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June 1954

OFFICIAL NO. 280

Non-Commercial Educational

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

W I S U (Ltr. 7-10-64)

Date first licensed FEBRUARY 4, 1965

Call letters XWVIS

Station location Terre Haute, Indiana

Indiana State University Board of Trustees (BMLED-4-27-65)

Name of licensee X INDIANA STATE COLLEGE BOARD

Gillum Hall, 436 North 6th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana (PED 8-4-80)
X918 Ohio St., Terre Haute, Ind. (MPED 4-30-64)(LED 2-4-65)

Transmitter location X 6th and Sycamore, Terre Haute, Indiana (BPED 10-11-62)

Main studio location 217 North 6th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana (BPED 10-11-62)(LED 2-4-65)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPED-533 HAAT: 130'	10-11-62	89.7mc	TPO: 250w ERP: 310w	U	12-11-62 to 6-11-63
CP for a new non-commercial educational broadcast station.					
BMPED-412 (1)	4-17-63	Mod. of CP (BPED-533) for extension of completion date to 12-11-63			
BPED-440 (2)	2-5-64	Mod. of CP (BPED-533 as mod) to extend completion date to 6-11-64.			
BMPED-450 (3)	4-30-64	Mod. of CP (BPED-533, as mod.) to chg. ant.-trans. loc.; chg. type trans. (RCA BTF-3B); chg. type ant. (Gates FMA-5A, 5 secs.); and incr. TPO to 3kw, ERP to 11.5kw & HAAT to 360'			
BMPED-454 (4)	6-10-64	Mod. of CP (BPED-533, as mod.) for ext. of completion date to 9-28-64.			
BPED-460 (5)	10-22-64	Mod. of CP (BPED-533 as mod) to extend completion date to 1-1-65			
BLED-461 HAAT: 360'	2-4-65	89.7mc	ERP: 11.5kw Ch. #209 TPO: 3kw	Unl. (RC)	2-4-65 8-1-67
Lic. to cover CP (BPED-533, as mod.) which auth. a new Non-Com. Educ. FM broadcast station.					
BMLD-34 (1)	4-27-65	Mod. of license to change name to Indiana State University Board of Trustees.			
BRED-280	7-18-67	89.7mc	ERP: 11.5kw TPO: 3kw	U (RC)	8-1-67 to 8-1-70
Renewal of NDEA					
BRED-280(S)	7-30-70	RENEWAL & NDEA			
EBSA					
BRED-280(S)	7-31-73	RENEWAL			
BRED-280	9-23-76	Renewal of License			
BPED-2504 HAAT: 370' (h&v) (L)	6-13-77	89.7 mhz #209	ERP: 10.5kw (h&v) (RC)	U	6-13-77 to 8-1-78
CP install new Trans; new Ant; chg TPO & HAAT; modulation monitor and transmission line.					

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June 1975

CARD #2

NON-CML-EDUC_FM

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Station location Terre Haute, Indiana

Name of licensee SEE CARD #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From.. To.
BMPED-1592 (1)	6-27-78	MP(BPED-2504) for ext. of completion date to:			12-20-78
BPED-78112	LAA 2-14-79	CP(BPED-2504) TO REPLACE EXPIRED CP.			8-12-79
BRED-79040 (L)	BYH 7-18-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-82
BPED800519AJ HAAT: 130' (L)	8-4-80	89.7mhz	ERP: 25kw (H)		8-4-81
		CP to mke chgs. in ant. sys., TL, type trans, type ant, Incr ERP Decr HAA			
BLED800929AS HAAT:130' (L)	11-18-80 11-20-80	89.7mhz	ERP:25kW(H)		8-1-82
		License to cover (BPED- 800519AJ) for changes.			
BLED-800929AS (L)	11-20-80	APPLICATION SUPERSEDES AS OF SAME DATE AND FILE NUMBER TO CORRECT GRANT DATE.			8-1-82
COMTEL	8-1-80	YOUR MINOR CHANGE APPLICATION FOR WIWU TERRE, HAUTE, INDIANA BPED-800519AJ HAS BEEN GR. ON AUGUST 1, 1980.			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA (Indiana State College, Terre Haute, Ind.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-533 Rec'd Filed	8-1-62 8-6-62 8-6-62	Construction permit for a new non-commercial educational station to be operated on: Frequency- 89.7mc CH 209 ERP- .312kw (TPO- .250kw) HAAT 130.75 ft Type trans.- Gates FM-250B Type antenna- Gates FM-22 Trans. loc.- 6th & Sycamore, Terre Haute, Ind. Studio loc.- 217 North 6th St., Terre Haute, Ind. Remote Control- same as studio (?) Engr.- Paul Dean Ford	GRANTED	10-11-62
BMPED-412 R & F	3-12-63 3-20-63	Mod. of CP (BPED-533 which auth a new non-comm Ed FM station) for ext. of completion date from 6-11-63 to <small>F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.</small>	GRANTED	4-17-63 to 12-11-63

