

# PARKING TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD (PTAB)

September 19, 2007

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|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <b>Present:</b>       | Sandra Anderson (Chair)<br>Mike Brennan | Al Byam<br>Rob Hendry | Jeanne Lapan | Pam Monn       | Jim Plaza     | Barbara Stewart |
| <b>Absent</b>         | Randall Bovin                           | Ann Carr              | John Collura | Chris LaFlamme | Tom O'Donnell | Cliff Resnick   |
| <b>Vacant:</b>        | Area Govt.                              | GEO                   | IBPO-B       | PSU            | SGA (2)       |                 |
| <b>Special Guest:</b> | Glenn Barrington [Transit]              |                       |              |                |               |                 |

**MINUTES:** The June 12 PTAB minutes were approved.

## TRANSIT TOPICS:

Glenn Barrington stated that there are no changes to the bus routes this Fall Semester and that Transit has a full compliment of trained drivers. There will be five new orange and blue buses added to the fleet in January 2008.

Al Byam presented Transit's completed summer projects including: providing support transportation for eight conferences, hiring and training drivers, updating bus schedules and posting them in holders along routes, installing bus shelter signage as per CLIP guidelines, updating vehicle maintenance records, and completing the design of the new RTIC facility. New video cameras have been added to the mass.traveler.com website, in downtown Northampton and Athol. Transit is in the process of developing, with assistance from Campus and Facilities Planning, an interactive web map (Wiki) that details handicapped accessible entrances and other accessible amenities at campus buildings. The fleet consultants, MAI of Kansas City, have provided a draft report to the UMass Fleet Team presenting the preliminary findings regarding a fleet program.

## PARKING TOPICS:

Lot 64: Closed this lot in August due to construction of new Recreation Center. The majority of permit holders were relocated to the Parking Garage.

Lot 45: A Letter informing permit holders that Lot 45 would be converting from Blue to Red, effective September 1, 2008 and that current RA/TA's in the lot would be grandfather at Blue rates, was distributed recently. So far there were only two responses.

Lot 40: The ten reserved spaces for Athletics' vans were relocated to newly constructed spaces and to existing reserved spaces resulting in a net gain of 10 spaces for Lot 40 permit holders. A plan to renovate Lot 40 and the adjacent metered parking is in the design stage and will be implemented at the completion of the Rec Center construction.

Freshmen permit sales were fewer than the previous year. Data gathered from 1999 – 2007 shows +/- 20% fewer freshmen bringing cars to campus (see handout).

Mike Brennan presented Parking's completed summer projects including: installing a new garage payment system and video surveillance, upgrading garage signage to comply with CLIP guidelines, reconstructing exit and entrances to Lot 32, and renovating Lot 30. Replacement parking signs will continue to be installed according to CLIP standards. Southwest Yellow Lot's (#1 lot for vandalism) video system project is underway with UMass police. This system will be using wireless Technology (see handout).

The number of on-line permit renewals has increased. A software upgrade in Parking also ties into Rideshare and carpooling matching.

List of Future PTAB Agenda Items Prepared at 9-19-07 PTAB Meeting:

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| - Crossing guards              | - Ride Share update                  |
| - Capital project updates      | - Freshmen permit sales              |
| - CLIP update                  | - Student Commuter Survey results    |
| - Discussion of closing Lot 54 | - Transportation for Health Services |
| - Garage improvements          | - Bike Issues                        |

**Next Meeting: November 14, 2007**  
12:00 PM– 2:00 PM  
Room 903 Campus Center

Respectfully submitted, Cathy Shaw  
Recording Secretary