

Facilities and Support Services Committee

Meeting 2/16/17

11:30 – 1:00

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Minutes

Present: Darlene Biggers, Steve Bistricky, Kent Case, Andrea Crucian, Kim Edwards, Rajib Hasan, Brittany Hiatt, Rebecca Huss-Keeler, Mike Livingston, Ward Martaindale, Usha Mathew, David Palmer, Joan Pedro, Robert Phalen, Alix Valenti,

Absent: Rodger Carr, Lynn Glazner, Jennifer Holland, Amanda Johnston, Samina Masood, Monica McKey, Mary Ann Shallberg, Mark Shermis, Cenzig Sisman, Nishok Vishnuganesan, Radu Vlas

1. ACTION ITEMS

Minutes of January 19, 2017 meeting were approved.

2. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Facilities Projects Update – Ward Martaindale

Ward Martaindale gave us a virtual tour through a slide presentation on the development of the major construction projects, the STEM and Classroom Building, Recreation and Wellness Center and the Health Sciences and Classroom Building in Pearland. Planning for Student Housing is just now getting started, but is not under contract yet and no design work has begun. I have attached the slides that Ward Martaindale presented for your review.

b. Parking and Traffic Safety Update – Rebecca Huss-Keeler

- **Van Accessible Space Update** – There was a concern there are not enough handicapped slots in front of SSCB since we have designated slots to be van accessible. Gavin Steiger reported that we are within the allowed number of handicapped spaces even with the ones designated van accessible only. Derrell Means said he cannot enforce it if there are regular cars with handicapped plates or tags parked in the van accessible only slots.
- **Bike Rack Issue** – 10 new U-Bend bike racks have been installed with a capacity of 11 bikes per rack in front and back of Bayou and in front of Delta. There are none in front of Arbor. There are also none in front of SSCB because of the slate tiles which are on dirt and they would break if they were drilled into to secure the racks. There is no concrete base there for the racks. The original racks are still in place. There were issues enforcement with the bikes because the students were still attaching their bikes to the railings, benches and light poles even though there was signage saying not to do that. Chief Hill sent out an e-mail with pictures to the whole community of what to do and not to do regarding securing bikes to the racks.
- **Part Time Employee Pro-Rated Parking Issue** – This will cover employees working 20 hours or less and will be pro-rated. HR will determine the employee's status and it will be handled through Parking on an individual basis.

- **Early Morning Traffic and High School Students Issue Update:** Chief Hill reported they had a UHCL police cruiser positioned near Entrance 1 and the students crossed at the cross-walk. It will be enforced for one more week and they will determine how it is working and whether they will go back to crossing in the middle of the street or not if the police cruiser isn't there anymore. Update: The high school has positioned one of their crossing guards on our side to help them cross Bay Area, but without the cruiser, some students have gone back to crossing in the middle of the road again.
- **Delta Parking** – No update.
- **University Master Plan** – It was discussed that there needs to be parking questions on the survey. Update: The survey was sent out and did include parking questions.
- **Bayou Traffic Circle Accessibility Parking Issue – Gavin Steiger** – The issues of accessible parking along the edges of the Bayou Traffic Circle was briefly discussed. The curb cut is on the right side, but the ramp is on the left side facing Bayou, making the person with a disability having to go across the front of the Bayou to access the ramp on the side of the building. There is also no parking availability on the side of the cut, other than the reserved spot for the President's Office. Alternatively, the cut on the side of the ramp is almost down to the cross road, making the person with a disability having to come up almost the whole length of the sidewalk to access the ramp in front of the Bayou. This issue can affect people with a disability who are being dropped off as well. Time ran out to discuss this issue further.
- **Parking signs for events not being taken down in a timely manner** – Facilities is responsible for some of the signs and the signs for events such as International Orientation are the responsibility of the International Student Service Office.
- **Parking not being enforced in the faculty lots** – According to Harry Glass, parking is regularly being enforced in the faculty lots until 8:00 in the evening.

The next meeting will be Monday, February 20, 2017 in the Provost's Conference Room.

c. Space Allocation & Utilization Subcommittee (SAUS) – Amanda Johnston

No Report.

d. New Business:

No New Business.

There will not be a March FSSC meeting because of Spring Break. The next meeting will be Thursday, April 20, 2017.

Meeting adjourned @ 12:45 p.m.