

UNH FACULTY SENATE  
MOTION IV-M5

1. Faculty Senate Committee: Campus Planning Committee
2. Committee Chairperson: Elizabeth M. Dolan
3. Date Submitted to Agenda Committee: November 30, 1999
4. Date of Faculty Senate Discussion: February 23 and March 6, 2000
5. Committee/Administrator Responsible for Implementation: Candace Corvey, VPFA
6. Exact wording of committee motion:

No significant changes in the current parking and transportation policies, procedures, and infrastructure should be implemented until after an origin and destination study (which was also called for by the sustainable transportation trip report and recommendations) encompassing the transportation behaviors of faculty, staff, and students is completed and analyzed by the University of New Hampshire and the town of Durham.

Furthermore, the true cost of the current situation and any proposed plan and its impact should be analyzed and compared to the current situation. The true cost should include, but not be limited to, pollution, time on campus, commuting patterns, subsidies for parking and public transportation, handicapped accessibility, campus visitors, safety and security, capital cost of any new systems, and cost to commuters. The University Master Planning Committee should use the results, along with the recommendations of the Transportation Policy Committee, in developing the university's master plan.

7. Arguments in favor of the motion (including items considered for inclusion but rejected by the Committee).

The UNH Master Plan, and the more recent The Sustainable Transportation Trip Report and Recommendations (STTRR)(15 Sept 99), make proposals that substantially alter the current campus parking and shuttle systems. The STTRR, furthermore, calls for an origin and destination model to be developed by UNH and the Town of Durham. The Faculty Senate Planning Committee believes that this needs to be accomplished prior to any other actions being taken.

Many of the proposals to date, and especially those in the STTRR, espouse the principles of "Transportation Demand Management" (TDM). TDM is an alternative approach to transportation and parking concerns, and implementation of these principles would result in a profound impact on faculty, in addition to staff and students. The TDM principles (as reported in "Finding a New Way: Campus Transportation for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," copies of which are available through the Sustainability Programs Office) have been used by other campus communities and may or may not be relevant to UNH. The origin and destination study would allow the campus community to evaluate the principles of TDM relative to the patterns of parking and transportation behavior and needs of UNH faculty, staff, and students.

8. Minority Committee Report (if any)

None.

9. Senate Action

Senate Action: Passed on March 6, 2000

Vote: 23 ayes & one abstention

Chair's Verification: Peter D. Allen

Date: March 8 / 2000

Forwarded to: President Leitzel

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