FORM BC-121 #2
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPED-440 R & F	11-9-63 11-12-63	Mod. of CP (BMPED-533 as mod which auth a new non-comm Ed FM station) for ext. of completion date from 12-11-63 to _____.	GRANTED to	2-5-64 6-11-64
BMPED-450 R & F	2-27-64 3-2-64	Mod. of CP (BMPED-533 as mod which auth a new non-comm Ed FM station) to chg ant-trans loc to 918 Ohio St., Terre Haute, Ind. (WTHI-TV site), chg type trans (HCA-BTF-3B), chg type ant (Gates-FMA-5A, 5 sect), incr EHP to 11.30kw, incr TPO to 3kw and incr HAAT to 371'.	GRANTED	4-30-64
BMPED-454 R & F	5-8-64 5-11-64	Mod. of CP (BMPED-533 as mod which auth a new non-comm Ed FM station) for ext. of completion date from 6-11-64 to _____.	GRANTED	6-10-64 to 9-28-64
BMPED-460 R&F	9-25-64 9-28-64	Mod of CP (BMPED-533 as mod which auth a new non-comm ed FM station) for ext of comple date from 9-28-64 to 10-28-64.	GRANTED	10-22-64 to 1-1-65

FORM BC-121 #3
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Name INDIANA STATE COLLEGE BOARD
TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLED-461 h&f	11-3-64 11-4-64	License to cover CP (BPED-533 as modified) which authorized a new non commercial educational FM broadcast station.	GRANTED	2-4-65
BMLED-34 R&F	4-2-65 4-9-65	Modification of license to change name of licensee to Indiana State University Board of Trustees.	GRANTED	4-27-65
PETITION FOR SHOW CAUSE		ORDER filed 1-21-66 by Pierson, Ball & Dowd for WISU		
BRED-280 R & F	4-21-67 5-1-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-18-67
BRED-280 R & F PN PRESS	5-1-70 5-4-70 5-4-70 JUN 8 1970	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-30-70

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September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED-280 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JUN 1 1973	4-21-73 5-3-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	7-31-73
BRED-280 R & F P.N. Press	3-29-76 3-31-76 3-31-76 MAY 24 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	Granted	9-23-76
BPED-2504 R & F PRESS JUN 2 1977	4-19-77 4-22-77	CP install new Trans {COLLINS 831E-2}; Antenna {COLLINS, G4-CPM-5, 5 sects}; chg TPO; HAAT {371 feet}; modulation monitor and transmission line Atty-- Engr--	GRANTED CANCELLED (Req. of applicant)	6-13-77 cond'l w/ ref. to program tests 9-28-79

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

89.7mhz.

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Terre Haute, Indiana

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPED-1592 R & F PRESS: JUN 6	5-12-78 5-18-78 1978	MP (BPED-2504) for extension of time to: (FOR CHANGES) Atty:-----	GRANTED TO CANCELLED	6-27-78 12-20-78 9-28-79
BPED781121AA PRESS DEC 5 1978		Construction Permit to Replace Expired Permit (BPED-2504).	GRANTED CNACELLED	3-15-79 9-28-79
BRED 790403 PRESS APR 13 1979	YH--	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	<i>Gr.</i> Gr.	<i>7-18</i> 7-18-79

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

89.7MHz.

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Name: INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Station Location: TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BPED800519AJ PRESS (0)	JUN 17 1980	CP to make chgs. in Ant. Sys.; chg. TL to: Gillum Hall, 436 N. 6th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana; chg. type Trans.; chg. type Ant. (GATES (HARRIS) FMA-5B, 5 sects.); incre. ERP: 24.96kw; decre. HAAT: 156' & chg. TPO. 39° 28' 16" 87° 24' 37"	GRANTED 8-4-80
BLED-800929AS PTA PRESS	OCT 22 1980	License to cover (BPED-800519AJ) for changes. Atty:---	GRANTED 11-20-80

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About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

