## **UAF Master Planning Committee**

Thursday, December 8, 2005; 9 – 11 a.m. Chancellor's Conference Room; Signers' Hall Room 330

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# **Master Planning Committee Meeting**

December 8, 2005 Notes

### **MEMBERS ATTENDING:**

Rick Caulfield (chair), Deb Horner (vice-chair), Steve Titus, Brett Biebuyck, Kathy Sikorski, Cassie Mellon, Lydia Anderson, Terrence Cole, Gary Newman, Doug Braddock, Ann Ringstad

**Guests**: Luke Hopkins

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Kathy Sikorski has been nominated by the Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Native Education to serve on the MPC.

The chair met recently with Chancellor's office staff to secure letters of appointment for MPC members approved by the Chancellor. Terms range from one to three years.

### **FACILITIES SERVICES UPDATE**

Steve Titus provided an update about new and ongoing projects at UAF. Major projects include the UA Museum of the North, BiRD building, and planning for the Virology Lab.

Work is also underway at Chukchi Campus (science lab) and in completing additions to the Fort Yukon Center. Master plans are being developed for the Palmer farm facility and for rural campuses.

For more complete information, see the DDC website at: http://www.uaf.edu/fs/currentprojects.html

Members inquired about further electrification of parking lots on West Ridge and about the possibility of improvements to Sheenjek Drive now that construction is underway along the roadway.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

# **Circulation and Parking Subcommittee:**

The chair was unavailable so no report was provided. The subcommittee has met several times in recent weeks and is working on implementation of the C&P plan.

# **North Campus Subcommittee:**

The chair was unavailable for members reported that the NCS is meeting monthly. The new West Ridge trail skirting the ASF antenna has lighting thanks to Facilities Services and donors from the UAF Trails Committee and the Geophysical Institute.

The NCS is reviewing a request to establish a new trail to Smith Lake from Sheep Creek road. This idea is being reviewed by those involved with the Arboretum, and any recommendation will eventually come to the MPC for review.

The NCS is expecting a letter from a campus science advisory group requesting that the existing trail near the CIGO site be moved. The subcommittee will likely take up the issue at its next meeting.

Luke Hopkins is also working on implementation of the plan to revitalize interconnecting trails between main campus and North Campus.

# **Campus Landscape and Outdoor Artwork:**

Deb Horner, chair, reported that proposed designs for West Ridge Plaza and Cornerstone Plaza are on display in Irving. They were previously at Wood Center and will next be displayed in IARC. Comments are being solicited from the public about design elements.

The subcommittee is having ongoing discussions with Fairbanks Shakespeare Theatre about a potential site for performances in summer 2006. There is no agreement or arrangement with FST at this time.

#### **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Luke Hopkins reported that the Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly will soon be acting on a proposed resolution in support of the UA operating budget.

## **UPDATE ON RESEARCH PARK PLANNING**

The chair reported that UA Statewide Land Management Office director Kristi Sherman agreed to make a brief presentation about the planning process for the proposed research park. That update is now being scheduled but hopefully will take place at the MPC's meeting on December 22, 2005.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

UAF's draft strategic plan is moving forward. All MPC members are encouraged to review it.

Ann Ringstad noted that Constitution Hall is now recognized as a National Register property. She thanked those who provided input while the question of National Register listing was being considered.

Steve Titus reported that UAF's Facilities Council is revisiting facilities policy and regulation. He'll keep the MPC informed about proposed changes.

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