

University of Washington
Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services

February 1, 2018
10:00am – 11:30am
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Meeting Synopsis:

1. Call to order
 2. Review of the minutes from January 4th, 2018
 3. Chair's remarks
 4. Annual Transportation Services Update – Anne Eskridge, Eric Johnson
 5. Good of the Order
 6. Adjourn
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1) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

2) Review of the minutes from January 4th, 2018

The minutes of January 4, 2018 were approved as amended.

3) Chair's Remarks

Christie attended the Architectural Commission meeting on January 22, which was entirely about the Population Health building. The project is three weeks behind schedule, but demolition of the Guthrie annexes will take place in February, 2018.

Bids for constructing North Campus Housing Phase 4B came in too high. Construction costs have been rising, but there is also the suggestion of underestimating cost. Oak Hall, the replacement for Haggett Hall, which is to be demolished, was dropped from the project, leaving two residence halls and the renewal of Denny Field.

At this point, Mike McCormick (Associate Vice President, Capital Planning and Development) joined the meeting. He explained that the contractor had been changed and the architect, KieranTimberlake, is now working as part of a Progressive Design/Build team. McCormick has had personal experience with the firm as a design/build partner elsewhere. The previous contractor specialized in larger buildings, and the deletion of Oak Hall enabled UW to shift to a different contractor. With the deletion of Oak Hall, some extra beds were added to the other two buildings. By continuing to use McMahan Hall, UW's total bed capacity will be increased.

Christie noted that the Capital Budget passed in Olympia, which affects eight UW projects. The Clean Energy Building is slated for West Campus, possibly on the site discussed earlier for Population Health or an adjacent site. This building may be a public/private partnership. The building above the Sound Transit station in the U-District will be a public/private partnership. Parrington Hall and Kincaid Hall are set for renovation. Population Health Education will provide classrooms on South campus. Buildings are also slated for UW Bothell and UW Tacoma. It was noted Burke Museum construction is continuing without additional bonds. The shell will be completed shortly, and the Museum will open in March, 2019.

Christie noted that earthquake reinforcement was raised at a recent Faculty Senate meeting. McCormick responded that the university is planning to make upgrades to prevent building collapse. Priority will be given to structures that have the highest risk.

Christie noted that no FCUFS agenda item presently exists for February 15. FCUFS will hold its annual review of classrooms on March 1.

4) Annual Transportation Services Update

Anne Eskridge, Director of Transportation Services, presented a review that stressed the impact of high density urban development upon UW Seattle. The issue is transportation, including long-distance commuting, much more than parking. The next few years will be difficult because traffic will get worse while Sound Transit is still under construction. The mission of Transportation Services is innovative and sustainable solutions. A PowerPoint was used as part of the presentation (Exhibit 1).

The campus now has 75,000 faculty members, staff, and students with 12,000 parking spaces. Additional parking spaces will not be added. 41 percent use transit, 28 percent walk, 17 percent drive alone, 7 percent bicycle, 5 percent carpool, and 2 percent use other means to travel to campus. Transportation Services now offers new faculty and staff personal trip planning. UW policy is to stress the "greenest" travel, walking and biking, and to discourage the least green, driving alone.

Transportation Services is trying to work out contracts with rental bicycle companies that reduce costs to mitigate storage of bicycles in improper places, e.g., blocking ADA access routes. UW pays \$7.50 per ride on UW buses, \$3 per ride on Metro, while users pay \$1 per ride on a rental bicycle, so encouraging the use of rental bicycles is a priority. There was a lively discussion about inadequate secure bicycle parking in certain areas.

The parking citation system has now moved online, and turnaround time is now two days. Installation of pay on foot machines in parking areas has caused use of gatehouse permits to drop 50 percent. Gatehouses are needed as welcome centers for wayfinding rather than as pay stations. N4-N5 and Padelford Garage have been segmented so regular permit holders are guaranteed spaces while casual day users are directed to pay on foot permit areas. Central Garage now has a third entrance lane, which speeds entry. The number of gated lots is rising, which prevents scofflaws from using spaces that belong to permit holders.

Pay on foot machines and permit holders will soon move to a system that uses license plate numbers and license plate recognition software. Pay by phone will also be introduced for casual visitors. UW will use the same vendor that the city is using. Departments will be able to give visitors parking codes.

The Special Olympics, July 1-6, 2018, will result in heavy parking demands on campus. East Campus lots will be especially affected.

Transportation Services owns 700 vehicles, including 548 assigned vehicles heavily used by Facilities, 100 U-Cars, which are in high demand, and 52 fleet-managed vehicles owned by departments. 20 percent of the fleet is green, either hybrids or electric plug-ins. There are presently 42 plug-in stations on campus, and demand is growing. Governor Inslee has mandated that 25 percent of all UW vehicles be plug-ins by 2024. A state law imposing this mandate is in the works.

UW is working to persuade Metro to restore bus service from campus to Sand Point. Children's Hospital is supportive of this initiative. An FCUFS member noted that longer teaching days means a greater need for late afternoon and night bus service, including possible expansion of ride share for safety reasons during winter. Another FCUFS member noted frustrations with commuting from Federal Way, where Sound Transit train parking lots are totally full very early in the morning.

5) Good of the Order

No items were raised.

6) Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Minutes taken by Bill Rorabaugh, rorabaug@uw.edu, FCUFS member

Present: **Faculty:** Rich Christie (chair), Bruce Balick, Laura Little, Giovanni Migliaccio, Bill Rorabaugh, AnnMarie Borys, Ashley Emery

Ex-officio reps: Chris Byrne, Steve Goldblatt, Anthony De Simone

President's designee: John Chapman

Guests: Anne Eskridge, Eric Johnson, Mike McCormick

Absent: **Faculty:** Murray Maitland, Ann Mescher, Jan Whittington, Bill Erdly

Ex-officio reps: John Carroll