I. Call to Order – Bob Miller

The meeting was called to order at 1:30PM.

II. Approval of Minutes – Bob Miller

The minutes of the November 13, 2007 meeting were presented to committee members for review and approval. There was no meeting December. No discussion. Minutes were approved.

III. TAPS Departmental Update – January 8, 2008

Decal Rush
• We had one day of very long lines (Monday)
• By today, the lines were all contained within the building and very manageable.
• This is attributed to a more aggressive “Order Before You Leave” effort.

New Garage Equipment
• All equipment has been installed at four locations that include “ticket spitters”, fee computers and gates.
• There was a problem with the ticket rolls and it was necessary to reorder (which requires a complete reprinting) new ticket rolls.
• These have now been received and the target date is this month.
• The equipment will allow for the possibility of graduated fee schedules, to be discussed later in this meeting, and afford us better revenue control capabilities.

New Garage
• Work is progressing on design.
• The loss of parking in the existing Small Commuter Lot will be offset, primarily by utilizing the Pony Field recreation area immediately west of TAPS offices.
• TAPS will create a temporary parking lot with lighting.
• Upon completion of the garage, TAPS will restore the lot to a recreation area.

Appeals Committee
• We had a very good response to our request for additional volunteers to handle faculty, staff and visitor appeals.
• A number of training sessions have been conducted and there is some renewed excitement to handle these in a timely manner.

GPS Installation on Buses
• This is an initiative of Student Government leaders.
• GPS will enable riders to monitor bus timing by computer and cell phone in real time.
• The University is close to signing a contract.
• 50 buses will have GPS capabilities

Branding of RTS Buses/Kiosks on Campus
• A recommended logo design has been distributed.
• Student government leaders are currently reviewing the recommendations.
• It will include bus wraps, bus stop signs and kiosk identification (Gators Go RTS”).

Archer Road Corridor Study
• The Selection Committee reviewed a number of submittals.
• Kimley-Horn and Associates was selected.

Note: Campus Ministry had not arrived so meeting deferred to the following presentation, though not on the agenda.)

IV. Shands Tunnel Project – Bruce Myhre, PBS&J

• Start date March, 2008 with a projected finish date of October, 2008.
• Will maintain emergency room access on Newell Drive.
• Construction of a temporary bridge over Archer Road, May 2008.
• Underground construction will be done between June, 2008 and July 2008.
• Road repair will be completed August, 2008.
• Work will be done at night between the hours of 8:00pm and 6:00am.

Purpose is to provide patient and equipment transfer between Shands Hospital and the new
building on Archer Road.

DISCUSSION:
Ron Fuller inquired regarding which lanes on Newell will be affected. Bob Miller asked if Newell would be closed completely. Steve Truluck and Bruce Myhre responded that there would be temporary cuts for the southbound lanes similar to the work done at MRI. A flagman will be employed for any lane close impact. Scott Fox asked that Shands and UPD be informed of all traffic impacts during this construction. It was asked that during events, such as graduation, there be no lane closures.

ACTION:
Informational only.

V. Campus Ministry Cooperative (CMC) – Rabbi Goldman, Rev. Dean - Parking Options on Campus for Clergy

CMC requested parking on campus for events, student groups, counseling, emergency interventions, etc.

DISCUSSION:
CMC’s presentation discussed parking options at other universities. Discussed were daily needs on campus for clergy parking, clergy parking at Shands and visitor parking at the Welcome Center. Inquired regarding service drive availability and time limits. Ultimately, it was proposed that each ministry in the CMC would be granted 1-2 parking permits, allowing limited service drive parking (1 hour) and official business privileges. Note that these permits excluded the service drives at Shands.

ACTION:
A vote was to put to the committee to grant the above cited parking privileges. The issue was passed unanimously.

VI. Proposals for 2008-2009 – Scott Fox

DISCUSSION:
Scott Fox proposed a decal fee schedule increase for the 2008-2009 school year. He cited the financial autonomy of Transportation and Parking Services. Scott said that general maintenance costs for lighting, buses, utilities, etc. have increased. Parking lots have not been resurfaced in at least 10 years. Inquired was the budget amount for the parking garages and provided was a figure of $950,000. An increase would assist in covering the rise in operating costs.

Proposed increases by Scott Fox and suggested by other meeting attendees as follows:

- Carpool from $60 to $120 per participant, up to 2 participants
- Motorcycle and scooter from $36 to $122
- Visitor and patient parking at Shands exit fee from $3 to $4.
- Motor Home game day parking from $318 to $420.
- Service drive permits from no charge to $50
- Fines for violations such as obstructing traffic or parking in a service drive, on the grass, sidewalks or no parking zones from $20 to $50.

Proposed carpool program increase would assist in eliminating abuse. The increase in motorcycle and scooter parking was proposed based on current information. The advantages to UF related to sustainability efforts are not being met with scooters and motorcycles. Primarily due to the multiple trips, less stringent emissions controls and safety issues in the auto restricted zone. Desired outcome is to perhaps discourage scooter parking in core areas on campus. It was expressed that Motor Home parking, in spite of the increase, and in comparison with other programs cited, was still a good value. It was noted that the price may be still set too low. Mentioned as well was that it may be a hardship for employees to pay more for decals, citing no salary increases as well as UF being the only employer to charge employees to park.

Tiered pricing structures for the visitor and patient parking at Shands was proposed. Along with this was a suggestion of free 30 minutes of parking in these garages. Although this would be beneficial for public relations, it would be impractical for most visitors.

**ACTION:**
Bob Miller will address the concerns and suggestions raised by the committee with the Vice President.

**VII. Adjournment**

The next meeting will be on Tuesday December 11th at 1:30. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15pm.