

WKSU - 3M

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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CARD #1
OFFICIAL NO. 66

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM

Date first licensed 10-9-50

Call letters WKSU-FM
LOCATION: KENT, OHIO

Name of licensee KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Transmitter location East Main St at Horning Road, Kent, Ohio (BPED 12-20-61)
 South Lincoln at Summit, Kent, Ohio

Main studio location East Main Street at S. Lincoln Street, Kent, Ohio (PED-3-5-73)
Music Speech Center, East Main St. at Horning Rd., Kent, Ohio (BPED 12-20-61)
 Same

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Mcs. Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BPED-148	4-12-50	88.1	10 watts	T.P.O. U	By 6-12-50 To 12-12-50
C. P. for Non-Commer. Educat. station (FM)					
BLED-80	10-9-50	Same	Same	Same	To 6-1-52
License to cover C. P. (BPED-148)					
BSED-66	5-29-52	Ext. of license to			9-1-52
BRFD-66	7-2-52	Renewal of license to			6-1-54
BRED-66	6-16-54	RENEWAL OF LICENSE TO			10-1-55
BRED-66	10-12-55	Renewal of license to			10-1-58 S
BRED-66	10-8-58	Renewal of license to			10-1-61
BPED-467	12-20-61	Construction permit to chg freq; power; HAAT; chg. antenna-trans. & studio location; operate trans. by remote control from studios; & install new trans. & antenna.			
		89.7mc CH 209	7.5kw TPO 1kw	U HAAT 320'	2-20- 8-20-62 (RC)
BLED-362	10-26-62	89.7mcs	7.5kw	U	10-26 10-1-64
HAAT: 320ft.	Lic. to cover CP (BPED-467) which auth. a chg. in freq, TPO, ERP, ant-trans. loc, studio loc, RC and instl. new trans & ant. & HAAT.				
CH: 209					
BRED-66	9-30-64	Renewal of License			10-1 10-1-67
BRED-66	9-11-67	Renewal of License			10-1 10-1-70
BRED-66	9-30-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			10-1-73
BSCA	5-15-72				
BSCA-1213	11-17-72	SCA	67 kilohertz		
BPED-1469	3-5-73	89.7mhz.	ERP: 7.5kw(H&V)		3-5-74
HAAT: 320' (H&V)		#209	Class E	(RC)	
		CP install new trans., ant., chg. TPO, ERP, HAAT, chg. SL & RC Loc.			
BMPED-1016	8-16-73	MP (BPED-1469) chg. trans., ant., TPO.			
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BMSCA-342	9-10-73	Mod. of SCA make chgs, in equipment & programming.			
BRED-66(S)	10-11-73	RENEWAL & SCA			10-1-76
BRSCA-1213	"	"			"

BC-126
February 1974

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Transmitter location

Main studio location

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BPED-1,820 (L) HAAT: 320' (H&V)	6-12-74	CP to replace expired CP 89.7mhz	ERP: 7.5kw (H&V)	RECORDS RC	(BPED-1469) 6-12-75
BLED-1403(L)	6-18-75	Lic. (BPED-1820)		Changes	10-1-76
BMSCA-458	10-7-76	Mod of	SCA	chg programming	
BRED-66(S)	9-15-76	Renewal of license			10-1-79
BRSCA-1213	"	Renewal of SCA			"
BPED781016AN (L) HAAT: 390' (H&V)	10/9/79	89.7mhz	ERP: 50kw (H&V)		10/9/80
		CP to install new trans, ant. sys., ERP and HAAT.			
BRED790601CC	9-21-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			10-1-82
BLED-800714AA (L) HAAT: 390' (H&V)	7-23-80	License to cover (BPED- 781016AN) for changes. 89.7mhz	ERP: 50.0kW (H&V)		10-1-82

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(P. O. East Main at South Lincoln, Kent, Ohio)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EPED-148 Rec'd. Filed	12-2-49 12-6-49 12-6-49	Construction permit for a new Non-Commercial Educational FM broadcast station. Frequency: 88.1 Mcs. Channel 201 Operating Power: 10 watts Transmitter: S. Lincoln at Summit, Kent, Ohio (REL 706 Max. 10 watts) Studio: Same	GRANTED	4-12-50
ELSD-80 Rec'd & Filed	9-25-50 9-28-50	License to cover the above.	GRANTED	10-9-50
BRED-66 Rec'd & Filed	5-28-52 5-29-52	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-2-52
BRED-66 Rec'd. & Filed	5-25-54 5-27-54	Renewal of license	GRANTED	6-16-54
BRED-66 Rec'd & filed	9-26-55 9-29-55	Renewal of license	GRANTED	10-12-55

