

TRANSIT, PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 18, 2014 3:00 PM

Members Present: Mohamed Boudhoum, Josh Bowen, Katie Helms, Mikey King, David Martinson, Felisha Perrodin, Donna Daniels, Samantha Fehr, Jim Gigantino, Tim Kring, Jeremy McAtee, Laura Shiver, Lisa Frye, Gary Smith, and Matt Trantham.

Note taker: Sherry Williams

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes: Matt Trantham made the motion to approve the minutes from November 13, 2013, as written. The motion was seconded by Jim Gigantino. The motion passed unanimously.

Report on Current Status of Parking:

Gary briefed the committee on the following:

- Razorback Road Widening Phase I – Utility relocates to be completed within a month. Road work to start soon after that.
- AT&T DAS project from Disaster Recovery to a new facility on Eastern Avenue should be completed in a month.
- Lot 55 – approximately one fourth of the lot, including the west driveway, is closed for reconstruction of that drive. After commencement, all of lot 54 and part of lots 55 and 64 will be closed for the construction of the Student Athlete Success Center. This area is south of Meadow Street between the track and Pomfret Hall.
- Lot 71 – Parking will be replacing the retaining wall along Duncan Avenue in the next month.
- Work to replace/repair the bridges over the railroad tracks on Maple Street and Lafayette Avenue will be in the fall of 2014.
- Working with ASG to develop a work it off program that allows up to 1,000 students a year to work off their first citation by volunteering with the Volunteer Action Center. This will be a test program.
- Lot 19 south of Physics has been closed for a staging area for work to be done in the Central Utility Plant.
- We have added scooter parking in lot 50 west of Humphreys Hall in what was formerly short-term meter parking. Changing lot 50 to two way traffic prohibited vehicles from being able to park in this area but scooters will fit. We are continuing to look for areas where we can add scooter parking.
- Lot 14C, a 17-space Faculty/Staff lot, is under construction on the corner of Regan and Gregg Streets.
- The expansion to Lot 40A on the corner of Cleveland and Hall Streets is almost complete.

- Two new 40' low floor buses have been ordered. They should arrive within 18 months.

Old Business: There was none.

New Business:

Donna Daniels made the motion that Lot 7 be reserved scooter parking from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; Matt Trantham seconded; one person opposed. Motion carried. This will be done on an experimental basis. Seventeen (17) spaces will be assigned beginning the summer term. It has not been decided who will receive these permits – perhaps a lottery method will be used.

Jim Gigantino made the motion that the reserved scooter permit fee be three times the cost of a regular scooter permit fee; Donna Daniels seconded; five people opposed. Motion carried.

There are currently 17 locations where motorcycle and scooter parking are combined, 15 scooter only locations, and 16 motorcycle only sites. Tim Kring made the motion to separate scooter parking lots from motorcycle parking lots; Mikey King seconded; motion carried unanimously. Scooter spaces are smaller and this will stop the scooters from causing any damage to the motorcycles.

The Faculty Senate staff asked that the faculty/staff permit fee be revisited. Tim Kring made a motion to change the permit fee/break point from \$30,000 to \$40,000 (without the 5% yearly increase); Matt Trantham seconded; two people opposed. Motion carried.

Inclement weather and clearing of parking lots was discussed. Gary discussed the current Snow and Ice Response Plan (UA policy 725.0). This policy has a list in priority order of streets, parking lots and entrances to be cleared. A meeting will be held in April with various UA personnel to update this policy. A meeting will then be held with the City of Fayetteville to coordinate the clearing of the Razorback Transit routes. Using Razalert to notify of late openings/closings/bus schedules was suggested.

Katie Helms made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Matt Trantham seconded; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.