I. Call to Order, Chair

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.

II. Approval of Minutes, Chair

The minutes of the February 13, 2007 meeting were presented to committee members for review. A motion was made by Bob Miller and seconded to approve minutes as presented. The motion carried without objection.

III. TAPS Director’s Update, Ron Fuller

New Decal Year
- Decal Renewal sales started
- For the first time, decals will be mailed to students beginning in fall 2007, if so
• Decal purchase is available in the atrium of Shands this week and the next.

New Garage and TAPS Offices
• UF recently received approval from the Board of Trustees to prepare for the issuance of a bond of up to $23 million for construction.

Carpool Program
• With the start of the new decal year, we are evaluating the number of new spaces which will be needed for an expanded program.
• Staff is continuing to consolidate the many small carpool areas into the few larger zones as requested.
• GreenRide has over 198 persons registered to date.

Parking at New HR Facilities
• During first phase, nearly 50 spaces will be constructed.
• Second phase should add approximately 40 more.

Bus Stop Kiosks
• We are looking at the feasibility of placing kiosks at stops around campus to better disseminate information.

Motorcycle/Scooter Parking
• We are continuing to add new spaces and give structure to existing zones to keep up with the increase in motorcycles and scooters.
• New zones added during the last month are at Tolbert Hall and inside the O’Connell Center Garage.
• Expanded and structured zones are in the O’Connell Center West lot, Fraternity Row, Frazier-Rogers Hall and the Engineering lot on Museum Road.

IV. Biomedical Sciences Building, Frank Javaheri

DISCUSSION:

The location of the emergency power system for UF-269, Biomedical Sciences Building (BMSB), and UF-239, HSC (Med Sciences, Basic Sciences and Communicore Building) Emergency Power System was approved and designed to be on the roof of the new construction at BMSB.

Due to noise and vibration issues that could possibly create problems at BMSB, several other sites were considered. The only viable location would be across Center Drive in the parking lot at Building 462 (Physical Therapy Building). This location would consume all eleven spaces but add four new spaces (net loss of 7 spaces). Frank Javaheri will investigate whether the 7 lost parking spaces could be replaced elsewhere.
ACTION

Bob Miller motioned for approval as presented. Bob Hockman seconded. The motion carried without objection.

V. University Auditorium Event Parking

DISCUSSION:

Matt Cox discussed concerns about the lack of nearby event parking for performances at the University Auditorium. Audience capacity of the hall, combined with normal use of the closest parking lots, makes it very difficult to manage the demand for event parking. UF Performing Arts staff has received increasing numbers of complaints from the public attending events.

Matt raised this concern for informational purposes, hoping to initiate thought among the committee members about parking alternatives for Auditorium events to be addressed again at a future meeting.

VI. Request for Pedestrian Crosswalk

DISCUSSION:

Kathy Stalnaker, on behalf of Dr. John Wingard, presented a request for a new crosswalk on Gale Lemerand Drive between the Cancer/Genetics Research Complex and the Medical Plaza. The proposed location does not meet the criteria set forth in the UF Policy on placement of crosswalks.

It is believed that some are patients of the Medical Plaza crossing there by mistake in search of the Cancer Center. The crosswalk is sufficiently visible at the crest of the roadway in this area, but the illumination seems minimal.

TAPS staff feels that this is an unsafe location for a mid-block crosswalk and attempts should be made to direct pedestrians to existing crosswalks at Archer Road and at Mowry Road. At the same time, staff recognizes that there is significant pedestrian traffic crossing here, and something should be done. However, staff strongly feels that simply painting a ladder-style crosswalk without significant additional improvements potentially would place pedestrians in an even more unsafe environment. Improvements might include restructuring the traffic lanes to provide a pedestrian refuge island and other safety measures.

Committee members asked TAPS staff to explore options for improving wayfinding signs to reduce unnecessary crossings.
**ACTION**

Ata Sarajedini moved to find partners to pay for engaging a consultant to review and make recommendations. Paul Davenport seconded the motion. The motion carried without objection.

**VII. Pathogens Building**

**DISCUSSION:**

Bill Smith presented UF-275 Pathogens Research Facility for footprint approval and exterior look. The site is located west of the circle by the Cancer Genetics Building. The building will be 4-5 stories and either linear or L-shaped. The estimated start date is May-June 2007 and estimated completion date is September-October 2008.

**ACTION**

Bob Hockman motioned for approval as presented. Ata Sarajedini seconded. The motion carried without objection.

**VIII. Meeting Times and Teaching Schedules**

**DISCUSSION:**

Scott Fox presented a request from the Faculty Senate asking committees to review their scheduled meeting times for conflict and consider rescheduling if warranted. Mike Katovich further noted a reminder from the Faculty Senate that ex-officio committee members are not eligible to vote.

**ACTION**

Members agreed informally to make no changes to the meeting schedule at this time, and to record voting results in the minutes.

**IX. Other Business**

- Vet med student Kelly Vineyard came to the meeting to request that 21 spaces in the Shealy Drive Orange decal lot be designated Commuter parking. TAPS staff was planning to make the same recommendation, and committee members informally agreed to the change.
- Representatives of University Press of Florida came to the meeting to request one permanent visitor parking space. The request was approved, with the recommendation that TAPS staff monitor use of the reserved space.
- Bill Properzio from EH&S presented a student request for placement of a new
crosswalk across Newell Drive at Inner Road. Members approved this request.

X. **Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

XI. **Adjournment**

4:00pm