

MINUTES
TASK FORCE TO STUDY FUNDING MECHANISMS
FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TITLE IX PLAN
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

May 17, 1996

Required statutory notice having been given, the Task Force appointed by Chairman Fischer to study the funding mechanisms for implementation of the Title IX plan which was adopted by the Board of Regents on May 1, 1996. The meeting was called to order in the Regents Conference Room of the Wetherby Administration Building on the Western campus by Chairman Earl Fischer, at approximately 9:00 a.m., CDT.

The following members were present:

Ms. Kristen Bale	Mr. Bob Aldridge
Mr. Earl Fischer	Ms. Pam Herriford
Ms. Tara D. Higdon	Dr. Steve White
Ms. Joy Gramling	

Ms. Amy Steinkamp was absent due to an illness.

Also present were Dr. Thomas C. Meredith, President; Mrs. Liz Esters, Staff Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board of Regents, and Mr. Spencer Coates of Baird, Kurtz & Dobson Certified Public Accountants.

The Chairman stressed that the sole purpose of the task force was to study the funding mechanisms for implementation of the Title IX plan which was approved by the Board of Regents and that discussions would be limited to the purpose.

Mr. Spencer Coates of Baird, Kurtz & Dobson Certified Public Accountants presented and discussed a paper entitled , "Title IX Implementation and Analysis of a Proposed Student Athletic Fee." [A copy of the report is filed in the Board's official files and all members of the Board were mailed a copy.]

Mr. Coates cautioned that, "Title IX is sort of a fluid thing, as the Courts determine compliance with that, there will probably have to be changes in your plan. It's nice to put a plan in place and never have to change it, but we all know

that is not realistic. I think you have done a good job with where you've gotten it to so far."

The Task Force heard a review of the Title IX Plan; reviewed the steps necessary to bring the University into compliance; and heard a report on scholarships, and discussed other options for funding.

After discussing the issue for approximately two hours, Mr. Aldridge moved that the task force recommend the implementation of the \$25.00 fee to the full Board. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bale and passed unanimously.

With no further business to come before the task force, adjournment came at approximately 11 a.m.