UAF North Campus Subcommittee Agenda	
December 11, 2013; 12 p.m. (noon) Facilities Services Conference Room, RM 122	No agenda available

## **UAF North Campus Subcommittee Meeting**

December 11, 2013 Notes

**Members present:** Mark Oldmixon, Scott Jerome, Linda Zanazzo, Jason Garron (ex of)

**Members Absent:** James Brashear, Ken Tape, David Fee, Kara Axx (manager), Dan Callahan

Guests: Stan Justice, Audun Enestad

Minutes approved

Agenda approved.

Mangers Report – None, due to Kara's absence

- o UAF Trails and Greenways committee did not meet.
- Jason warned that work will need to be done on the lighted-loop to bring the lights back online after the storm. This will require plowing the trail.

## **Public Comment:**

Audun shared some feedback of grooming. He would like to see priority given to classic tracks after fresh snow if temperatures are well below zero and predicted to stay there. Having groomed skate lanes and good classic tracks during cold temps is not logical. Audun is happy with the current firmness of the tracks, last year he would punch through a lot.

Jason expressed concern that if he responded to Audun's suggestions, Jason would hear complaints from other users about the no skate lanes being fresh.

Stan read the list of requests (in order of priority) from the UAF Trails club. Mark will forward the list to the committee as well as establish an NCS priority list in response (work that should be done ASAP, work for the summer and projects the NCS doesn't fully support).

Scott offered his team as a volunteer work crew to Jason. Scott says he offers every year with no response. Jason accepted the offer and will schedule a day in the spring for the team to do some work, possible remove fencing/barb-wire.

## **New Business:**

- 1. Learn to Ski Area:
  - a. Audun and Stan produced a more accurate map of the area around the Satellite dishes. They continue to advocate for clearing more space just inside the gate to prevent a bottle neck and give a space for folks to get ready without being in the trail.
  - b. The suggestion of moving the gate was explored after last meeting by Kara and Mark with Bear. Due to impacting traffic on Tanana Loop and EMS access Bear was not comfortable moving the gate.
  - c. Scott Jerome said he would support refining of the area if it came to a vote.
  - d. Regarding the newly expanded LTS area.
    - 1) Audun and Stan request further expansion.
    - 2) Jerome stated that he can get 30 strides (15 each side) in that area.
    - 3) Audun forfeited using the area and Jason will not focus his efforts on this area. It takes a significant amount of time to groom and set tracks. Jason will only set 2 sets of tracks and

- no more until Audun requests it with the promise of using them.
- 4) Mark said he has had customers respond positively to the area (being on top of the hill and near the warming hut). In the past they would go to Ballaine Lake.
- e. Regarding the kink in the trail around the grooming equipment
  - 1) Scott, Audun and Stan believe this can be straightened without much effort.

## 2. Biathlon

- 1. Biathlon was an approved activity by NCS some years ago (About 3).
- 2. NCS at the time requested signs be posted to warn recreational skiers that biathlon was happening.
- 3. We also do not allow biathlon participants to have bullets in the gun while skiing.
- 4. Jason has some simple trail improvements to do to make the area more functional for biathlon events.
- 5. Kara and Mark spoke post meeting, they will ensure that a biathlon section will be included in the developing Rifle/Archery Range Management Plan.