

**FACULTY SENATE PARKING, TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Monday, October 21, 2019

HPA1 Room 335

Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Attendees:**

Thomas Cox  
Nicole Dawson - - Steering Liaison  
Sai Deng  
Elizabeth Horn  
Bret Meltzer  
Gary LaPage  
Ann Shillingford-Butler  
Daniel Topping  
Ivan Divliansky  
Michael Valenti  
Jessica Wickey  
Elizabeth Hamilton  
Carl Metzger  
Ron Weaver  
Ahmad Elshennawy - -Committee Chair  
Kris Singh  
Carl Metzger, ex officio  
Kris Singh, ex officio

1. Ahmad called the meeting to order at 11:35 am

Vote on approval of minutes from September 16, 2019 meeting

- Minutes approved
- To be amended that Ron Weaver was present at the meeting

2. Agenda Items:

3. Old Business:  
None

4. New Business

1. Gun Safety on Campus:

Carl Metzler, an officer with campus security, summarized UCF's existing policy regarding firearms. They are permitted in locked vehicles but no concealed carry. Exceptions would only include law enforcement, security, third parties such as guards for an armored vehicle for cash pickups from vendors, etc.

He mentioned how numerous bills, often via the efforts of the NRA, have been submitted in the Florida congress for campus carry but have thus far been "shot down". Texas has passed a law permitting carrying but also distinguishes between public/private spaces (such as a professor's office). The committee discussed the notion of conversations with Bill Self to update our understanding of the likelihood for such a bill receiving a vote. Karl received a

message from Janet Owens (during the meeting) stating that these efforts are currently dead in the Florida Senate. The committee encouraged Karl to continue to express its stance to our lobbyist that both faculty and student majorities strongly resist such legislation from allowing firearms more freely on campus.

2. **Parking Garage Lighting and Safety:**  
Kris Singh updated us on procedures for the police regarding car break-ins. Cameras have been installed in Lot B as a pilot, just at entrances/exits, but are quite expensive. Most garages are not currently equipped to support cameras. Cost range from approximately \$1- \$1.5 million per lot. Lighting is however up to UCF standards. Some garages with trees on the exterior can reduce lighting quality in those areas. Kris suggested the possibility that a review could be performed. At this time, the parking division makes inspections every morning for issues in the lots and reports outages to facilities.
3. **Golf cart speed limits**  
EHS suggests 15 mph and our committee has already recommended 10 mph but no action has been taken. Gary asked about why this is the case and what kind of enforceability exists for this scenario. Compliance & Ethics is taking up a new policy on this issue.

**Action Item:** Ahmad is taking on the next step of reaching out to Christina Sera.

4. **Campus Signage:**  
An app has been built to assist with wayfinding. But IT sent this issue to the parking committee. We were unsure if the cause was whether or not the app has been appropriately publicized, if it conforms to successful usability standards, or if the actual problem is physical signage on campus.

**Action Item:** Ahmad is reaching out to gain more information on our role with this issue.

5. **Future Topic: eScooters**  
Carl suggested adding the topic of eScooters to a future agenda. Kris mentioned how contract negotiations have been underway with a company called Spin. The plan is for a one-year trial and then re-evaluation. The committee suggested inviting a representative from SGA to attend and partake in this discussion.

Minutes were taken by: Ron Weaver

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 pm.