

# Minutes

## Plant Utilization and Planning Committee

**May 18, 2020**

2:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Zoom meeting

1. Call to order and Introduction of attendees Debbie Miller, Co-Chair  
*Co-Chair Debbie Miller called the meeting to order at 2:01pm. She welcomed everyone to the first Zoom meeting of the committee and confirmed that all in attendance were able to view the participants' list; thus no roll call necessary. She welcomed committee members, staff and student representatives, invited guests, presenters and representatives from University Communications, University Times and the Pitt News.*
  
2. Approval of March meeting minutes PUP Committee  
*Debbie Miller asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the March 2020 DRAFT meeting minutes. Hearing none, the minutes stand approved as written.*
  
3. Parking/Bus/Shuttles Kevin Sheehy  
*Debbie Miller introduced invited presenter, Kevin Sheehy, who provided an overview of Parking/Transportation followed by a high-level status of the planning underway to return to campus. The number one priority is the SAFETY of our faculty, staff and students. Highlights of the presentation include:*  
  
*Parking/Transportation:*
  - *Pittsburgh Transportation Group (PTG) will begin its contract July 1, 2020 to provide shuttle services for the University. New shuttle vehicles have been purchased, all of which are ADA compliant. All are propane-fueled and can be retrofitted for natural gas in an effort to meet our sustainability plan goals.*
  - *Additional bike lanes and racks in place to encourage alternatives to driving to campus*
  - *Pitt-owned parking garages waived monthly lease fees for April and May*
  - *O'Hara garage will continue to operate on a month-to-month basis*
  - *Pitt garages have been open for use by those needing to come to campus and for UPMC frontline healthcare workers.*
  - *Soldiers and Sailors garage renovations are in progress*
  - *Plans in place to re-purpose the O'Hara charging stations to Posvar and Soldiers & Sailors garages.*
  - *Overview of other transportation options including Z-trip, Safe Rider (on demand service) and Port Authority Transit (PAT).*

Return to Campus:

- *Several work groups are planning for return to campus options.*
- *Provided a conceptual overview of 'flexible' parking options under consideration in addition to the historical monthly lease option, as employees may permanently work from home on a full-time or part-time basis.*
- *All transportation (Pitt shuttles, PAT buses, etc.) will all carry fewer passengers due to social distancing requirements*
- *Vehicular enter/exit procedures being developed to ensure passenger safety*
- *Cleaning procedures being developed to ensure passenger safety*
- *Brief discussion of changes to building elevators/stairwell access/usage patterns.*
- *FYI: City of Pittsburgh will resume enforcement of street parking payments beginning 5/20/2020 in the City but not Oakland at this time.*

4. Request for nominations for Chair (or Co-Chairs)

David Beck, Co-Chair

*Co-Chair David Beck reminded PUP committee members that a Chair or Co-Chairs must be elected prior to July 1, 2020. He invited all interested elected members to nominate themselves or another member by contacting Lori Molinaro. He apprised the group that he and Debbie Miller are willing to serve again next year, but that ALL nominations are welcomed!*

*Debbie Miller concluded the meeting by asking if there were any announcements or further questions. She noted the June's meeting will include an update from the City of Pittsburgh's Department of Mobility and Infrastructure (DOMI) as well as Pitt return to campus plans.*

*Debbie Miller adjourned the meeting at 3:11pm.*

**Next meeting:** June 15, 2020 – 2:00pm – Zoom meeting