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Title IX Annual Report

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Ms. Johnston:

Sorry for the delay, family death, other school obligations, and the simple fact that it is summer and I am trying to get away delayed my response. While I totally disagree with your findings, <u>Logan County High School</u> will conduct two meetings, in regards to bowling, during the fall 2014-2015 school year, as per your mandate!

Points of contention include: I am not sure how you call 45 responses to a survey significant interest to explore the sport of bowling for students at Logan County High School given the fact that the survey was completed by 1057 students. Yes, I know you used a percentage of respondents to that particular question and not the overall number of responses.....a total different disagreement.

This issue when you look at the data from the survey, continues to point to the validity of the survey. The question asks "Is there a KHSAA Winter sport/sport-activity that you would like to participate in THAT YOU ARE NOT CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN?" Yet the responses list Archery, Basketball and Swimming (All Sports LCHS offers) ahead of Bowling. We all know, whether we admit or not, that the responses listed on this survey can easily be called into question.

While not noted on the Title IX report, I can assure you that this issue was discussed in our meetings. Most notably was the fact that the closest bowling facility to Logan County High School is 30.6 miles away in Bowling Green. It is the only facility in Bowling Green and currently already has the Warren County schools using that facility. In an informal conversation with managers at this facility last spring, they indicated their facility was most likely booked solid. Additionally, the committee discussed cost! True cost should not be a Title IX determining factor but in reality, there are only limited funds available. It is estimated that a single trip to Bowling Green for a bowling event (practice/game) would cost in the neighborhood of \$125-\$150 dollars. The committee asked the simple question in regards to quality over quantity because should we start an additional sport at this time, the money would have to be taken from other sports.

This is not an issue of Logan County High School not showing a history and continuing practice of not meeting the needs of our students as over the years we have done just that, in fact we added bass fishing during the 13-14 school year. Instead it is evidence of a local decision being made based on practical facts in the case (Cost, Travel Time, Facility Availability, etc.) plus the knowledge that a majority of those indicating an interest in