

Minnesota State University, Mankato

Parking Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – Friday, November 30, 2001

Parking Advisory Committee Chairperson David Cowan convened a regular meeting of the Parking Advisory Committee at 1:01 PM on Friday, November 30, 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 | IFO 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 - 3

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| 1. Ian Radtke | Off-Campus Student Senator |
| 2. Joe Muggli | Student Association's Student Services Coordinator & Off-Campus Senator |
| 3. Teritius D. Fortune | Student Association's Legislative Affairs Coordinator |

Meeting Agenda Approved

The meeting agenda for November 30th was approved as distributed.

Meeting Minutes Reviewed

The meeting minutes of November 16th were then reviewed and approved.

Ex-officio Roles Merged – Parking & Traffic Services and Parking Citations Appeals Board Liaison

Sue Edstrom reported that at this time Security felt comfortable just sending one representative from its office. Edstrom indicated that she would be responsible for maintaining the flow of information between the PAC and programs within the Security Department (i.e., Parking & Traffic Services, Parking Citation Appeals System).

Consideration of the Tabled Bohnenblust Motion

PAC members then continued debating aspects of the four major points contained in the motion presented by Steve Bohnenblust and seconded by Rose Marie Ley on November 2nd. The motion was subsequently divided at

the November 9th meeting with parts 1 and 3 merged - that combined language was changed and adopted as follows:

Gold permit space shall be allocated on a priority basis for faculty and staff. Leftover or unsold Gold permits would be allocated for off-campus student customers.

Discussion on parts 2 and 4 then occurred for the balance of the November 16th meeting. Parts two and four state:

- 75 Green residence hall slots from Lot 13 and/or Lot 3 be converted to Gold. Unsold Lot 13 Gold would be sold to off-campus students at 75%.
- Gold prices be frozen for two years (2002-03 and 2003-04).

Part 4 on the freezing of Gold permit prices was subsequently tabled.

Abby Tritabaugh reported that Residence Hall Association leaders met on November 19th with Stephen Bohnenblust to discuss his proposal to convert 75 residence hall stalls close in to the campus core for use by faculty and staff. The proposal to “swap” Lot 13 Green permit stalls for Lot 18 Gold permit stalls was resisted by Residence Hall Association delegates who noted that Lot 18 had no security camera and that if approved Lot 18 Green permit holders would have a long walk at night to get to a Night Owl station.

Rhys Gaffer indicated that faculty/staff had already achieve a major victory in that they would be given priority for Gold, a PAC recommendation, which, if approved, Rhys believed would take care of any faculty and staff complaints about not getting close-in parking next year. Rhys felt that another major change affecting student parking privileges would be too disruptive.

Cowan indicated that making Lot 18 a Green permit lot would force existing Lot 18 Gold permit holders to seek space in Lot 17, a lot which is now mostly Purple permit stall oriented. This would have the effect of dislocating existing Purple Permit holders and making a number of classified employees very unhappy.

A vote was then taken on this segment of the Bohnenblust motion:

- 75 Green residence hall slots from Lot 13 and/or Lot 3 be converted to Gold. Unsold Lot 13 Gold would be sold to off-campus students at 75%.

Motion defeated. 0 Yes; 6 No.

City Bus Consultant Meeting

PAC Chairperson Cowan reported that he had met with the vice president of Abrams-Cherwony & Associates (Philadelphia, PA) on November 29th. Student leaders were at the same session. The meeting was held as part of a city-wide initiative of Heartland Express' and the Mankato Transit Service. MSU's mass transit needs were reviewed.

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Upgrade Letters Sent Out

It was reported that The Hub sent out letters inviting residence hall students in Lot 20a to upgrade their Discount Green permits to the more expensive close-in Green permits. About 100 letters were sent out but not all 300 plus Lot 20a Discount Green permit holders are eligible. Letters were also sent out to some 60 Orange permit holders inviting them to upgrade to a Purple permit or Lot 7 Gold permit.

Adjournment

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 2 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Cowan, Chairperson
Parking Advisory Committee