Campus Safety and Facilities Committee  
October 23, 2015

Present: Caitlin Dull (Chair), Chief Grissom, Bill Lensie, Dave Wozniak, Thomas Held, Raff Iula, Noah Hayze

Absent: Evan Shircliffe, Lance Bryson

I. Introduction of Chief Grissom, Bill Lensie, David Wozniak and Raff Iula.

II. Old Business

- We closed up all of the holes on campus. We dealt with a lot of that last year. We put adequate walkways and pathways across all of the trenches that we had built on campus. They are all closed. That is now behind us.

III. Student Concerns from President’s Hour

- The Resident lot across 696 is safe and well-lit with flashing yellow lights overhead. There is also a pedestrian crossing sign overhead. Chief Grissom as well as Bill Lensie want to remind students to be sure they watch for cars. It is a major highway and they should be aware of this when crossing the road. It is not safe to just hit the button and cross. If students do not feel safe with this option, there are other lots on campus that are also an option.

- A walkway from MCT to Grove College is an adequately funded project and the committee is aware of this having been a student concern at President’s Hour. Unfortunately, this is a project that will not begin until next summer. In the meantime, Bill Lensie said that they will be figuring out where is the best location to put the walkway based on student travel, as was done last year when a gravel path was put down during construction.

~ Other funded projects include:
- Paving Old Main
- Paving around the fountain
- Paving on Lancaster Drive
- Paving in some of the parking lots

- Student Noah Hayze came to address a concern also included in the President’s Hour regarding the lack of bike rack covers by some of the residence life buildings. The committee recognized that this is a safety issue but also that it is something that will need to be taken up with Residence Life. It has been addressed. This committee wished that it be brought up to full Senate to make it clear that it is a safety issue but, it is based on Res Life funding.
Bike racks were removed during construction by Reisner. This bike rack will be brought back in the near future.

- There are no lights at the stadium in the evenings due to the cost associated with it. It is an Athletics funding issue. It is something considered yearly by the President, as it would allow for Friday night football. However, due to this lack of that it is preferred if students are not out there at night. It is considered a non-safe part of campus at night and usage is not preferred at night. An alternative for students (as recommended by students present) would be the walking track by the perimeter of the marching band practice field, despite not being ideal for sprinting.

- Lighting will be added in the area by Old Main. That is also a funded project. However, much like the walkway between MCT and Grove, it is a project that will begin in the summer.

- The limited access road on Dauphin Drive along Wright Hall is also another funded project. This is now considered a pedestrian mall. Cars should not be driving down into this area. It is for pedestrians only. Officials on this committee ask that this be reported to full Senate as a serious issue that is committee needs help enforcing.

- Chief Grissom addressed the student concern of Noah Hayze with creating more Resident parking lots. While it is possible, the commuters only have lots on certain parts of campus and creating a Resident lot out of the recommended lot would cause issues for snow removal. Usage of the staff lot by the softball field would lead to damage of student vehicles.

- Thomas Held addressed an issue with smokers in inclement weather. When weather is not favorable, many smoke underneath the entry ways of the residence halls. This is something that committee would like brought up as a health/safety concern to full Senate, as it does harm students when smokers are smoking within 25 ft. of the building. It is the duty of Residence Life to enforce this issue and this committee would encourage Senate to ask Res Life to do so. Bill Lensie did inform the committee that Res Life is planning to build a pavilion in Harley Field. This is a project that is funded and ready to be contracted. The building process should begin during late Fall – early Winter. However, nothing is in the process closer to Lackhove. This may help with the smoker issue but, he did highlight the fact that the pavilion is geared toward Res Life events. It is being funded by and for Res Life.
• Raff Iula asked about the legality of longboarding on campus. Chief Grissom reinforced that not only are longboards not allowed on campus, but this also includes scooters, rollerblades, as well as skateboards. This should be enforced and is enforced by SUPD. These items are considered to be a safety hazard because there are no breaks and it is dangerous to pedestrians due to the large volume of pedestrian traffic on campus.

*The next meeting will be November 20 at 4:00 p.m.*