

FACULTY SENATE PARKING, TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Monday, December 11, 2017

College of Sciences Conference Room 221

11:300 – 12:30 pm Meeting Minutes

Meeting Attendees:

Sai Deng
Xin He
Jennifer Mundale
Mike Nalley
Shuo “Sean” Pang
Susan Quelly
Min Tong
Stacy Van Horn
Chris Velissaris

Guests:

Andy Rampersad
Kris Singh

1. Meeting called to order at 11:31 am

Vote on approval of minutes from 10/2017 meeting
- Minutes approved

Agenda Items:

2. Faculty and Commuter Parking:
 - a. To begin to address the problem with limited faculty parking on main campus, **Kris Singh** (UCF Parking and Transportation) presented a plan to move student resident parking from lots/garages that are close to academic buildings/student housing to underused campus parking lots/garages.
 - b. This move will eventually open 700 parking spaces for general use that are closer to academic buildings and the center of campus. These proposed changes are expected to eventually create more spaces for staff, faculty, and students. These changes will also help alleviate parking problems for commuter faculty driving to main campus to attend meetings.
 - c. Additionally new bus service will begin to Arden Village apartments that have 600-700 student residents. A minimum of 300 student riders are expected, increasing the original 700 open spaces to approximately 1000 spaces for general use.
 - d. A plan is in place to assign more faculty and staff parking spaces around campus as well. In March 2018, 50 staff and faculty spaces will be available after the construction of the Research building on main campus.
 - e. A plan is proposed to reconfigure the Black/Gold bus lines to facilitate easier transportation from the further distant student resident parking locations to academic buildings/student housing.
 - f. Some pick-up/drop-off parking spaces will be created in current resident parking lots that are closer to student housing.
 - g. The new student resident parking lot assignments will not go into effect until July 1, 2018.

- h. The current policy allowing parking in other student and faculty lots closer to main campus after 5:30 pm will remain in place and housing residents can utilize this benefit for evening classes.
 - i. This plan to revise residential parking spaces was approved by the Student Government Association, UCF Housing, and UCF Police department.
- 3. Traffic Lights
 - a. **Chris Velissaris** expressed concern about need for more regulations on campus for drivers turning right with students/pedestrians walking.
 - b. Many drivers at several campus location are turning right on red without stopping to ensure that it is safe to turn – not being enforced by police
 - c. Need for protected pedestrian/student crossing at some traffic lights on campus
 - d. Will email Richard Beary from UCF police department to request police representative to address traffic light safety concerns at January meeting.

Action Item: This parking concern was tabled again until the next meeting.

- 4. Graduation Traffic/No Access to Scorpius to HPAI, HPAIL, and UCF Global
 - a. Agreement among committee members that access to parking and driving to and from certain parking lots on campus is very difficult during graduation ceremonies and interferes with normal university business.
 - b. Need for an improved plan to solve the traffic/parking problems that occur on graduation days on UCF main campus.
 - c. Will email Richard Beary (UCF Police) to request police representative to attend January meeting to address this issue as well as traffic light/pedestrian problem.

Action Item: This parking concern was tabled again until the next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8, 2018 at 11:30 am.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.