

## **University Standing Committee Report Form**

University Standing Committee: _Parking, Traffic and Security
Student Representative Name: _Michael A. Zavasky
Date of Meeting ( <i>Day of the Week, MM/DD/YYYY</i> ): 13SEPT2016

Report (*Use this section to indicate any discussion, initiatives, or votes that took place*):

Present for this meeting were six voting members (two being SGA members), one non-voting member and the Committee Chair Mr. Bradley. There was an introduction period at the beginning of this meeting.

Additionally Roslyn Robinson, PhD(c), MBA, RN, Executive Director Student Health Services was present to present to the committee the need for one department designated parking spot request for Student Health Services (she left after the committee passed unanimously to proceed with recommending this dedicated parking spot to University VP of Finance and Administration for final approval).

There was discussion for specialty designated departmental parking spaces (of which there are currently 60 of these spaces) and charging a fee to these departments (\$200.00 per spot was the suggestion) to reserve these spaces (this discussion was tabled until the next meeting).

The committee also discussed the issue of irregular width parking spaces in front of Wilson-Wallace hall and Earnest House. These spaces are currently less than standard regulation parking space width. The committee voted to repaint these spots adjusting them to current parking space width standards (both faculty and Handicap parking spots). This decision resulted in the loss of seven parking spots over the entire span as some of the spots currently range between six and one half to seven foot wide and the current standard is eight to eight and one half foot in width. The committee voted to NOT exchange two for one OR three for two, faculty spots in exchange for handicap spots for this area as well.

The committee next discussed a request for specific faculty/departmental reserved parking spots for/adjacent to Ross Hall. The committee discussed Lot #16, Lot #15 and the parking spots located on South Dossett Drive (both directions). The committee voted to reject the request for departmental/reserved parking and moved directly into a request by staff to install additional more Handicap designated spots near Nell Jennings Dossett Hall.

The request to add Handicap designated spots was presented to the committee as there are now staff assigned to that building that previously were located elsewhere on campus. These staff members find it difficult to find parking spots in the afternoon hours (after lunch specifically). The committee recommended (and passed unanimously) that there be one to two spots (depending on practicality and availability) be added to the "rounded ends" of the grass median areas inside of South Dossett Drive in an attempt to not accommodate the request for additional Handicap spots without effecting existing student/faculty parking in that area of the campus.

The committee spoke of multiple issues, topics and suggestions for various improvements around the campus. Parking structure utilization (as well as mention of "full" status signage), the parking questionnaire/survey conducted in 2013/2014 as well as the professional outside survey/evaluation from 2008, lack of Handicap parking in proximity to the CPA, overcrowded motorcycle/scooter parking, changes to the parking booklet from last year to this year and the importance of that publication to the committee and its members.

I certify the above statements to be true and accurate to the best of my present knowledge and awareness given this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016. I reserve the right to amend and/or make addition to this report at any chosen future date/time.

Senator Michael A. Zavasky
SGA representative for the ETSU College of Education