

**University of Washington**  
**Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services**  
Wednesday, 28 November 2007  
26 Gerberding Hall

Chair Balick called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Meeting Synopsis:**

1. Approval of agenda, approval of minutes
2. Medical School Expansion Project (Phil Duff, Helen Shawcroft, Will Smith)
3. Facilities Issues for Under-represented Students at UW (Charles Kennedy, Erica Sekins, Ashley Mog)
4. Parking: Fee Changes; Preferential Parking for Clean Vehicles (Charles Kennedy, Josh Kavanagh)
5. Resolutions and Recommendations

**1. Announcements, Agenda, Minutes**

Balick presented a written request for revised exit plan for UFB Annex 2 from Olivia Yang, Director of Special Projects Group, Capital Projects Office. The Council expressed concerns regarding the request for an open-ended extension and decided to limit approval to two years, with a new expiration date of November 28, 2009 and a recommendation to seek permanent space to house staff offices.

The November 28, 2007 meeting agenda was approved.

The November 14, 2007 minutes were approved.

**2. Medical School Expansion Project (Helen Shawcroft, Will Smith)**

An informational package regarding the UWMC Expansion was distributed. This project is currently in the midst of schematic design, with construction expected to start in January 2009. The expansion will be accomplished in two phases. Phase I will be the construction of a new 4-story addition over Columbia Road and renovation of limited portions of the Pacific Tower, and will require a minor amendment of the Campus Master Plan. This project will address the patient care units' need for classroom space, small meeting space, computer space, and larger patient rooms for student rounding. Phase I will provide additional teaching space, one floor of finished expansion space for Diagnostic Imaging and shell space for future Surgery fit-up, one floor to house a 32 bed acute care nursing unit and another floor to house a 50-bed Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and a mechanical room floor. The terraces behind the hospital will be taken down and Columbia Road will be closed during excavation. Vehicular access to CHDD will be via a dedicated eastbound lane and an enhanced (longer and wider) bus drop-off, with pedestrian access along the north and to the far west of the CHDD cluster. Phase II will add another 3 stories of patient bed space to the hospital, and will provide new patient care space with integrated teaching space. Construction trailers may be sited in the lawn area north of S1, which would mean closing that end of the S1 garage, resulting in a single exit, which poses a major safety concern. This project will incorporate modern design elements from Bio-genome and the Surgery Pavilion projects. To minimize construction impacts to campus, excavation for this project will take place prior to Sound Transit's project excavation, which is expected to begin summer of 2009. Pedestrian movement is expected to increase by 70-75 on weekdays, and 50 on weekends. Parking demand increase from this project will be minimal, as staff will likely keep to the current pattern of mass transit use.

**Action Taken:** Council approved the project and asked Smith to return to the May 2008 FCUFS meeting to review construction trailers, cranes, lay down and access plans.

### **3. Facilities Issues for Under-represented Students at UW (Ashley Mog, Charles Kennedy, Erica Sekins)**

Kennedy introduced Mog and Sekins, who began their presentation by distributing informational materials on sex/gender terms and the need for safe/gender-neutral/accessible/parent friendly bathrooms. Mog and Sekins spoke on behalf of an underrepresented group on the lack of proper access to campus restrooms. Campus needs to provide single stall bathrooms with changing stations that are gender-neutral, wheelchair/caretaker friendly, which could also serve as a prayer space for the Muslim community. This could be achieved by retrofitting existing restrooms and including required specs in designs for all new construction projects on campus, such as the new Business School and HUB projects. A phased approach could start with making current single stall restrooms gender-neutral, regardless of ADA accessibility, and adding change stations whenever size permits. Custodial Services, a division of Facilities Services, has a database of all campus restrooms available. This information will be presented to the Provost and the Capital Finance Committee for funding considerations.

**Action Taken:** Council thanked Mog and Sekins for the informational presentation.

### **3. Parking: Fee Changes; Preferential Parking for Clean Vehicles (Charles Kennedy, Josh Kavanagh)**

Kavanagh distributed a new Transportation Services org chart together with the 2008-09 Parking Rates Forecast and "Green Parking" Proposal.

Under the new organization structure, Transit is linked to Parking, and Property & Transport has merged with Motor Pool. These changes enable budget consolidation and provide a clear picture on accountability and managerial decisions.

Kavanagh reviewed the parking rate increase information, beginning with 2001-06, when parking rates increased 5.5% per year. 2007 saw no rate increase, resulting in an increase of 7.5% in 2008 to make up for the projected budget shortfall, which includes increases of 7.5% in labor costs, 17% in transit fare, between 2.5% to 5% in parking tax, 0.2% in sales tax, transit participation costs, debt service for U-Tower and West Campus Garages, and material costs. With the Smart Card, UW will need to include stabilization clauses in transit contracts to lessen impact of paying for actual number of rides vs. estimated number of rides which is the basis for current contracts. Performance at the U-Tower Garage is still unknown, and Transportation Services had to make debt service payments prior to occupancy. After factoring in actual and projected rate increases, parking fee will rise from the current \$80 per month to \$88 per month in 2008.

Proposal for preferential green parking was discussed. The intent of such a program is to reward the use of lower impact (carbon emission) vehicles. Success of the current proposal is dependant on common destinations, and Kavanagh is hesitant to initiate what could be a complicated, inefficient parking system at a cost to other UW parking permit holders. An alternative would be to build on the U-PASS concept, by offering discounted car washes, oil changes, gift certificates, etc. to registered electric and hybrid vehicles.

**Action Taken:** Council thanked Kavanagh for the presentation and encouraged further exploration of preferential parking for green vehicles, maybe starting with one green car

space per lot. Council view preferential parking as a better incentive to encourage faculty to make the switch to green vehicles, more than discounts and giveaways. Council will revisit this topic at a later meeting.

## **6. Resolutions and Recommendations**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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Present: Faculty members: Balick, Berry, Bichindaritz, Chizeck, Little, Rorabaugh, Treser  
President's designee: Kennedy  
Other ex officio members: Pike, Schoen, Walker  
Absent: Faculty member: Gates, Moore, Ozubko  
Guest: Phil Duff, NBBJ; Josh Kavanagh, Director, Transportation Services, Facilities Services; Ashley Mog, Student Office Assistant, Women Studies; Erica Sekins, student; Helen Shawcroft, Senior Associate Administrator, Medical Center Administration; Will Smith, Architect/Project Manager, Capital Projects Office