

Transportation and Parking Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2007
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Committee Members:

Present: Ron Price (chair), George Cahen, Becca White, Tom Leback, Mark Fletcher, Len Schoppa, Bill Ashby, Marci Stewart

Absent:

Tomer Vandsburger, Carole Lohman, Jo Lawson, Michael Coleman, Alan Cohn, Reba Camp

Guests:

Rich Kovatch, Associate Vice President for Business Operations
Andy Mansfield, Associate Director, Parking and Transportation
Nicole Smith (assisting P & T with minutes)

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm by Chair, Ron Price
- April minutes were reviewed and approved with corrections

Old Business:

- **East Stairway Door at Emmet/Ivy Garage-** a copy of the letter from the University Safety and Security Committee was passed out and reviewed by all. The door will remain locked per the decision of the Safety and Security Committee. The idea of using a card swipe would only benefit card holders and would exclude some permit holders.
- **Student Concerns-**Becca White researched and addressed the student concerns and provided a handout to Marci Stewart for the students to review. A copy of this report will be sent out to all Transportation and Parking Committee members. It was noted that another van has been added to Safe Ride to help alleviate the wait time currently experienced by the students.

New Business:

- **Guest Speaker, Rich Kovatch-**for the last meeting of the year, Rich Kovatch came to represent Yoke San Reynolds. He thanked all for agreeing to serve on the committee. Everyone will be back next year and included in appointment letters will be details on the length of everyone's term.
 - **Free Ridership Program-** is the first step towards Transportation Demand Management (TDM). Parking and Transportation should

continue to promote it and the T & P Committee should continue to fully support those efforts.

- **GPS-** is a positive addition to the services P & T provides and will elevate customer service. The ultimate goal is more ridership. The benefits of this service will be felt mostly by those utilizing the bus service on the weekends and late nights and will greatly increase student safety during the evening hours.
 - **Construction-** Parking and Transportation continues to face many challenges within the next 5 or more years due to construction. There is a significant amount of pressure put upon P & T to minimize the disruption.
 - **Future goals-** as a group the T & P Committee needs to focus on TDM. The numbers of parking spaces within UVA are not going to increase therefore; serious consideration needs to be given on how to reduce the number of vehicles parking in UVA lots. Mr. Kovatch mentioned that increasing the promotion of programs such as CTS/UTS Free Ridership, car sharing and occasional parker permits should be a priority.
- **Alternative transportation-** Becca White presented the Smart Transportation map as well as the DRAFT of the Bicycle Master Plan. This information is the beginning approach to alternative transportation. A copy of this draft will be forwarded to the members of the committee.

Meeting concluded at 3:00 pm.