim Finch and Joe Lancaster)

Absent - 2 (Lisa Moore Williams, Wes Taylor)

BUSINESS

White addressed the board regarding recent legislation that could affect the future of the GHSA and several of the board members spoke to this issue.

Motion by Crews, seconded by Rogers, to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters.
The motion was approved unanimously.

During executive session, the Trustees discussed the pending legislation in the house and senate and the offer by the sponsors of the bills to withdraw the legislation if Executive Director Gary Phillips resigned. Executive Director Phillips advised the trustees that, for the good of the GHSA and the schools it represented, and in order to stop the proposed legislation, he would agree to retire at the end of the 2016-2017 school year upon the condition that the GHSA honor his contract and the benefits due him thereunder through the remainder of the 2017-2018 school Year.

Upon motion of Benjy Rogers and second of Jesse Crews, the trustees unanimously voted to come out of executive session.

After the Trustees resumed the open meeting, Glenn White proposed by motion that the Trustees recommend to the GHSA Executive Committee that it accept the Executive Director's offer to retire at the end of the 2016-2017 school year upon the condition that the GHSA honor his contract and the benefits due him thereunder through the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.

The question will be presented to the GHSA Executive Committee at a special called meeting to be held on March 6, 2017 at 10:00 a.m., at the Thomaston-Upson County Civic Center in Thomaston, Georgia.

Motion passed 5-3 (**yes:** White, Crews, Corr, Long & Rogers; **no:** Stringer, Finch & Lancaster)

There being no further business, Glenn White adjourned the meeting.