

# Policy Concept Form

All policy proposals including new policy concepts, recommendations to revise, or requests to repeal must be submitted via this form to the University Secretary. The Secretary will forward completed concept forms to the President's Policy Advisory Council for consideration pursuant to I.03.01 Policy on University Policies. When submitting a policy concept form, please keep the following university definition of "policy" in mind:

*A University Policy ("Policy") is a policy that (1) has broad application or impact throughout the University community, (2) must be implemented to ensure compliance with state or federal law, (3) is necessary to enhance the University's mission, to ensure institutional consistency and operational efficiency, or to mitigate institutional risks; or (4) is otherwise designated by the Board or the President as a University Policy subject to the Policy- Making Process authorized in section 4. A policy establishes rights, requirements or responsibilities. Excluded from this definition are things such as, but not limited to, implementation guides, operating guidelines, internal procedures, and similar management controls and tools.*

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**Policy Subject Matter** (please included existing policy number(s) if available)

Former OUS Policies 30 (Intercollegiate Athletics - Fiscal Policies) and 31 (Intercollegiate Athletics - Statement).

**Statement of Need and Desired Result** (please describe what we accomplish with the proposed action)

These OUS policies are inapplicable and (extremely) outdated. The UO Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is bound by all state laws and UO policies governing fiscal matters, and thus a broad statement from the OUS on fiscal policies specific to athletics (one which is outdated ) is not necessary. The statement, likewise, is outdated and unnecessary is it pertains to broad statements by a board that no longer exists.

**Affected Policy Stakeholders** (please list all known impacted stakeholders and the nature of those impacts)

No one nor any practices are impacted by the repeal of these former OUS policies.

**Proposed Action** (i.e., new, revision, repeal)

Repeal.



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## **REASON FOR POLICY**

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## **ENTITIES AFFECTED BY THIS POLICY**

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## **WEB SITE ADDRESS FOR THIS POLICY**

<http://policies.uoregon.edu/content/intercollegiate-athletics-fiscal-policies>

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## **RESPONSIBLE OFFICE**

For questions about this policy, please contact the Office of the president at (541) 346-3036 [pres@uoregon.edu](mailto:pres@uoregon.edu).

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## **ENACTMENT & REVISION HISTORY**

Became University of Oregon policy by force of law on July 1, 2014.

Adopted by the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, Meeting #552, July 24, 1987, pp. 337-353.

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## **POLICY**

Fiscal policies for intercollegiate athletics were prepared so that they would:

1. Assure that the benefits would accrue to the student athletes through stable financial aid programs.
2. Upgrade the nonrevenue sports by providing the full complement of grants-in-aid (as opposed to partial grants).
3. Give some relief to the dependency on revenue from football and basketball gate receipts, thus reducing the commercial pressure on winning.

The fiscal policies approved by the Board appear below:

1. Division I NCAA football and basketball at the University of Oregon and Oregon State University should continue to be self-sustaining.
2. The institutions were authorized to waive nonresident instructional tuition for student athletes up to the following amounts: \$350,000 each at Oregon State University and the University of Oregon; \$200,000 at Portland State University; and \$25,000 each at Southern Oregon State College, Western Oregon State College, and Oregon Institute of Technology.
3. Authorizations would become effective for the 1987-88 academic year.

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**Intercollegiate Athletics, Fiscal Policies for**

4. The present policies of financial support for the NAIA institutions would be continued.
5. Any System institution proposing a change in level of competition or adding or dropping a sport must have prior approval of the Board.
6. The Board annually would review the intercollegiate athletic fiscal policies and, as resources might be available, consider at the appropriate time tuition waivers for student athletes in all Division I sports.
7. All transfers of funds from student funds to the athletic programs must receive prior Board approval and an annual report must be presented to the Board on the repayment of the transfers.
8. The Board annually will review this program to determine its effectiveness.

(The following was adopted by the Oregon State Board of Higher Education, Meeting #609, May 22, 1992, pp. 303-308.)

In response to the Special Task Force on Athletic Funding report, the Board accepted as presented all recommendations as presented except forgiveness of the accumulated operating deficit, and adopted the following policy regarding funding of intercollegiate athletics at the three universities:

1. Require institutions to impose a surtax on all tickets sold to intercollegiate athletic events to average \$1.00 per ticket, the specific increases on tickets to be determined by the respective athletic departments. Each institution should inform the public that the increase is a surtax to help address the immediate financial crisis in athletic funding. It was understood that negotiations on this matter would be required with the PAC-10 to exempt the surtax from the distribution formula. The outcome of such negotiations are to be reported to the Board.
2. Institutions reduce 1991-92 budgeted athletics expenditures by two percent, and submit athletics operating budgets for 1992-93, 1993-94, and 1994-95 at that same level. To assist the athletic departments in finding ways to operate at these reduced levels, the Board directed the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration to work with the presidents of the three universities and their athletic departments to find ways of reducing costs to the athletic departments in conjunction with the institution-wide process of reorganization and restructuring of the administrative and support functions, as well as cooperation on purchases of goods and services. University athletic departments are to incur no increased deficits; however, expenditures may increase if additional revenues are generated beyond the additional revenue expected from the ticket surtax.
3. Require that athletic departments continue to pay interest on the accumulated operating deficit, but principal payments will be deferred through 1994-95, or until such time that, in the opinion of the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, sufficient resources are available to begin an earlier schedule for repayment of the principal.
4. Support the efforts of members of institution foundations and other organizations raising funds for athletics, as well as those seeking to raise funds from private corporations, and recognize their willingness and public-minded spirit in raising additional private and Sports Lottery support to reduce the burden on general institution funds for the funding of intercollegiate athletics.
5. If operating expenditures exceed revenues in the athletic departments at the three universities after the imposition of a ticket surtax, reduction of the operating expenditures, and the efforts associated with private fund raising, then the institutions are authorized to use institution resources for the support of non-revenue sports.

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**RELATED RESOURCES**