Members Present: Jeri Baker, Jennifer Bennett, Vinayak Rao, Maxine Greenblatt, Rob Hendry, Stefan Herlitz, Niels La Cour, Sgt. Tom O’Donnell, Martha Patrick, Marios Philippides, Andy Steinberg, Greg Wheeler, Jon King, Kathryn Slater standing in for Mike Knodler, and guest Glenn Barrington.

Members Absent: Ann Carr, Daniel Morales, Pam Monn, Juanita Holler.

Jeri Baker:
Mission Overview
- What is Transportation Services? It is composed of the following departments: Transit, Parking, Special Transit, Field Trip, and Fleet Services. What is PTAB here for? We are here to take a broad perspective of Parking and Transportation Services and provide advice to the Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services, James Sheehan, after appropriate discussion.

Update on Later Parking Restrictions
- After the April meeting, the board submitted a memo to V.C. Sheehan, which he approved, in regards to the later restrictions desired and agreed upon by the board. After the stakeholder meeting, it was decided that since many of the stakeholders had already sent out parking info to customers or group members, the later restrictions would be implemented in Sept 2015; this gives Jeri a year to meet with and educate the various groups affected by this change.

Maxine Greenblatt, motion to implement the new parking restrictions in 2015, Andy Steinberg seconded.

Tailgating at McGuirk Stadium
- Football is coming back. First game September 27th. The surrounding parking lots need to be cleared by midnight the night before. People will be displaced, towed if they do not move, and will be allowed back into the parking lots Monday morning at 7.

Glenn Barrington:
Transit Update:
- Increase in ridership has been steady over the past four years; there is a 12% increase over last year at this same time already, which is a new record.
- UMass Transit continues to provide new employees to the transit industry. There are over 60 people from UMass transit in the industry already, and the number will increase as baby-boomers retire.
- There are a couple route changes. Route 32, the Atkins/Cushman Center bus, and route 37, the Shopper Shuttle, have been combined into the new route 33, which goes to Cushman Center, the Amherst Survival Center, and Big Y/Stop & Shop. In addition, the extensions of routes 30 and 31 to the centers of Belchertown and South Deerfield, respectively, have ceased on the weekends. The South Deerfield route in place on the weekdays now goes to the park & ride as well.

Jon King:
• Jon King started June 1st as the new parking manager. His vision for parking services includes customer service, operations, and logistics.

• As we remove core parking spaces away from the center of campus, it will become more difficult to satisfy customers, because people wish to park as close as possible to their destinations.

• Because of the new Integrative Design Building being placed on Lot 62, a new parking lot of 55 spaces will be where the French Greenhouses once stood. It is estimated that 50-70 spaces of the old lot will be maintained, leaving 90 to 115 people displaced.

• In the past year, there have been 10,116 permits sold. The least sold lots are 11, 13, and 49. There are currently about 1,800 people on waiting lists. The biggest problem lots for violations were lot 64 next to the Rec Center, with lot 44 next to Boyden coming in second.

• There is a new temporary parking program that allows different departments to purchase temporary permits for guests online, and email those permits to their guests for their use. It is popular and being used by several departments.

Robert Hendry:

• Robert Hendry is tasked to look at Kathryn Slater’s suggestion of bike share locations in peripheral lots. There was a general discussion of bicycle registration, which bears a resemblance to the current “Project Protect” run by the police department. Jeri Baker is in favor of implementation of such a thing, as it can provide data to funding entities.

• Robert asked whether the SGA wanted to give up the “Bike Share” project to Transportation Services. Stefan Herlitz said no, they are rather invested in it, but they could use some assistance.

• The Bicycle Committee needs more members, with experience riding bikes. Members present include Kathryn Slater, Tom O'Donnell, and Niels La Cour.

• The Bicycle Committee’s current goals include designing a map project that is constantly updated, increasing web presence, increasing the number of bike racks in various campus locations, increasing the number of surveys given to cyclists, and forming a working plan from the reports already received from cyclists surveyed. Funds will be necessary but not for about 5 months.

General Discussion:

• It is desirable that students take the bus, zipcar, or bike instead of parking. Fortunately, only 7% of freshmen now bring their cars. More upper-classmen do, but they live off-campus and thus it frees up lots regardless. The New Students Program is at least partially to thank for this.

Meeting adjourned 1:28PM

NEXT MEETING: November 12th, 2014 Room 911 Campus Center 12:00pm – 2:00pm