

## MINUTES

### Transportation & Parking Committee February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026 11:00 a.m. Zoom

**Present** – Jenn Million (presiding), Bria Weisz, Amanda Covey, AJ Prussin, Brock Burroughs, Joe Frazier, Hollis Whittman, Nick Quint, Sonya Shelor

**Absent with Notice:** Diane Agud, Kayla Robertson, Carrie Cox, Mike Dunn

**Absent:** Jacob Lahne, Lydia Qualls, Prehaan Parikh

**Guests:** April Williams, 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. Motion carried.

#### 2. Approval or Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Jenn Million noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Website.

#### 3. New Business

Bria Weisz brought to the meeting agenda the removal of student parking from NEC Garage affecting Cook Counseling Services, as well as bus battery concerns. April Williams addressed the concern regarding student parking in NEC garage affecting Cook's Counseling and noted that in the planning stages Cook's Counseling was met with several times. Cook's Counseling was in full support of this implementation, and they were given alternative options which would have to be enforced by the counseling center.

Nick Quint and Pam Tate responded to Bria's agenda item regarding bus batteries and what that means in the future. Pam Tate advised that the bus battery recall is nationwide, and that they have ordered six new buses that are gas powered due to these limitations with the battery powered buses. There is also a new rapid battery charger being installed and hopefully running by spring break. There will be one implemented on the maroon and there are plans to add an additional one to the orange loop.

The next item discussed was brought to the agenda by Diane Agud regarding options if a pass is left in a rental car, and the possibility of a temporary permit due to the lost parking pass. Pam Tate spoke to this item and advised that right now they do not offer free permits but their future agenda item for this meeting could potentially solve this issue.

Diane Agud also brought snow removal and wheelchairs not being able to access the sidewalks. Hollis Wittman also added to the conversation that their belief is that people using ADA spaces are heavily burdened with this and have to figure out their own solution for this. Pam Tate stated that a lot of the snow removal is contracted out, and that there has been unprecedented weather

this year, including the ice that is very difficult to remove. Pam also noted that the issue with faculty being told to do their best not to hold online classes is more of a registrar issue, and that facilities contract out snow removal so this would be better explained by that department.

April Williams brought Faculty/Staff Permit Auto Renewal to the agenda to discuss. Parking services want to move to a virtual system as a goal for next year, and by moving it simplifies some parking processes. The faculty/staff auto renewal would require you to enroll in payroll deduction one time, and then it would auto-renew each year. This would aid in people forgetting to buy their new pass and getting a parking citation. April noted that peer universities are already using this type of system. Another benefit would be that right now, the payroll deduction is based on 15 pay periods, whereas the auto-renewal would be longer than that which results in less money out of each paycheck. You will still have to contact parking services if your vehicle changes and you need to add a vehicle to that permit.

Mike Dunn's portion of the agenda will be moved to next month's meeting.

#### **4. Adjournment**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 11:22 am.