

Phone Conversation with Fritz Kass from IBS (Intercollegiate Broadcasting System) Regarding AT&T and WXAV/SXU

- Fritz Kass is the CEO of IBS, which is one of college radio's largest organizations which provide assistance/advice to college radio stations.
- Their website: <http://www.collegebroadcasters.us/>
- I spoke with Fritz for about 35 minutes today, and a lot of the advice he provide is in line with what Bill Tennant and Jeremy Ruck have stated. He spoke off the record on the topics below since he is not in the state of Illinois, and isn't completely familiar with all of the new engineering standards.
- His advice is more background from his experience, and how he has seen the FCC operate.
- I explained WXAV's situation with AT&T and below are his thoughts:
 - At the end of the day, WXAV is in full compliance with the FCC. Its license has been renewed. No public complaints. And does community broadcasting. Additionally the report from Jeremy.
 - The FCC would look at who first had "the spot". (Antenna location.) At the end of the day WXAV did.
 - Additionally cell antenna is on SXU property.
 - FCC tends to go more with who had the spot first.
 - The FCC tends to view it as "whoever came 'later' to the spot is mostly responsible for not interfering".
 - Is fairly certain that if the FCC were to be brought in for a ruling, they would "rule" towards WXAV. (Similar to what Jeremy stated in his first response email.)
- For him, the twist comes with SXU's contract with AT&T and the cellphone antenna.
- He would look to see if there's any interference clause in the contract with AT&T that would hold WXAV responsible for interference.
- He also recommends being careful since AT&T is renting the space; they are probably paying the university a large amount of money.