

Minnesota State University, Mankato

## Parking Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – Friday, December 7, 2001

Parking Advisory Committee Chairperson David Cowan convened a regular meeting of the Parking Advisory Committee at 1:10 PM on Friday, December 7, 2001 in the Conference Room of the Student Association in the Centennial Student Union.

### Regular PAC Members Present – 6 of 6

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| 1. Rose Marie Ley    | Representative for Classified Employee Groups |
| 2. David Cowan       | Administration Representative                 |
| 3. C. Rhys Gaffer    | Student Association Off-Campus Representative |
| 4. Steve Bohnenblust | I/O Faculty Association Representative        |
| 5. Abby Tritabaugh   | Student Association On-Campus Representative  |
| 6. Scott Hagebak     | MSUAASF Bargaining Unit Representative        |

### Regular PAC Members Absent – 0 of 6

### Ex-officio Members Present – 4 of 6

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| 1. Sue Edstrom    | Parking & Traffic Svcs. Coordinator/Appeals Liaison |
| 2. Diane Solinger | Residential Life Office - Nonvoting                 |
| 3. Kristen Young  | Residence Hall Association President - Nonvoting    |
| 4. David Neve     | Business Affairs Office - Nonvoting                 |

### Ex-officio Members Absent – 2 of 6

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| 1. Larry Kohanek (Excused) | Facilities Mgmt. Planning & Construction Manager - Nonvoting |
| 2. (Vacant)                | Space Scheduling Office Liaison - Nonvoting                  |

### Others in Attendance - 1

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| 1. Teritius D. Fortune | Student Association's Legislative Affairs Coordinator |
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### Meeting Agenda Approved

The meeting agenda for the December 7th meeting was approved as distributed.

### Meeting Minutes Reviewed

The meeting minutes of November 30th were then reviewed and approved as corrected. The reference to the "meeting minutes of November 9<sup>th</sup>" was changed to read "November 16<sup>th</sup>". Also it was noted that David Sampson was the bus consultant recently hired by the City of Mankato who met with the PAC Chairperson and student leaders on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Proposal Advanced by Teritius D. Fortune, Student Association's Legislative Affairs Coordinator

The Advisory Committee then took up the Fortune proposal which was first briefly presented at the PAC's November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. The proposal as written states:

Objective: To increase the number of permits sold. The driving force behind this proposal is mandating permits for each vehicle parked on the campus.

Item 1 – Each vehicle parked on the MSU campus shall have a parking permit displayed in its front and/or rear windshield. This sticker shall be 1.5” square and will have a colored background corresponding to the lots on which the vehicle may be parked (gold purple, green, etc.) and shall have a foreground corresponding to the academic year for which it is valid (02 would denote the permit is valid until May, 2002). This sticker will be relatively easily removed, but removing the sticker should destroy it to avoid having the sticker traded between different vehicles. A serial number is also recommended on each permit.

Item 2 – The buyer of the permit should have the option of purchasing the permit outright or making payments, (two or three maximum). In the case of a student withdrawing or transferring mid-semester, the remainder of payments will be waived.

Item 3 – Any vehicle which does not have a permit should be parked in the pay lot or ticketed.

A 7 December 2001 email from Dave Neve, Business Office Representative, indicated the following:

- 1) Not allowing transferable permits would meet with objections from every permit holder who has more than one vehicle which would be a considerable number. Are you suggesting that these persons should purchase a permit for each vehicle. Would a spot in the lottery be allowed for each vehicle? We used to have bumper permits available but there was virtually no demand for them. This is not a workable proposal.
- 2) We tried installments as an option last year and there was little interest in it. Installments in large numbers would cause a multitude of problems. First and foremost would be the be the uncollectable receivables that would be created and the cost of trying to collect the installments. Permit holders who pay will be subsidizing those who do not. We do not have additional staff time to devote to parking permit collection. The MnSCU system also does not adapt well to installments. Currently when permit holders leave MSU they turn in the permit for a refund allowing for additional sales. What would the incentive be if the permit is not paid for? We are trying to increase efficiency through web sales. This would go the other direction.

A vote was then taken on Teritius Fortune motion. Motion failed.

### **January Meeting Agenda Items**

PAC members agreed to reviewed the proposed FY’03 capital improvement budget. Invitations should be sent to Larry Kohanek, Marty Rost, and Grounds Chief Tom Nelson. Cross charges related to parameter mowing and sidewalk plowing will also be discussed.

### **Adjournment**

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 2:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Cowan, Chairperson  
Parking Advisory Committee