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NON COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-5-74

Call letters WQOX

Station location Memphis, Tennessee

Name of licensee BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMPHIS CITY SCHOOLS

Transmitter location 7192 Raleigh - La Grange Road, Near Memphis, Tennessee (PED-2-23-73)

Main studio location 3333 Cpvington Pk, Memphis, Tennessee (PED-2-23-73)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From- To |
|--------------------------|------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| BPED-1523 HAAT: 690 | 2-23-73 (H&V) | 88.5mhz. #203 | ERP: 2kw (H&V) Class-E | (RC) | 2-23-74 |
| CP for New FM ED Station | | | | | |
| BPED-1523 (1) | 5-8-73 | Call letters assigned. | | | |
| EBSA | 5-10-73 | | | | |
| BPED-1020 (2) | 9-18-73 | MP chg. trans. line, | ERP: 2.15kw | ERP: 510' H&V | |
| BPED-1074 1 | (3) 2-8-74 | MP (BPED-1523, as mod.) ext. time to 6-23-74 | | | |
| BPED-1020 (2) | 9-18-73 | Supersede to ad chg. HAAT: 510' H&V | | | |
| BLED-1240(L) | 6-5-74 | Lic. (BPED-1523, as mod.) | | New | 8-1-76 |
| HAAT: 510' | (H&V) | 88.5mhz., ERP: 2.15kw (H&V) RC | | | |
| BRED-710(S) | 7-30-76 | Renewal of License | | | 8-1-79 |
| BRED-790329UB* S} | 7-18-79 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | | | 8-1-82 |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters W Q O X
XNEW-EDUC-FM

Name Board of Education Memphis City Schools
Memphis, Tennessee (PO 2597 Avery Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38112)

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|---|----------------------|---|---------|---------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BPED-1,523 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS: NOV 1 1972 PN REC'd: 11-24-72 | 10-12-72 10-16-72 | CP for New Educ. FM on: 88.5mc. #203 HAAT: 689' ERP: 2kw Trans: CCA-FM-1000DS; Ant: CCA-FMC-6LP-6secta TL: 7192 Raleigh-La Garange Road, Near Memphis, Tennessee. SL: & RC: 3333 Covington Pike, Memphis, Tenn. 35° 09' 17" - 89° 49' 20" Atty--- Engr--- | GRANTED | 2-23-73 |
| AMENDED AMENDED | 1-11-73 1-18-73 | Article VI. In fro. re: Article VI filed by the School Board. | | |
| BMPED-1020 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS: SEP 11 1973 | 8-8-73 8-16-73 | MP(BPED-1523) make chgs. in transmission line; chg. ERP: 2.14kw & chg. HAAT: 507 ft. Atty--- | GRANTED | 9-18-73 |

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W Q O X

Name Board of Education Memphis City Schools
Memphis, Tennessee

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|---|------------------------------|--|---------------|-------------------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BMPED-1,074 R & F No Fee Required Press JAN 31 1974 | 1-15-74 1-18-74 | MP(BPED-1,523, as mod.) ext. time to 4-23-74. (New Station) | GRANTED to | 2-8-74 6-23-74 |
| BLED-1240 R & F PTA PRESS MAY 20 1974 | 3-18-74 3-21-74 4-3-74 | Lic.(BPED-1523, as mod.) - New Sta. | GRANTED | 6-5-74 |
| BRED-710 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 17 1976 | 3-19-76 3-24-76 " | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | GRANTED | 7-30-76 |
| BRED 790329 UB PRESS APR 26 1979 | | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | GRANTED | 7-18-79 |

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.

