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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

NON COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL FM

Off. No. #49

Date first licensed 2-23-50

Call letters W E P S

LOCATION: ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee BOARD OF EDUCATION, UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #46

Transmister location Corner DuPage & Gifford Sts., Elgin, Illinois

Main studio location same

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPED-135	10-7-49	88.1	10 w.		12-7-49 to 6-7-50
Telegram	1-31-50	Relet 9. Auth. op. using fac. op c. in BPED-135 re FM prog. serv. Notify Comm. when commenced.			gr. period ending 6-7-50
BLED-62	2-23-50	License covering c.p.			2-23-50 to 6-1-51
BSED-49	5-29-51	Extension of license			to 9-1-51
BRED-49	8-29-51	Renewal of license			to 6-1-54 L
BRED-49	5-19-54	RENEWAL OF LICENSE TO			12-1-55
BPED-262	10-29-54	CP chg ant.sys lic.sta.12-29-54 to6-29-55			
BPED-288 make changes in antenna system-88.1mcs.-10W--	12-2-55	CP replace expired BPED-262-			1-2-56 8-2-56
BRED-49	11-2-55	Renewal of license			to 12-1-58 S
WIRE 12-1-55. Auth granted to conduct program tests period 30 days.					
BLED-181	1-6-56	License to cover CP BPED-288.			to 12-1-58
BRED-49	11-25-58	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-61
BPED-421 HAAT: 24'	4-29-60	90.9mcs Ch. 215	380-w TPO:250w	U	6-29 12-29-60
BLED-292 HAAT:24ft.	11-8-60	90.9mcs	364w TOP:250	U	11-8 12-1-61
Lic. to cover cp (BPED-421 as mod) which auth. chg. in freq., incr. power, install new trans. and spec. HAAT as 24'					
BRED-49	11-13-61	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-64
BRED-49	11-30-64	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-67
BRED-49	11-24-67	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-70
EBSA	5-15-72				
BRED-49(L)	5-8-75	Renewal of License			12-1-76
BPED-1359(L) HAAT: 100' CANCELLED 11-19-76	5-8-75	90.9mhz CP chg TPO, ERP, HAAT, trans, ant SHARE TIME WITH BPED-1169, Glen Ellyn, Illinois	ERP: 4.7kw		5-8-76
BMPED-1390(1)	5-12-76	MP(BPED-1359)			ext 11-8-76
BSED-49 (1)	12-22-76	Mod. Lic. to correct hours of operation. to Share Time with WDEB when PT authorized			

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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD
NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL-FM

Date first licensed .....

Call letters .....

Station location .....

Name of licensee ..... SEE CARD ONE .....

Transmitter location ..... SEE CARD ONE .....

Main studio location ..... SEE CARD ONE .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BRED-49(L)	3-25-77		RENEWAL		12-1-79
BRED-790719UA(S)	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1-82

FCC Form 94 CARD #1 APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WEPS

Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #46, ~~ELGIN, ILLINOIS~~
P. O. (353 East Chicago St., Elgin, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPED-135 Rec'd. Filed	8-18-49 8-22-49 8-22-49	Construction permit for a new Non-Commercial Educational FM broadcast station to be operated on Frequency: 88.5 Mcs. Channel 203 Operating Power: 10 watts Transmitter: Corner of DuPage & Gifford Sts., Elgin, Illinois (REL 706 Max. 10 watts) Studio: Same	GRANTED	10-7-49
BLED-62 Recd & Filed	1-24-50 1-26-50	License to cover C.P. (BPED-135) which authorized a new Non-Comm. Educa. FM b/c sta.	GRANTED	2-23-50
BRED-49 Rec'd. Filed	5-15-51 5-21-51 5-21-51	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	8-29-51
BRED-49 Recd. Amend Recd. & filed 5-20-54	5-10-54 5-13-54 5-17-54	Renewal of license. Amended to specify name.	~~Held pending amend. re amend. ltr. 5-14-54~~ GRANTED	5-19-54

