

Hi Allen –

Sorry this took so long to get back to you. I guess I had trouble letting go of it because there was so much more I would have liked to have said. At the beginning of the interview I was not sure what the theme/goal of your paper was. I should have asked at the very beginning the very question I asked at the end of the interview. I was much too careful with my answers at the beginning. So I feel that you did not get the most earnest if not truthful answers. You got the more “politically correct” version of how things really evolved.

Here is a summary of how I really feel Title IX impacted Women’s Athletics at UW-Eau Claire from 1972 to 1984 (when I left UW-Eau Claire). If it wasn’t for the federal legislation not much would have changed and some days were living hell trying to convince ‘people’ that the women deserved money, qualified coaching, adequate practice time and facilities. In addition to the basics we (I) also had to fight for support services such as laundry, sports information coverage, secretarial assistance and the biggest/hardest struggle of all – release time (FTE-full time equivalency) for time spent coaching any of the women’s teams as well as release time for athletic administration during the academic year as well as during the summer.

Some of my corrections are grammatical in nature. Do not know how much you can change from the actual words that were spoken. I have never seen a verbatim transcript before. It is awful! There were so many incomplete sentences and unfinished thoughts. This was really hard for me to read. So much more could have been said. I really wish I had a chance to this over because I feel that I did not do it justice. I hope it does not negatively influence your paper.

I can hardly wait to see the final paper. Thanks for the opportunity to participate.

Good Luck to you in all your future endeavors, Allen.

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