Monthly TCP Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2023 | Meeting called to order by A.J. Prussin

In Attendance

A.J. Prussin, Carrie Cox, Carrie Mayer, Diane Agud, Pamela Tate, O'Brian Martin, April Williams, James Perkins: EABS, James Cooley, Kiera Schneiderman, Nick Quint, Paul Avey, Brock Burroughs, Kayla Dean, and Jaden Ringley

Board

A.J Prussin asked if anyone wanted to serve as Vice Chair for the 23-24 Transportation and Parking Committee, Kayla Dean stated that she would. She will be Chair next year (24-25 TPC).

New Business

Presentation from the undergraduate Student Senate Kiera Schneiderman and O'Brian Martin. The first item was enforcement times on campus that were extended 2 to 3 years ago. O'Brian stated that (this) presents a barrier for students who want to come to campus for meetings and events and would like to see a reinstation of 8am-7pm. Pam stated the reason for longer enforcement times is because individuals who are coming on campus as visitors will use the lots that students and FS are using for events, labs, and classes. They (??) would not be about to find the spaces to park on campus.

Boots-Replace the boot with The Barnacle, because of family emergencies. Cross train VTPD to remove boots from vehicles.

Parking Holds-Instead of using holds on student accounts that puts a hold on class registrations, use an account receivable hold.

AJ stated we don't put a boot on a vehicle until the 5 or 6th ticket. Pam stated it's a way to discourage illegal parking on campus. VTPD are trained to remove a boot, but if there are charges in Banner they cannot remove. Pam also stated that boots are another way to discourage illegal parking on campus. If we take the holds off there is no way to keep individuals from continuing to park illegally.

Pam stated The Barnacle is not new and we did look into getting it. It's cumbersome for the PEOs. The student would need to return the Barnacle to the boxes. Pam stated that the barnacle loses Wi-Fi, and it is easily removed. The credit card fees will increase the amount of the Barnacle for individuals.

Carrie stated the information on the Bursar website states that the account receivable holds will place and then passed due date it will be a registration hold will be placed on the account. Holds are also placed on a student's account to get their attention. Pam stated other departments place holds on student accounts. April stated that the Bursar's Office uses the same system as Parking. When she called the Bursar, they stated that an AR hold is about parking's only option for us to collect our debt.

O'Brian stated that students are unaware or uneducated about parking on campus.

O'Brian stated that other universities raised ticket costs for individuals who will not follow the rules on campus. He inquired about students having an option of a payment plan for citations. Pam stated that we send emails to a student about a received citation, so the individual is aware that they received a citation.

AJ mentioned about evening only permit being a good option for parking after 5pm. It is only \$25.00 for a semester and \$50.00 for the year permit.

AJ stated that faculty have told Diane Agud that students are abusing the ParkMobile and parking in FS spots by not putting up their parking pass or not purchasing a parking pass. Pam stated we have DMV access and are able to find out if they are classified as a student. The officers patrol the lots and check plates and that will show the officers if the individuals are students, visitors, or FS.

AJ stated that we need more enforcement at the Inn. Pam stated that we are enforcing the Inn more often now.

AJ asked about adding more FS levels to Perry Street garage. Pam stated we manage the Perry Street garage by the number of student permits. FS can park in the C/G spaces. AJ stated the Diane had one more question about possibly installing a sign for the North end garage to indicate that the lot is full. Pam stated we are looking into a sign for the garage. It would be hard for the sign to be correct with 2 exits.

Diane suggested that more spaces be converted to FS in the NEG. Pam said that we could not with the retail spaces.

AJ proposed that we have a permit scale for employees who have a lower salary. The remote lot is not an option for some of the employees on campus. The remote lot is not access for everyone, because of the BT schedule. April stated that we have monthly permits and payroll deduction for options for a lower cost permit. AJ asked about surge option for a remote location. Pam stated that would not be a good option, because of the location. Carrie stated the supplement pay (\$500.00) for individuals who make under a certain amount (\$35,500.00). This is a topic that we need to keep looking at. AJ asked about a shuttle service. Carrie stated that BT is not a charter service and cannot provide shuttle service. Nick proposed the safe ride service we have on campus and is it available for FS. Carrie stated she would be meeting with BT and would double check on the different routes. She would also talk to the security team about the safe ride service.

Paul Avey mentioned about the permit pay scale He stated that someone has to subsidize the amount of the reduced permit. Other individuals will have to pay more for their permits.

Next Meeting

October 10, 2023 at 11:00 am, Zoom