

City of Oxford, Ohio Student/Community Relations Commission

Minutes (Friday, May 3, 2019)

1 Call to Order & Location

Kennick called the meeting to order at 1:34 PM in the LCNB National Bank Community Room, 30 West Park Place, 2nd Floor, Oxford, OH 45056.

2 Attendance

2.1 Members in attendance

Prue Dana, Glenn Ellerbe, Lara Fening, Dan Haizman, Anna Keller, Claire Keller, Charles Kennick, Dr. Kimberly Moore, Mike Rudolph, Steve Schnabl, Megan Schoettler, Susan Tobergte, Joy Usner, Caley Wexler, Andrew Wilson, and Dr. Cheryl Young

2.2 Members not in attendance

Atticus Block, Hanqing Lyu, Amy Macechko, Molly O'Donnell, and Halle Sarkisian

3 Approval of Agenda

- ✓ **Vote:** Motion to approve agenda by Haizman, seconded by Dana. Unanimous approval.
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4 Approval of April 19 Minutes

- ✓ **Vote:** Motion to approve April 19 by Wexler, seconded by Schnabl. Unanimous approval.
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5 Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves. Anna Keller attended as a guest of sister Claire Keller.

6 Reports

6.1 OPD (Fening)

OPD has been busy distributing information about bikes, junk, and ShareFest. Discussion about moving out and what to do with stuff and surrendering pets.

6.2 MUPD (Tobergte)

Coffee with a Cop in the Armstrong Student Center Atrium on Thursday, May 9 from 10:30 AM to noon. Bikes left on-campus will be confiscated and unclaimed bikes will be sold at auction in fall. Lime scooters will be leaving Wednesday of exam week and will be gone all summer.

7 Updates

7.1 Electric Scooter Pilot

Meetings with Alan Kyger and Doug Elliott, and with Dean Moore. Kennick expects City to renew pilot for another year with same or similar rules but there is uncertainty if the companies will continue. Unsure what Miami University will do. University still concerned about scooters on sidewalks and people parking them at bike racks. Bird is out of the market.

7.2 Plastic bag fee

Haizman talked about the Cleveland/Cuyahoga rules that are coming soon.

8 New business

8.1 Year in review

Kennick to present to City Council on Tuesday night.

8.2 Next Year Goals

Keller:

- Continuing Charles' work on e-scooters
- Safety issues
- Changing the alcohol culture
- Interpersonal and sexual violence
- Policies and how students interact
- Events
- Continue the plastic bag fee
- Continue Wi-Fi uptown discussions
- Parking and transportation
- Promoting sustainability
- Tenant information listserv with tips and resources

8.3 Other suggestions and discussions about future SCRC activities and goals

- Pedestrian safety, especially at night and when students wear dark clothing
- Miami University should take a stronger role in combatting alcohol and drug issues with its community
- Promote great students rather than discuss "bad apples."
- Property owners should distribute literature to students when they move in about trash and reporting building and property maintenance issues immediately.
- Encourage City to install separate trash and recycling bins uptown and throughout city.
- Encourage residents and students to participate in the City's new food scrap program.
- Provide Voter Change of Address information to students when moving into new residence halls, apartments, or houses.
- Bring decision-makers, specialists, and experts to SCRC (need agenda sooner in advance for booking).
- Promote more and positive interactions between Oxford residents and Miami University students throughout the year.
- City or City Council could recognize students who are doing good work in the community.
- Recognize partnerships.
- Address increase in first-year class size and its effects on community.
- Discussion about empty storefronts uptown and developing new comprehensive plan.

9 Adjournment

- ✓ **Vote:** Motion to adjourn by Haizman, seconded by Schnabl. Unanimous approval.

Meeting adjourned at 2:41 PM.