### **UAF Master Planning Committee**

Thursday, September 2, 2004; 9-11 a.m.

Chancellor's Conference Room; Signers' Hall Room 330

- Welcome and announcements

   Introductions
   Chancellor's action on MPC

   recommendations

   Review of MPC

   committee/subcommittee membership

   Reminder: MPC bylaw change proposals
- 2. Informational presentation by Facilities Services
- 3. Opportunity for public comments (3 minutes per person)
- 4. MPC overview and discussion with Chancellor Steve Jones 10:00am
- 5. Other business
- 6. Adjourn

# **Master Planning Committee Meeting**

September 2, 2004 Notes

**Members Present:** Rick Caulfield (chair), Deb Horner (vice-chair), Steve Titus, Andy Angiak, John Craven, Bernardo Hernandez, Terrence Cole, Brett Biebuyck, Terry Dowdy, Lydia Andersen, Chris Bennett, Pamela Davis, Joe Hayes (quorum present)

**Guests:** Rich Boone (nomination pending Chancellor approval), Luke Hopkins, Gary Newman, Wayne Don (nomination pending Chancellor approval)

### Welcome and Introductions

The chair welcomed MPC members to the first meeting of fall semester and noted Chancellor Jones' favorable action on MPC recommendations 04-06 (GI tree thinning) and 04-07 (USDA office space additions). He reviewed a draft list of membership for the MPC and its three standing subcommittees. MPC nominations are being solicited as called for in the bylaws. The Chancellor will be asked to review and approve those nominations already received; several nominations are still being sought. Subcommittee chairs are asked to review their group's membership to ensure that we have appropriate membership on each for the coming year.

The chair noted two MPC bylaw changes that are now posted on the MPC website. Bylaws require that they be posted for 30 days prior to any action. The two have to do with MPC membership and with reference to the new Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art in the bylaws. The MPC expects to take up these proposals at a meeting later in September.

**Informational Update from Facilities Services** (for details, contact FS/DDC): Steve Titus from Facilities Services provided the following information:

- GIS tree thinning near SAR antenna: bid for tree removal higher than anticipated; additional funding is being explored
- UA Museum of the North is currently behind schedule; negotiations underway with contractor to address issues
- Thompson Drive, a DOT project, continues; high probability of roundabout being available for use by end of Sept.; Bridge not finished until next year (August 05 completion date)
- Biological Research and Diagnostics Facility (BiRD); Kiewit has contract; excavating work underway; using Tanana Loop alignment (north road) for access, excavation and foundation preparation to be completed before winter, steel in spring; likely that Sheenjek Drive will be closed temporarily this fall
- Rural campuses: Kotzebue and Nome have several projects underway as does Matsu (greenhouse)
- Fairbanks campus: many campus projects—grass, paving, sidewalks, Taku
   Drive completion, Kuskokwim paving completed
- BICS planning moving ahead (Phase II planning—link to 6 year capital plan; now going to Business Council and UA Statewide)

 Regents' meeting—Sept. 14-15 in Fairbanks; agenda items include chiller for Fairbanks campus and intertie to Golden Valley; chiller is a \$5M cold water facility to be located at the power plant; intertie provides a breaker between UAF and GVEA to avoid power outages; new transformer and power station, fall 05 completion planned

MPC members commented favorably on the general quality of landscaping and upkeep on campus. J. Craven expressed concern about sidewalk access and safety adjacent to Museum building site. G. Newman inquired about any plans for paving the new Sheenjek parking lot (not on any list currently); also inquired about cooling options for the GI in summer. T. Cole asked about liability issues for pedestrians walking on icy sidewalks.

# **Opportunity for Public Comments**

There were no public comments offered.

### **Discussion about MPC with Chancellor Jones**

The MPC welcomed Chancellor Jones and made a brief presentation about the campus master plan and the MPC process. This included an overview of key issues to be addressed this coming year, including implementation of the circulation and parking, North Campus, and campus landscape and outdoor artwork plans. MPC priorities include parking plan implementation and fee structure issues, Troth Yeddha' park development, establishing a North Campus manager position, and Tanana Loop planning.

**Next Scheduled MPC Meeting:** September 16, 2004, 9am-11am, CCR Signers' Hall.