

STAC Meeting: 11/21/18

11:05am

### Introductions

- Kelly: Are there any updates from college representatives? No updates at this time.
- Kiara: Any updates on transportation student leader training that is being developed?
  - Kelly: The training powerpoint was presented at last STAC meeting, and will be sent out to new members
  - Kavanaugh: Will it be offered as a learning resource to other student groups?
  - Kelly: Yes, that is the plan.
- Kavanaugh: Stuff the Bus was an amazingly successful event, student contribution was very strong
- Kelly: At the previous STAC meeting, Curt had mentioned need for student reps to sit on a revision committee for the campus-wide commuter survey. This can be revisited at the next STAC meeting.
  - Kavanaugh: The survey is comprised of questions meant to provide insights into student needs for transportation and questions will be updated, student input would be helpful in this process.
  - Mahaffey: ACCB could potentially have a member that is interested and able to provide student perspective.
- Kavanaugh: Carpooling is an increasingly important way for the campus community to get to campus, especially students, which means that there is a growing need for more predictable central campus parking. 27% of trips to campus are carpools, which is very high, however most are 2 person carpools. There were no perks for carpoolers with less than 3 people per vehicle.
  - We're working on identifying rewards/incentives for these carpoolers - 50 stalls in Osler and 50 stalls in Hopkins were identified as carpool spaces for these commuters from 7-9am, but confusion around this new designation has resulted in a lot of parking tickets.
  - The short term solution has been to switch to warnings to avoid becoming a ticket trap, and signs were updated to be more clear on parking policy for these new spots. They were also originally painted with a yellow S which was confusing to students that did not see the signs, so the S has now been grayed out. The language "any permit valid after 9am" has been added to posted signs for the new spots.
  - Mahaffey: how many stalls are grayed out across campus?
  - Kavanaugh: most of these types of spots are down at SIO as part of their parking sticker program or "special validation sticker required" areas
  - Kiara: I don't think most students are aware of the meaning of a grayed out space - Kelly and I didn't know about that definition until now.
  - Kavanaugh: We definitely need to identify the best way to communicate the new carpool spot policy. There was also an issue where these spots were influencing

the total count of available spaces in the electronic counting system. We have learned that students coming to central campus come in earlier than most other student drivers, and are being misinformed about number of student spots available since these special carpool spaces show up as an available parking spot in the system. The path forward is to remove these carpool spots from the total count, until the system has been corrected to only include those spots in the total count after 9am.

- SSC Rep: Was there an email about this change? Was it sent to the all-commuter listserv?
  - Kavanaugh: No, an email was not sent but perhaps a First To Know email would be appropriate for this.
  - Kiara: A definition of the grey spots could also be added to the AS FAQ Transportation webpage
- Kavanaugh: On a separate note, there are some exciting updates regarding campus shuttles. City Shuttle, which was created in 2014, was created when the original MTS UPASS fee was too expensive. The City Shuttle was designed to mimic the SuperLoop to supplement this. Provision of the City Shuttle was included in past referenda as well as the most recent referendum.
    - However, capacity in the campus shuttle is lower and less efficient than in the MTS shuttle buses. Transportation has proposed an integrated Superloop sponsorship of increased MTS service on this route to replace the City Shuttle/Arriba shuttle.
    - This shuttle route can now run until midnight under the new deal. This change results in a big upside for students, and an operational upside for Transportation which can shift staffing and equipment elsewhere. New campus developments are going to rapidly increase in near-campus housing so this will help supplement other routes that service those areas.
    - The deal costs slightly more than running the service ourselves but there are so many positive aspects that we feel it is definitely worth doing. As of Monday the deal was confirmed by MTS, and service will begin January 27th when MTS undergoes a service shuffle on their end. A communication plan is in place to inform students of this change, and the current campus shuttle will continue to run up until that date.
    - We need to revisit the information roll-out plan at the next STAC meeting.
    - Mahaffey: what does ridership look like for City Shuttle and will MTS fully provide for the need?
    - Kavanaugh: Yes, we have given MTS hour-by-hour ridership info and they are confident that they can cover the need. If their original expectation is off, then MTS will adjust their service to meet the need per their operating standards. One of the highlights is that the staffing surplus that this will provide can be shifted to begin operation of a new chartered shuttle service. This will hopefully lead to new

partnerships with the campus community including student org trips and departments' class trips to off-campus locations.

- Mahaffey: recent changes with more upper-class students increasingly living on campus without meal plans means those students will really benefit from this so that they can access off-campus food locations
- Kavanaugh: To roll out information on these and other changes, Faculty and Staff directed forums will occur at the end of the year, and then student forums early next year.
  - These will address changes in parking rates that go into effect beginning January. Staff/faculty will occur in December. After January, forums directed to students will occur to provide overview of the new rates for students.
  - The new Gilman Bridge opens January, with the exact date still to be determined. It is contractually scheduled to open after the quarter begins but a soft-opening could take place at the beginning of quarter to provide service vehicles/campus shuttles early access.
  - Campus lot 782 will become more readily accessible and will be servicing an adjusted shuttle route, which is still being finalized.
  - East campus connector is being shifted to no longer run out to Town Centre, so that a 10 minute cycle through East Campus can occur
  - Medical Center Drive South has plans for new bike lane and construction will impact campus transportation, project manager could be invited to next STAC meeting
- Mahaffey: A thanksgiving holiday Lyft code was made available through Basic Needs Funding (UCSDCARES) to take students from campus over to La Jolla Village food options/grocery stores
- SSC Rep: what is the Gilman Bridge?
  - Kavanaugh: It is the large bridge being installed south of the existing bridge across the 5 Freeway, near the rail construction and the bend in Gilman near Sixth College/VA
  - Campus is in charge of the bridge design/construction
- Kavanaugh: will an email vote occur before the next meeting, to establish leadership?
  - Heather: a vote must occur by the second meeting, but since quorum has not been reached at in-person meetings, technically STAC has not officially met yet
  - Kiara: I will send out the voting email to identify leadership, before the next STAC meeting