

SEAS Employee Council Meeting
July 12, 2005
Conference Room, Dean's Office, Thornton Hall

Present: Jo Ann Addison, Chris Ditmar, Natalie Edwards, Dan Fetko, Marci Foote, Iva Gillet, Katherine Harlow, Ginny Hilton, Lisa Meadows, Kristl Nelson, Vanessa Pace, Brad Sayler, Lewis Steva, Emily Williams

Guest Speaker, Becca White, Parking and Transportation

Call to Order

- Lisa Meadows called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

New Business

- The floor was immediately turned over to guest speaker, Becca White from Parking and Transportation.
- Becca began by explaining how Parking and Transportation is operated. P&T does not receive money from the state or tuition; they are self-supporting and must charge fees to cover operating and capital costs. They run on a 13 million dollar budget, about half of which comes from parking permits. P&T oversees 15,387 parking spaces, approximately 11,000 of which are permit spaces. They have 68 full time employees, about 100 part time employees- most of whom are student bus drives, and they move about 15,000 people a day on the buses. Their other services include a maintenance shop, they also maintain all grounds fleet vehicles, and oversee flight services for one airplane which can be chartered out. At any given time there are 5 officers out patrolling the lots, they write about 45,000 tickets a year.
- Becca continued by sharing some of the P&T goals & plans for the coming year.
 - One goal is to encourage more commuters to use CTS by offering free rides.
 - P&T would also like to test a van pool for employees in the Waynesboro area.
 - Two buses are currently using biodiesel fuel, the outcome will be evaluated in August.
 - The P&T department is currently working on a plan for the Rolling Stones Concert in October, there are no details available yet, but will hopefully be at the beginning of August.
 - The P&T website is also in the process of being upgraded, so that customers may perform more transactions on-line.
 - As of June 1, 2006, the Ivy parking garage will become a midlevel reserve green lot. This will coincide with the opening of the new basketball arena garage, which will be a blue lot.
- Becca then opened the floor up to questions or comments. The main concern voiced by the group was the already high cost of parking and the sharp yearly increases. Becca explained that rates are voted upon by a P&T committee. She

suggested that the best way for staff members to voice their concerns is to contact the committee representative. Minutes from the P&T Committee meeting are posted on the Parking and Transportation webpage:

<http://www.virginia.edu/parking/committee/committee.html>

Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 3:40 pm
- The next SEAS Employee Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2005, 2:00 pm in the Rodman Room – There will be no meeting in August.

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