Parking Advisory Council

**MINUTES**

January 21, 2011
1:30 p.m.
Auxiliary Services Conference Room
Building 8, Room 1106

**Members Present:** Everett Malcolm (Chair) Matt Breidenstein, Jeff Durfee, Glenda Kelsey, Marcia Lamkin, Khiresto Salako, Gayle Stillson, Diane Tanner, Mladen Renier, Matthew Yost

**Others Present:** Neal Fisher, Vince Smyth, Josh Freedman

Meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m. by Chair Malcolm

1. **Approval of Minutes:**
   With any changes to the minutes submitted, Chair Malcolm made the motion for the minutes from November 19, 2011 be approved as submitted, seconded by Matt Yost, all in favor, minutes were approved.

2. With the graduation of Mack Volk, Student Body President Sitou Byll-Cataria has appointed Mladen Renier to serve on the Parking Advisory Council.

3. All Recommendations from the November 19th meeting have been approved by Vice President Shuman and supported by President Delaney. Those recommendations will be implemented for the 2011/2012 year.

4. **Restrictions of Specific Groups to Specific Areas for 2011-12**
   - Chair Malcolm outlined the parking decals/lots
     - Residential – Restricted to Housing Lots and Lots 18 & 53 after residential permits are sold out.
       - At the September Parking Council Meeting Paul Riel came to the meeting with a request to change Residential Parking Specifics. The Parking Advisory Council asked him to go back and revisit this issue with the students. He has since withdrawn his request and no changes to Residential Parking are necessary.
     - Reserved – spaces awarded by the President’s office
     - Designated – spaces marked in orange and any other spaces other than 1st floor garage, reserved, restricted or housing (Faculty & Staff only) Designated permits were being sold at a 1.5 ratio. The BOT agreed to increase to 1.6.
     - Garage 1st Floor (Arena & Fine Arts Garage) – all spaces other than Designated, Reserved, restricted, housing
Premium – all spaces other than 1st floor garage, designated, reserved, restricted, housing
Night Premium (5pm till midnight) – all spaces other than, 1st floor garage, designated, reserved, restricted, housing but only after 5pm.
Discounted - Lots 18 & 53 only

Chair Malcolm then opened the floor for discussion:
• Khiresto Salako reminded the council that last year he brought a concern to the board regarding Lot 18. He noted that with more and more traffic in Lot 18 it is getting harder and harder to find a space and feels that Lot 18 should not be available to Housing permit holders as they already have a permit allowing them to park in housing and are guaranteed a parking spot.
• Vince reminded the council that housing permits allow students to also park in Lots 18 & 53 and every permit regardless of price allows parking in Lots 18 & 53.
• It is further suggested that parking services go out during the congested times and survey how many housing students are parked in Lot 18.
• Chair Everett reminded the council that housing students also participate in intramural sports that sometimes can go until 11pm. Would there be an issue of safety when a student has to travel across campus late at night?
• Athletics also may have an effect on the numbers of housing students that park in Lot 18. With teams traveling overnight and for days at a time, they may also be parked in Lot 18 for a longer period of time.
• Mladen asked if cars are ticketed on Saturday & Sunday and Vince replied that no, the only time Parking Service would issue tickets would be in the case of Special Events that required a parking permit.
• Vince also added that as of Tuesday, January 18th the 20 minute spots scattered across campus will not require a parking permit. But be advised that you will be ticketed if you are longer than 20 minutes.

Motion by Jeff Durfee to have Parking services conduct a survey of Housing permit holders parking habits in Parking lot 18 and report back to the council at the next meeting, Seconded by Matt Yost, all in favor, motion passed.

5. **Hierarchy of Permit Sales to Specific Groups 2011-2012**

- **Current Residential students** will have first choice of housing permits for 2011/2012 before new students.
- New residential students will be able to purchase once the current residential students have purchased.
- Faculty & Staff purchase their same permit for 2011/12 sometime in April and also have the ability to upgrade or downgrade their permits.
- The number of credit hours that a commuter student has determines when they can purchase a parking permit:
  • 90+ Credit hours and Grad Students
  • 60+ credit hours and AA transferring students
  • 20+ credit hours
  • All students
• Students are also not allowed to purchase 1st floor garage or designated spaces
• This hierarchy scale has been in place for 3-4 years
• Dates are associated with when parking permits are distributed and those dates are advertised well in advance for students, faculty and staff.
• Matt Yost asked about Semester permits and Vince Smyth replied those permits are sold at a discounted price and are only good for that particular term, but sales are still driven by semester hours.
• Neal Fisher added that they must be registered for classes to purchase a permit.

† Motion by Gayle Stillson to leave the hierarchy as is for the 2011/2012 year, seconded by Mladen Renier, all in favor, motion passed.

6. Other Business:
• Josh Freedman, Associate Justice in Student Government Judiciary asked for a consideration of having parking paid out of Student’s Financial Aid as this is a huge expense for students each semester.
• Vince Smyth replied that this has been discussed a couple of times but there are some significant issues including the fact that not all financial aid can pay for parking permits and that parking software systems do not interface with Banner.
• It was determined that a small sub-group of students from this committee contact Floyd Hurst, University Controller to set up a meeting to discuss the options of Parking being paid using Financial Aid to find out if a program can be written for banner to help distribute Parking Fees from Financial Aid money.
• Vince Smyth informed the Council that with the start of Spring Term, enforcement Monday through Thursday has changed to 8pm instead of 9pm.

Meeting adjourned at 2:11pm. Next meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2011 in the Auxiliary Services Conference Room.