CARD 2

FORM A-170
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

FM: Educational
APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WEPS

Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT # 46
Radio Station WEPS, Corner DuPage & Gifford, Elgin, Illinois.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPED-262 Recd. & Filed	9-29-54 10-1-54	C.P. to make changes in licensed station to change antenna system.	GRANTED	10-29-54
BRED-49 Recd & filed	10-24-55 10-27-55	Renewal of license	GRANTED ?	11-9-55
BPED-288 Recd.&Filed	11-15-55 11/18/55	Construction Permit to replace expired permit (BPED-262 which author. changes in Lic. station)	GRANTED	12-2-55
BLED-181 Recd.&Filed	11/15/55 11/18-55	License to cover above (BPED-288)	GRANTED	1-6-56
BRED-49 Red&Filed	8-29-58 9-2-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-25-58

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #46
Elgin, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPED-421 Rec'd Filed	2-25-60 2-29-60 2-29-60	Construction permit to change frequency from 88.1mc CH 201 to 91.3mc CH 217; increase power from TPO 10 watts to ERP 238 watts; install new transmitter (STANDARD ELECTRONICS 930) and specify HAAT of 24 ft.	GRANTED HAAT: ERP:	4-29-60 24' 380-w
AMENDMENT R & F	4-14-60 4-18-60	AMENDED to change frequency to 90.9mc CH 215; change ERP to 380 watts.		
BLED-292 Rec'd Filed	8-3-60 8-5-60 8-5-60	License to cover C.P. (BPED-421 as modified) which authorized change in frequency, inc. in power, install new transmitter and specify HAAT as 24'.	GRANTED	11-8-60
BRED-49 Rec'd Filed	8-31-61 9-5-61 9-5-61	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-13-61
BRED- 49 REC'D Resub. R & F	9-23-64 9-25-64 10-12-64 10-20-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	~~RETURNED~~ ~~SIGNED BY STA MGR.~~ GRANTED	OCT 8 1964 11-30-64

F.C.C. WASHINGTON, D. C.

90.9mc.

FORM BC-121 #4
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT #46
Elgin, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BRED- 49 Rec'd Resub.	8-31-67 9-5-67 9-27-67 SEP 29 1967	Renewal of license	GRANTED	~~RETD: 9-20-67~~ ~~Not dated~~ 11-24-67
BRED-49 Rec'd (logs) Filed PN PRESS OCT 2 1970	8-29-70 9-3-70 9-25-70 9-25-70	Renewal of license AMENDED 11-10-72 re: programming data SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION filed 8-30-73 as amendment to pending renewal application (PN 8-30-73) 17 SEP 1973	Designated for Hearing Min. 11 SEP 1973 / 9820 GRANTED	5-8-75
BPED-1,359 R & F No Fee Required JAN 26 1972 Press PN REC'd: AMENDED	12-14-71 12-30-71 3-31-72 1-15-73	CP to install new trans. (Sparta Electronics Corporation 607A); install new ant. (RCA BTF-5A, 5 sects.); make chg. ant. system (increase height); chg. TPO; ERP: 4.7kw; HAAT:100'. Financial Data.	Designated for Hearing Min. 11 SEP 1973 / 9822 GRANTED COND'L CANCELLED 11-19-76 request of permittee	5-8-75

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

BRED-49 On Sept. 3 program logs were rec'd in the Commission having been separated from the application in the mail. copy of original 303's filed 9-25-70.

PN mailed: 1-24-72.

Form BC-121
September 1969

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

90.9MHz.

Call Letters WEPS

Name Board of Education, Union School District #46
Elgin, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPED-1390 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED PRESS	4-19-76 4-26-76 MAY 3 1976	MP(BPED-1359) ext time to 1-3-77 (For Changes)	GRANTED TO CANCELLED	5-12-76 11-8-76 11-19-76 ~~request of permittee~~
BRED-49 R & F PN PRESS	7-20-76 7-22-76 7-22-76 OCT 6 1976	Renewal of license AMENDED 11-26-76 re: engineering AMENDED 6-6-77 re: programming	GRANTED	3-25-77
BRED 790719 PRESS	UA AUG 24 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-30-79

RECORD OF APPLICATIONS REQUESTING FACILITIES OF BROADCASTING STATION WEPS

Licensee

File No.	Date	Call Letters	Name and Location of Applicant	Remarks	Disposition
					GRANTED 5-8-75
BPED-1,169 Docket 19821	10-26-70	(NEW) WDCB	College of DuPage, District 502	90.9mc. #215 ERP:5kw(h&v) HAAT: 300' TPO: 4.12kw.	

FORM 108-M

Renewal Requested	Date Received	Designated for Hearing	Reason	Remarks

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.