

**Western Washington University Associated Students  
Transportation Advisory Committee**

Friday, December 2, 2011

2:00pm

VU 567

**Present:** Sara Richards (AS VP for Student Life, Chair), David Burgesser (AS Alternative Transportation Coordinator), Katie Vainikka, Skylar Hinkley, Patrick Stickney

**Absent:** Iris Maute-Gibson (AS VP for Governmental Affairs, Vice Chair), Chelsea Reiss (Student-at-Large), Daniel Benowitz

**Secretary:** Katie Savinski

**MOTIONS**

T-11-F-03                      Approve the minutes of Friday, November 18, 2011 *Passed.*

**Sara Richards, VP for Student Life, called the meeting to order at 2:011 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. REVISIONS TO AGENDA**

**VU Kiosk by David**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*MOTION T-11-F-03 by Stickney*

*Seconded by Burgesser*

Approval of the minutes of Friday, November 18, 2011

Vote: 5- 0- 0

Action: Passed

**IV. PUBLIC FORUM**

**V. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Master Plan**

Burgesser said that he made minor editing changes but no content changes to the Master Plan in the last editing run-through. Vainikka clarified that changes can still be made to the document after the forum is held. Burgesser added that the traffic light at Bill McDonald and 25<sup>th</sup> section could be removed as it had already taken place.

*MOTION T-11-F-04 by Burgesser*

*Seconded by Stickney*

Approve the Associated Students of Western Washington University Transportation Advisory Committee Master Plan for November 2011.

Vote: 5- 0- 0

Action: Passed

**VI. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. Forum for the Master Plan**

Richards asked the committee to brainstorm ideas on how to initiate a forum. She suggested targeting specific groups who might care about alternative transportation. Burgesser would like to see an announcement go online. Richards said that she could email out to all of the Resident Directors on campus so they can send out an email inviting their residents. Hinkley said that the newsfeed on the homepage of Western, the Western Front, and the Events Calendar might be good places to start advertising. Stickney suggested putting it on the KUGS calendar. Hinkley said that there is a

transportation planning class and that this will be a great target. Richards expressed her concern for students not being able to find information on this forum and they won't go out of their way to do so. Vainikka suggested making a shorter version of the Master Plan to present so that students don't get lost in all of the details. Hinkley suggested hosting a very open forum where students can stand up and express their concerns and have the master plan as a guide. Richards wants the forum to be within the first three weeks of school. Stickney suggested a south campus location. Burgesser explained that he imagined the ASTAC committee as a panel answering questions and serving as a resource. He said that if they wanted to see a "round table" discussion to look into using VU 567 for a location. Stickney would like to see the panel format implemented though he thinks the conference room idea would be good, he hopes for a larger group of people to show. Richards expressed her flexibility. Hinkley does not want to give the sense of an "us vs. them" discussion, so he would like to see a conference style. He does agree that if there are too many people, the panel model will suffice. Richards said how the tone is set at the beginning of the meeting will determine what style is going to work the best. Vainikka suggested taking it to student senate and Burgesser suggested inviting people from facilities management. Hinkley said he thinks people are itching for a bike forum. Students have expressed issues with the lack of signage. Burgesser will take note of this for next year. Richards finalized that they would be trying to reserve a small lecture area that has a table and chairs. Richards said the tone will be light and focus on student ideas. Hinkley suggested VU552. Richards will go to Margaret and then get back to the committee on where the forum will be best held. She will set up a time after she receives everyone's schedules. She will be in contact with the committee over the break.

**VII. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 2:55 P.M.**