

<b>UAF Master Planning Committee</b>  Thursday, March 29, 2007; 9 – 11 a.m. Chancellor's Conference Room; Signers' Hall Room 330	No agenda available
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## Master Planning Committee Meeting

March 29, 2007

Notes

**Members present:** K. Sikorski, D. Horner, C. Bennett, L. Anderson, M. Wohlford, G. Newman, D. Braddock, B. Krause, J. Greenberg, K. Sikorski

**Guests:** L. Hopkins, NCS

### 1) Welcome and Introductions

D. Horner chaired the meeting in R. Caulfield's absence. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am. New members Marc Wohlford (Facilities) and Josh Greenberg (SNRAS) were introduced and welcomed to the committee. Shirish Patil has also been appointed but will not be able to attend until after August 1.

### 2) Subcommittee reports

#### **Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art:**

There was nothing new to report from CLOA.

#### **Circulation and Parking**

Chris Bennett gave a quick synopsis about the parking kiosks. They will go into operation on the 2nd of April.

#### **North Campus**

Luke Hopkins reported that a working group has been formed to review the management plan for Ballaine Lake. They want to begin a proactive approach to managing the impacts on this area.

Luke mentioned the subdivision plan for the McGoffin property that is on the north side of Yankovich Road. The preliminary review of the plat plan by the Platting Board was postponed until the university can have a chance to review the plan and put together comments. There are several issues that have been identified so far, including water drainage on to the northern part of the North Campus, traffic increases on the trail system, proximity to LARS, and the placement of the bike path. Kristy Sherman of SW Land Management is drafting a response.

A longer ski season is anticipated this year due to the extended cold weather.

The winter walking trails have been somewhat implemented, but more work remains to be done in anticipation of next winter season.

No action has been forthcoming yet on a meeting with the stakeholders relative to moving the bike path behind the farm.

### **3) Facilities Services Update**

Marc Wohlford gave a comprehensive report on Facilities Services activities, including:

Hardpack removal on campus has begun

The bugs are still being worked out of Facility Focus, the software program utilized for work orders, etc.

DD&C participated in customer service training – looking at their customer service plan – need to make changes in how they educate the campus about what maintenance and construction is being done and why

Projects include AHRB east wing renovation, Art wing begins in May of '08, TVC mechanical/electrical upgrades, ADA upgrades to the elevator in Constitution Hall and Patty, LARS wash house to be installed, 70 FACMODS have been processed so far.

BIOS – The consultant team will be presenting the final design documents on April 18th to the committee. If funded, groundbreaking could be the middle of '08. Kiewit has been chosen as the contractor.

Two antenna proposals have been submitted to DD&C and were reviewed by Karl Petterson and MPC chair Rick Caulfield. Both proposals were approved by MPC; however, members felt it would be appropriate to conduct a review of the existing antenna policy to determine whether or not it is still appropriate, in light of anticipated increases in demand for placement of antennas on campus by both non-profit and for-profit entities.

D. Horner brought up the issue of the placement of the new SNRAS greenhouse. The existing structure will be removed to make way for BIOS, assuming funding is forthcoming. Currently, three locations are being considered: behind the Museum and east of BiRD/Virology (to be constructed); adjacent to the southwest wing of AHRB; and the overlook west of Tanana Loop at the junction of the Loop and Yukon Drive.

M. Wohlford reviewed each site and the pros and cons associated with each. The members agreed to go on record with the following recommendations but did not feel that a formal recommendation to the Chancellor was necessary at this point in time:

- 1) The overlook should not be considered as a site. First, it is not a designated building site in the Campus Master Plan(CMP). Also, there are several unknowns that need to be a part of an overall master plan action for this area. Those are the eventual configuration of Tanana Loop, the AFES plan (to be submitted to the MPC for review and comment in the near future), the North Campus plan, and the bike path. According to Marc Wohlford, this site would also be the most expensive, given that there is no infrastructure currently available.

- 2) North of the Museum, although it is the #1 choice of Facilities Services given its proximity to the utilidor, research buildings, and ease of access for students and staff, it is not a designated building site on the CMP. Also, the final design of the expanded parking lot for the Museum is currently being finished and will dictate where the building could be placed. D. Horner expressed concern about creating a

backglow on the Museum during the winter, and the SNRAS horticulturists were wondering about shadowing by the Museum in the spring and summer months.

3) Connecting the greenhouse to the SW wing of AHRB was seen as a very viable option by members. It is close to SNRAS as well as the faculty members who will be using it, and the utilities are readily accessible. Concern has been voiced by the VCAS that this is a designated building site. The suggestion was made that the greenhouse could be integrated into the design of whatever building eventually might end up on the larger designated site. The presence of a greenhouse along Yukon Drive was considered a positive addition, particularly during the winter months.

Marc will report back to the committee as conversations relative to the greenhouse progress.

#### **4) Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### **5) '07 Campus Master Plan review**

The small work group was meeting later that day to consider the timeline, task list, and assignment of tasks.

#### **6) Other**

There were no other topics for discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00. The next meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2007.