

**COMMISSION ON UNIVERSITY SUPPORT
MEETING MINUTES
March 17, 2011
Burruss Hall, Room 325**

MEMBERS:

Members Present: Jim Tokuhisa, Acting Chair, Deborah A. Day (for T. Tillar), W. C. Dougherty (for E. Blythe), Fred, Selby (for Mike Coleman), Jack Davis, Mike Martin, Sue Teel, Lora Cavuoto, Heidi McCoy (for Sherwood Wilson)

Members Absent: Leslie O'Brien (with notice), Daniel Wubah, Betsy Flanagan, Guy Sims, Joyce Rothschild, Michael Evans (with notice), Henry Pineda (with notice), Jason Grant, Judy Jones, Suzannah Grubb

Recorder: Janis Wilfore

1. Approval of agenda

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. The agenda was approved without changes, and the meeting began with round-table introductions.

2. Announcement of approval of February 17, 2011 minutes

These minutes were approved electronically.

3. Old Business

N/A

4. Reports from Committee Chairs/Representatives

N/A

5. New Business

Transportation and Parking presentation by Tim Hodge, University Budget Director and Steve Mouras, Director of Transportation and Campus Services

In response to previous discussions and interests associated with Transportation and Parking, specifically parking fees. Mr. Hodge and Mr. Mouras attended the meeting to brief the Commission on the efforts that have taken place in the last year to evaluate the parking auxiliary budget and parking fees. With the state of the economy, administration is especially sensitive to increasing parking fees when there have been no pay increases; therefore, many discussions have been held on how to deal with the parking budget, how to construct fee plans, and how to shelter the employees from dramatic increases in parking fees. With the construction of the Perry Street garage, the parking auxiliary has taken on additional expenses. Many methodologies were investigated and used to determine rates for the next fiscal year, as well as future years. Substantial changes were made in how costs are

applied within the parking auxiliary budget, and contracts with campus entities for parking and related services were evaluated and modified where possible.

Tuition and fees are approved by the Board of Visitors. At a special meeting of the Board in April, administration anticipates proposing the following increases for parking fees for FY2012-13: 2% for faculty/staff, 5% for graduates/commuters and 19% for campus residents. Mr. Hodge and Mr. Mouras advised that the differential rates are based on permit holder use and duration on campus.

Following the presentation, the Commission briefly discussed the Turner Street garage project, specifically that the garage will be owned by the Virginia Tech Foundation, Inc. VT permit holders will not be charged a fee to parking in the garage, however, the garage will be open for public parking for a fee.

6. Acceptance of Committee Minutes

Energy and Sustainability Committee, January 31, 2011

7. Next meeting date - April 21, 2011

Adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janis Perdue Wilfore