

MINUTES

Transportation & Parking Committee

December 9th, 2025

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Zoom:

<https://virginiatech.zoom.us/j/2401703707?omn=81673640070>

Present: Jenn Million (presiding), Kayla Robertson, Carrie Cox, Aaron Prussin, Amanda Covey, Bria Weisz, Diane Agud, Bo Frazier, Hollis Wittman, Jacob Lahne, Joseph Cooley, Sonya Shelor

Absent with Notice: Mike Dunn, Prehaan Parikh

Absent: Mac Babb, Brock Burroughs, Lydia Qualls

Guests: Pam Tate

Jenn Million called the meeting to order at 11:03 am. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion carried.

2. Approval of or Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of October 14th, 2025

A motion was made and seconded to approve the October 14th, 2025 minutes and posted to the website for electronic voting. Approved.

3. Unfinished Business

Workplan for current AY year Carrie Cox discusses the charge of the committee which was directed from the President. The committee is to review and recommend for traffic, parking, and facilities who all have individuals who participate in the committee meetings to best help serve the university. Carrie requests to update goal #2 of the workplan. Jacob Lahne states the workplan is very vague and wants the workplan to include seeing rules and regulations as they come through. Jacob Lahne also requests documents and policies related to what we are discussing to be sent with the agenda prior to the meeting.

Carrie Cox discusses goal #4 on the previous workplan and requests to keep this as continuing to reduce single occupancy vehicles. Jenn Million refers to the rest of the committee as to removing 20% by 2025, and keep as a continued goal without a measured portion. Hollis Wittman states that none of the goals speak to infrastructure, and feel passive. Hollis Wittman states they do not feel very actionable.

Take action to improve transportation and parking signage and infrastructure is the recommended verbiage for the similar goal from the previous academic year. Carrie Cox explains that this is attainable but to keep in mind that these actions could take time, as in more than a year. Goal #5 thought from Jenn Million could be changed to vulnerable road users, or micromobility. The updated workplan will be sent out via e-mail for comments after the meeting.

4. New Business

A. Faculty/Staff Parking in NEC Garage brought up by Diane Agud Diane states there is a sign that was sent to her that says faculty parking with an arrow; the confusion is with the signage.

Carrie Cox gives update on evaluating parking in the NEC garage. Parking has spoken with VTF who manages the facility and has commercial tenants who have to use the garage. Parking Services operates it, and have talked to stakeholders effected by the garage, and to one student facing organization who wanted to keep parking in the garage but they no longer feel that it will be an issue for their clients. Parking also routed it up to EVPCOO and she is okay with moving forward to remove student parking in the spring semester; faculty/staff/visitor only in the garage. Cadets are primarily parking illegally in the garage because it is so close to their residences. Carrie is asking the thoughts/input of the committee about this change and advises of communication push to stakeholders of the garage and the university community as a whole. Signs will be updated over winter and some will be temporary based on when the new ones can come in.

AJ Prussin asks how it will affect the cadets for summer training, and Carrie Cox stated she would try to find out exactly what they use this for in the summer. There will still be students pulling a ticket and parking, but they will be checking and citations will be given. There will be enforcement in the garage.

B. Parking Quiz being offered to faculty/staff instead of just first time student offenders; which was brought up by Diane Agud. The committee did not object to offering this to faculty/staff, but Carrie Cox states this is a pilot program that is just for students right now. The pilot will run its course to gather data, and Carrie states they would not expand it until the pilot is finished. Whether it is going to be expanded, is up to its success and the ability to manage the load.

C. Mobility Framework Update: Carrie Cox Suggestions for improvements are being formulated for the campus master plan around mobility. Mid-Spring will be when the updates are rolled out. Slide #52, stating the utilization of driving alone has decreased, but did not meet the 20% goal from 2015 to 2025. They are looking closely at bicycle only pathways, and what do they do about vehicle accessibility in the heart of campus. Bria Weisz asked Carrie Cox about the 2015 to 2025 carpooling numbers, and if they are on par with the number of carpools passes for the university. Carrie stated they could get an answer back on that information via e-mail.

5. Constituent Reports

- None

7. Other Items

- AJ Prussin asked a question regarding Washington Street near the tennis courts crosswalk that has no curb cuts; wants to know if this can be fixed due to accessibility and safety. Joseph Cooley and Mike Dunn have discussed the safety reason for this but he was unable to recall the details; will speak with Mike Dunn about this location. Re-visit in the next meeting.
- Carrie Cox says 230 carpool permits annually; faculty/staff and commuter/graduate. There are 5,000 faculty/staff annual. Permit #'s are much lower.

8. Announcements

- None

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 11:52 am.