

Alternative Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2021

Attendance Members: Jillian Buckholz, Pamela Baird, Kristina Tham, Brenda Amaral, Mark Almeida, Eduina Escobar, Kea Kaholoaa
Guest: Carol Trost

1. ACTION ITEM - Approval of Agenda
 - a. Motion- Jillian Buckholz
 - b. Second- Kea Kaholoaa
 - c. Unanimously approved
2. Open issues
3. Reviewing the CO Transportation Policy & ATC Charter (June 2020)
 - a. Recommendations we are currently doing and or are working on.
4. [Recommendations](#)
 - a. Enhanced AC Transit- We are not doing this. We have signed a 5 year contract with SP+ with a 2 year extension.
 - b. Discounted/free public transit passes- We are not currently doing but could possibly provide this in the future. Possibly providing passes for the first and last mile.
 - c. Campus shuttle- We are doing this. Free shuttles are provided for students.
 - d. Rideshare- We are providing rideshares through Waze.
 - e. Vanpool- We have vans for faculty/staff. This has slowed down with COVID. These are rented vans and this was also a budget decision. There are two vans still running but this program is much smaller than pre COVID. Performing regular assessments of use.
 - i. Will the retired vans be returned when circumstances go back to normal?
 1. That is that plan. Once we are in a better budget position we will bring them back and possibly add a van from the south San Jose area.
 - f. Carpool program- we provide incentives for carpooling. Preferred parking. This is primarily used by students.
 - g. Adjusting parking pricing- We change the lowest amongst the CSUs for staff and faculty parking. We are in the middle of students parking passes. We are not currently planning to increase the cost anytime soon.
 - h. Guaranteed ride home program- is available through various means (reimbursement for renting a vehicle)
 - i. TDM program marketing- continue to market the programs that are benefiting us.
 - j. Telecommuting and alternatives work schedules- the Campus Sustainability Committee is working on an updated policy recommendation.
 - k. Comments
 - i. We are trying to reduce the impacts. There has to be a balance of the vehicles coming to campus. There is possibly support partnering with Housing to reduce the amount of vehicles on campus by providing free

passes if student pledges to not bring a vehicle on campus. This would be a good pilot for how the student body would use these passes.

1. This change might not be possible until students are comfortable taking AC transit as this also has budget implications so this might be a long term goal.
2. We could track user/ridership for those specific passes to understand how these are being used.

I. Focuses

i. Telecommuting and alternative work schedule

1. Jillian has run some numbers about the carbon emissions impacts relative to different work schedules. Just staff and administrators (excludes faculty and students, if we added faculty there would be 900 faculty to this group) committing is about 6% of our total emission and if everyone only commuted 2 days a week. We would reduce our emissions by 2% (roughly 100 households). Jillian is happy to share powerpoint if needed.
2. If we want to make big impacts to emissions we need to look at the student piece. This could possibly be solved with virtual learning depending on the student bodies preferences.

ii. AC Transit

iii. Review and discuss TDM plan and recommendations

1. Goals for the 2021 - 2022 FY

iv. Meeting schedule - twice each semester (Fall / Spring)

5. Focus is to write policy based on the TDM for approval from the CSC and possibly sent to the president to become policy.
6. We could start with twice a semester and see how that goes.
7. New business
 - a. Next meeting- look at the recommendations on the TDM, send items to Brenda for agenda items. Figure out how to provide AC transit passes for 1st year housing students. We can tease this out in our next meeting and play with the possibilities.
 - b. There is a larger demand for housing currently. We are planning on starting our marketing. This is with minimal classes on campus. If we don;t bring students back in some capacity we would be losing value. Hopefully have 1300 students back in housing in the near future with single and double occupancy models.
 - c. This group might be able to help beef up the teleworking policy recommendation as the CSC is a little restricted from making recommendations through a Climate Action Plan lens.
 - d. Bike paths on campus? Is this something we could explore?
 - i. Once the CORE building is done, facilities are looking into having a path of travel and possibly have scooters on campus.
8. Comments and Announcements
 - a. Next meeting time?

- i. Carol to send out a Doodle Poll for best meeting time for everyone on a revolving bases.
- ii. Is there only 1 more meeting this term? Should we meet every other month instead?
- iii. Next meeting would be March and then May.