

**Parking Advisory Council**

**Meeting**

**January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Business Services Conference**

**Room Building 8, Room 1106**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Everett Malcolm (Chair), William Mewborne (Vice Chair), William Godwin (Student Government), Ashley Faulkner (Faculty Association), Diana Tanner (Faculty Association), Katrina Willis (USPS Association), Decato Burke (A&P Association), Patrick Moore (A&P Association) and Elisabeth Avilla (Student Government).

**Members Absent:** Glenda Kelsey (USPS Association) and Cole Poppell (Student Government)

**Others Present:** George Androuin (Business and Parking Services), Neal Fisher (Parking Services), and Courtney Manns (Parking Services)

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

**1) Approval to Audio Record Meeting**

- *Everett Malcolm greets and informs the council that the meeting is to be audio recorded and asks if there are any objections to having the meeting audio recorded. There were no objections.*

**2) Approval of minutes from November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

- *Everett Malcolm asks the council if there are any changes that need to be made to the minutes from November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. There were no comments made in regards to the minutes.*

**3) Update on recommendations forwarded to VP Shuman**

*Everett Malcolm informs the council that the president is aware of the recommendations that the council wishes to undergo. Everett also notifies everyone that the president may have additional questions that will be brought to the council's attention at the next PAC meeting on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.*

**Everett Malcolm-** We made a change with the parking structure, we recommended raising the blue

permit fees and lowering the gray permit fees, which concern the president. Where is he concerned is that by raising the blue and lowering the gray permits, it ends up being a \$40 impact with faculty and staff. We received a \$95 stipend for parking, which then enables faculty and staff to have free parking to gray areas at no cost to them. It really becomes a \$40 impact to faculty and staff as well for when they want to be able to purchase a blue permit. It's also a direct impact on our students because if a student desires a closer parking spot, they will have to pay more in parking than what they normally pay now. The president just asks for more time in making his decision. Do we have data we can supply him in regards to where students would like to park? Now, I haven't spoken directly to the president, I am just paraphrasing. I've had a couple of conversations with Shari and that is the kind of sense that I received. Hopefully by February 3<sup>rd</sup> I will have more answers to inform the rest of the council in regards to our recommendations. Are there any questions or concerns?

*-Silence-*

#### **4) Update on Lot Counts**

**Everett Malcolm-** At our November meeting we had dialog in regards to exchanging parking spots between faculty/staff spots and blue spots. It was for lot 2 in exchanged for the first level of garage 44. To make sure the numbers truly reflect accuracy, Neal and his team will begin lot counts on Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, so that when we come back on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will have that accurate data in front of us in order to guide us in making the right decision. Are there any questions on that?

**George Androuin-** I have a comment on that. We went back and did a lot count to find out how many faculty were parking in the blue spaces and we found two or three parking there. So the idea that faculty/staff are taking the blue spots are not accurate as what we previously thought. Also the parking upstairs is very minimal with faculty/staff.

#### **5) Discussion on Restrictions of specific groups to specific areas for 2017/2018**

**Everett Malcolm-** Reserved spaces can park anywhere on campus except for disability spaces unless they have the appropriate tag for a disabled spot. Faculty/staff permits can park in faculty/staff spots along with blue permit spots and so on. Does anyone have any concerns or suggestions with the rules we have set for all permits?

**Patrick Moore-** Does this also include the housing permit spots?

**Everett Malcolm-** Yes, but we don't make recommendations on where Bob parks his residential students. That's an operational tasks that we allow George and Neal to take charge of. As a council, we suggest price changes. Are there any questions? Would this council make a recommendation today?

**Diana Tanner-** I would like to make a motion to keep things the way they are.

**Everett Malcolm-** Is there a second?

*-The rest of the council raises their hands-*

**Everett Malcolm-** Motion passes for 2017/2018 to keep permit rules the way they are.

## **6) Issues of concern**

**Ashley Faulkner-** Over the break a friend of mine asked about vehicle charging stations and I was able to get in contact with George and Neal in regards to that in order to help him out and we were able to solve that question immediately. So that's the system working as far as I am concern.

**George Androuin-** Yes, we do have charging stations in lot 53 that get used a pretty good amount so I am happy no one is abusing it so far and the results we have with it are very positive.

**Everett Malcolm-** Neal, could you give the council a summary of what was done when garage 38 was closed down before the holidays?

**Neal Fisher-** Closing the arena garage is always a challenge but that is the only time of the year when that area is able to get cleaned. So we had it pressure washed, the cobwebs cleaned up, the stairwells cleaned, the spaces restriped, the lattice work was repainted and three speed bumps were installed. I haven't heard any negative feedback in the speed bumps so far. For the next winter, we plan on having all of the stairwells paint removed and replaced, the elevator pit cleaned out and elevator cleaned, and we want to give everyone who come on campus to have a great first impression of campus.

**George Androuin-** Having a clean campus and a great first impression on campus really makes a huge impact.

**Everett Malcolm-** In regards to the speed bumps, are there any student feedback on that?

**William Godwin-** Cole is out sick but he has received some negative feedback from student in regards to the newly installed speedbumps. Students aren't used to having those spots there but on the other hand there was other students that requested those speed bumps to be there. It's a safety concern so I believe having it there is more positive than negative. There is a stop sign there as well. Safety is more important than inconvenience.

**Neal Fisher-** We are also looking at putting mirrors up in the corners for safety.

**Everett Malcolm-** Have we gotten any negative feedback when we have graduation since the overpass is no longer there? Have we had people upset with walking due to the elements?

**Neal Fisher-** No, not so far. All the graduation dates that we have had so far have been weather friendly days.

**Elisabeth Avilla-** The only complaint that I received was from people wanting to take pictures by the Osprey statue that use to be there.

**Everett Malcolm-** Alright, any other questions or concerns?

*-Silence-*

**7) Next PAC meeting February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 AM**

*-Everett concludes the meeting.-*

**Minutes prepared by: Courtney Manns**