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRED-66 Rec'd Filed	9-17-58 9-22-58 9-22-58	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	10-8-58
BPED-467 Rec'd Filed	4-11-61 4-17-61 4-17-61	Construction permit to change frequency from 88.1mc CH 201 to 91.9mc CH-220 to ERP 7.476kw; specify HAAT 320 ft; change antenna-trans. & studio location from South Lincoln at Summit, Kent, Ohio to East Main Street at Horning Road, Kent, Ohio; operate trans. by remote control from East Main Street at Horning Road, Kent, Ohio; install new antenna (MOBLEY MM-8, 8 section) and new transmitter (GATES FM 1B)	GRANTED	12-20-61 89.7mc CH 209 ERP: 7.5kw TPO 1kw HAAT 320' (RC)
AMENDMENT R & F	6-20-61 6-26-61	AMENDED to change frequency to 89.7mc CH 209; change ERP to 7.545kw; specify studio & remote control location as "Music Speech Center, East Main Street at Horning Road, Kent, Ohio".		

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BLED-362 R & F	7-17-62 7-19-62	Lic. to cover CP (BPED-467) which auth a chg in freq, TPO, ERP, ant-trans loc, studio loc, RC, install new trans & ant. & HAAT	GRANTED	10-26-62
BRED-66 R & F	8-21-64 8-24-64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-30-64
BRED-66 R & F	6-30-67 7-3-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-11-67
BRED-66 R & F P.N.	7-9-70 7-13-70 7-13-70 AUG 6 1970	Renewal of License	GRANTED	9-30-70

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89.7mhz

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BPED-1,469 R & F No Fee Required Press	8-15-72 8-20-72 9-20-72	CP to install a new trans. (CCA Electronics FM-3000D-DS); install new ant. (CCA Electronics FMC-LP-6, 6 sections); chg. TPO; ERP: 7.5KW (H&V) and HAAT: 320' (H&V); chg. SL & RC to: East Main Street at S. Lincoln Street, Kent, Ohio.	GRANTED	3-5-73
BSCA-1,213 R & F No Fee Required Press	9-24-72 9-28-72 10-18-72	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 kilocycles.	GRANTED	11-17-72
BRND-66 BRSCA-1213 R & F PN PRESS	6-15-73 6-15-73 7-2-73 7-2-73 AUG 10 1973	Renewal of License Renewal of SCA AMENDED 7-6-73 re: Ascertainment of community needs and interests	GRANTED	10-11-73
BMSCA-342 R & F No Fee Required Press	7-15-73 7-19-73 AUG 10 1973	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make changes in equipment and programming.	GRANTED	9-10-73

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BMPED-1,016 R & F No Fee Required Press	7-15-73 7-19-73 AUG 10 1973	MP (BPED-1,469) chg. trans. (RCA BTF-5E2); chg. ant. (RCA BFH-4A, 4 sects.); and chg. TPO.	GRANTED	8-16-73
BPED-1,820 R & F No Fee Required Press	4-30-74 5-3-74 JUN 4 1974	CP to replace expired permit (BPED-1,469).	GRANTED	6-12-74
BLEP-1403 R & F PTA PRESS	5-8-75 5-14-75 5-21-75 JUN 9 1975	Lic.(BPED-1820)-Changes.	GRANTED	6-18-75
BMSCA-45B R & F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS	7-6-76 7-9-76 AUG 5 1976	Mod. of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make changes in programming Atty-----	GRANTED	10-7-76

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BRED-66	5-28-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	9-15-76
BRSCA-1213	5-27-76	RENEWAL OF SCA		
R & F	6-1-76			
PN Recd. PRESS	" 833-76			
<u>BPED781016AN</u> FILED PRESS:	FEB 9 1979	Construction permit to install new type trans (HARRIS FM-20K); ant(HARRIS FMD-4B, 4 sections (H&V); make chgs in ant sys(incr hght); chg ERP: 50KW(H&V) and HAAT: 387.1'(H&V) ATTY: Daniel Toohey ENGR:----- enr(site info)	GRANTED	10/9/79
AMENDED	3-9-79			
BRED 790601 CC BRSCA " PRESS AUG 14 1979		RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA	GRANTED	9-21-79

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Name: KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Station Location: KENT, OHIO

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BLED-800714AA PTA PRESS	JUL 24 1980	License to cover (BPED-781016AN) for changes. Atty: Earl R. Stanley	GRANTED 7-23-80

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.

