REASON FOR POLICY

Needs to be developed

ENTITIES AFFECTED BY THIS POLICY

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RESPONSIBLE OFFICE

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ENACTMENT & REVISION HISTORY

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

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.
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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.

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 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.

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.

RELATED RESOURCES

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