



## Campus Improvements Committee Meeting

August 28th, 2023 | 5:00pm

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**Committee Chair**

Chandler Donahey

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### I. **Roll Call/Quorum ~ 5:00**

- a. Sen. Maia Brown **absent**
- b. Sen. Olivia Cartwright (Olive)
- c. Sen. Chandler Donahey
- d. Sen. Katyayani Karlapati

### II. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. *The minutes were approved as written.*

### III. **Approval of Agenda**

- a. *The agenda was approved as written.*

### IV. **Gallery Comments**

- a. *There were no gallery comments.*

### V. **Old Business**

- a. Determine fall term meeting date and time.
  - i. **Donahey:** I will create a When to Meet after this meeting and we can decide when our weekly committee meetings should be.
- b. Continued brainstorming – reference minutes from last meeting.
  - i. **Donahey:** One of the ideas we created at the last meeting was Bike Share, but I do not have any updates on that front yet.
  - ii. **Karlapati:** I think we should pursue campus lighting.
  - iii. **Cartwright:** I also like this idea. We could survey the darker spots of campus. People also talk a lot about the Beaver Bus.
    1. **Donahey:** I think we should reach out to the transportation department about adding routes to the Basic Needs Center or the Cultural Centers. I also think our campus is really dark so we should pursue that as well. Lastly, the signage for ADA accessibility is not clear and our campus is not easy to navigate, so we could explore that.

2. **Karlapati:** We could try to operate campus lighting using motion sensors for sustainability purposes.
  3. **Cartwright:** Maybe we could create a survey for students to see how they feel about adding more lights to campus because some students might not be in favor of it for light pollution reasons.
  4. **Donahey:** I think a survey would help for sure because our goal is to make students feel heard. We could also ask students about using motion sensors and locations that they would like to have better lighting. Outreach committee typically would gather student surveys but I am not sure when they are meeting. The other issue is that there are not many students on campus to survey and gather opinions from.
  5. **Cartwright:** I think the freshmen would be great to survey because they spend the most time on campus.
  6. **Cartwright:** Maybe we could all go on a night walk at OSU to mark which areas have the least amount of lighting.
  7. **Karlapati:** I think that's a great idea.
  8. **Donahey:** I will reach out to you all about going on a night walk and we can coordinate about a day and time.
- iv. **Donahey:** Should we discuss our ideas for ADA access?
1. **Karlapati:** I have done some research on ADA access and it is difficult to figure out who is in charge of accessibility, so it might take a whole term to work on improving access.
  2. **Donahey:** I think we should put it off until winter term since that will be a large project. For fall term, I think we should focus on creating a bill and gathering student support for whatever change we are trying to make, like adding lights to campus.
  3. **Cartwright:** It seems like the university might be resistant to changing the current ADA access, so it might benefit us to be proactive and see which buildings need the most improvement. Maybe we should consider taking it on earlier in the year since it might take more time.
  4. **Donahey:** We don't necessarily need to have a specific project for a specific term, we can always work on a project for longer. That being said, you bring up a valid point and it might not be a bad idea to start with our observations on both lighting and ADA issues, then ask students for their opinions, to then finally decide what to do for both projects.

## VI. New Business

## VII. Gallery Comments

VII. **Adjournment ~ 6:00**

- a. *The meeting was adjourned at 5:44pm*