Transportation and Parking Advisory Committee Minutes Meeting of January 26, 2011 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm J.R. Howard Hall, Rm 302

Attending: Richard Bettega, Sharon Hayes, Amy Dvorak, Lisa Pogue, Jason Feiner, Seneca

Gray, Freddy Vilches, Sherron Stonecypher, David Kelley, Tim O'Dwyer, Johnny Weigel, Lin Thunder, Josh Mink, Xander Blair, Gabriel Montez de Orca, Juleen

Norling, Michael Ford, Ian Gadberry, Jeff Feld-Gore, Marilyn Sbardellati

Absent: No members were absent

1. Minutes of Meeting for December 15, 2010

The minutes were sent to Committee members. If there are no changes the minutes will stand as written. Any changes may be sent to Marilyn.

2. Pioneer Express/Law School Shuttle

At the last meeting the Committee considered reinstating the four-hour break in service of the Pioneer Express Shuttle. The cost to reinstate the four-hour Raz/Pioneer Express shuttle service is approximately \$40,000 per year. Richard Bettega stated there were two methods of funding, raise parking fee and/or charge a user fee for the shuttle. Tim O'Dwyer stated that raising parking fee is too much to ask of lower paid workers. Several other committee members expressed concern about the implications on the community if parking fees were raised.

Lisa Pogue asked David Kelley if the Law School would still need their own shuttle service if the Pioneer Express service was fully restored. David Kelley told the Committee that the middle of the day transportation needs would be addressed if the Raz/Pioneer Express shuttle was reinstated. The Law School is paying approximately \$20,000-\$22,000 for their own midday shuttle service. The Law School would still want to utilize a 12-passenger van to provide a local neighborhood service (south on Barbur and into Mountain Park neighborhood). The Law School believes they can reduce parking demand by providing this service. Richard asked David if the service would also support undergrads. David responded that the neighborhood shuttle would be exclusively for the law school student. Richard reminded the Committee the Sellwood shuttle was canceled partly due to the inequity of providing the service to a small number of students. The approximate cost for providing the Law School neighborhood service is estimated at \$20,000-\$22,000 (capital costs are not included).

To support the neighborhood shuttle initiative, the Law School and College Outdoors have proposed to purchase two new passenger vans replacing two existing vans (no net increase in vehicles). The Law School will use the vans Mon. thru Thurs. Friday's use is in negotiations.

Undergraduate representative Xander Blair said the undergraduate population does not make great use of the shuttle in the middle of the day. Xander believed if and when the College has more programs for student involvement in the community ridership may increase. David Kelly will check with the Law School Transportation group to see if any Law School midday shuttle seats would be available for undergrad students occasionally.

Lisa Pogue said the Graduate students, especially in the Teacher Ed Dept. are not able to utilize the shuttle or TriMet due to their school/work/internship schedule.

Sharon Hayes summarized the Committee's discussion in as follows: the Committee recommends that we do not reinstate the four-hour midday Pioneer Express shuttle because the Law School shuttle costs approximately \$20,000 per year (funded by the Law School), while the Pioneer Express, operated by Raz, costs \$40,000 per academic year. A majority of Committee members agreed and the Committee recommended that the Law School operate its own downtown shuttle between 10:40 am and 1:55 pm. The Committee was not in consensus that operating a neighborhood shuttle specific to the Law School is appropriate.

Seneca Gray felt the Committee should support individual efforts for departmental shuttles operating independent of the Raz/Pioneer Express. The money to be used for the Law School shuttle is from the Law School budget. Seneca added that every few years the transportation needs of students change with each new group.

Summary: TPAC does not recommend reinstating the Pioneer Express mid-day shuttle service. The Law School and College Outdoors will each purchase a 12-passenger van. The vans will be used by the Law School Monday through Thursday and by College Outdoors on Friday through Sunday. Money to support the Law School mid-day shuttle will come from the Law School Budget. It is not clear what additional costs will be incurred for the law school mid-day shuttle on Fridays. The committee did not endorse a neighborhood shuttle specifically for the Law School.

3. Carpool Enforcement

A subcommittee was formed to explore enforcement and regulation changes that would encourage the formation of more carpools. Marilyn Sbardellati, David Kelley, Lisa Pogue, Josh Mink, Xander Blair will form the subcommittee.

Meeting adjourned