

J. Dominique Gumirakiza

I am pleased to submit this statement of interest in serving as a member of the Parking and Transportation committee. Serving in this capacity will allow me to work with other committee members in representing WKU students, faculty, staff, and guests in all matters pertaining to parking and transportation. I will strive to objectively contribute with carefully analyzed options that will improve parking and transportation on-campus. I will follow the strategic plan for parking and transportation together with university budgeting procedures to provide advice for a change to allow WKU community maximizing their satisfaction subject to limited resources; both physical and financial. In few words, this position will give me opportunities to provide inputs for the committee to keep acting as an effective advisory body to the President on the parking and transportation policy and financial matters.

Rhonda Patterson

There are multiple issues facing the Parking and Transportation committee as the university is constantly growing its population as well as its geographical footprint. Add into that the numerous activities, renovations, etc. that occur on WKU's campus on a regular basis and this committee undoubtedly has many important tasks they must address. Not having had the opportunity yet to serve on the Senate or any of the committees at-large, I would enjoy the challenge this opening would provide.

Mark A. Staynings

I would like to be considered to serve as a member of the Parking & Transportation Committee at Western Kentucky University. I have taught Principles of Economics for many years and in my classes I use the example of parking (at WKU & other universities) as an example of some of the complex issues that exist on college campuses. My students are encouraged to come up with creative solutions to the parking dilemma that confronts the WKU community and we discuss the costs and benefits of each of the solutions that develop. I am also in the process of writing a paper which I hope to get published on the parking "crisis" that confronts many universities. There are few topics on campus that invoke the level of passionate debate as parking and I believe that my background in economics and public policy would be a great benefit to the committee and the WKU community.

Rico Tyler

My name is Rico Tyler. I am a master teacher for the SKyTeach program and a faculty member in the School of Teacher Education and the Dept. of Physics and Astronomy. As a faculty member teaching in both Gary Ransdell and Snell Hall, supervising students off campus and working with visiting student groups I am interested in a range of parking and transportation issues. Adequate and convenient access is a prerequisite for almost every program and activity that occurs at WKU.