Parking Committee 12/5/2012

PPPC Meeting Agenda – 12/5/12

1. Approve minutes from last meeting
   - Approved

2. Talk about charge of the committee, who we report to, etc.
   - Chair Mathwig distributed charge.

3. Update on Garfield Ave project – Sean Hartnett
   - Senator Harnett updated committee on the history of this plan and how it developed. Past planning has identified problems needed to be solved. One of the basic concepts of the project is the creation of a mall right off the foot bridge. Part of discussion was to resolve problems created by traffic on the bridge. Landing on lower campus side of the river is a problem. The city owns the part of Garfield past the church. The University has to work with them on any plans in that area. There is a plan for replacing the loss of the circle by Schofield. Plans would eliminate problem of bikes crossing pedestrian traffic. We will need to develop plan to accommodate the pedestrian traffic volume that will be associated with the new Education building. This is part of the Regent's budget but needs to go through state budget process. Budget will dictate what we can do. We are in early stages of architects and engineers selection. Senator Markgraf will be on committee planning this project.

4. Update on Confluence project – Sean Hartnett
   - Time did not allow for discussion.

5. Invasive species removal from the Putnam Parking Lot – Sean Hartnett
   - Senator Harnett distributed photos of park and reported on long term plan. The outdoor classroom will be located in the area of the current parking lot. There are three areas of work for this project of identify and removing invasive species. Students are conducting the identification and removal. Two major invasive species are buckthorn and honeysuckle. The group did not want to use chemical treatment. Through consultation with others they settled on cutting and removing twice per year for three years. That has proved effective. Third cycle should be very effective. The classes are proposing to go on to next sector, which is on the other side of the bridge before falls into the river. What they have done already has been with no funding. Got equipment funding from the
student sustainability group. Because the classroom will be located in the flood plain seating will be created by large landscape stones.

6. Next meeting/ideas

- Chair Mathwig will schedule next meeting in February.