UAF Master Planning	Committee

Thursday, February 28, 2008; 9 – 11 a.m. Chancellor's Conference Room; Signers' Hall Room 330 No agenda available

Master Planning Committee Meeting

February 28, 2008 Notes

Attending: Deb Horner, Rich Boone, Dianne Milke, Bill Krause, Gary Newman, Sharish Patil, Dave Miller, George Owletuck, Joshua Greenberg, Scott McCrea, Luke Hopkins

Subcommittee Reports

Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art – Deb Horner

Deb gave an update on plans to solicit UArctic plant donations to the learning habitats on West Ridge Plaza. Chancellor Jones is attending a UArctic meeting in Scandinavia and will be distributing the West Ridge Plaza learning-habitats proposal to the representatives of UArctic institutions attending the meeting. Deb most likely will submit a proposal to the Peoples Endowment program to pay for learning-habitats signage.

Deb attended the Green Infrastructure Workshop recently held in Fairbanks. Gordy Schlosser, landscape planner in Fairbanks, is willing to serve on the Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art Committee.

Arbor Day celebration will be 1-2P Monday, May 19. There will be an hour-long dedication of the new learning habitat area that includes the milepost sign. There will be tree plantings in the habitat; Jack Townsend, who has provided a donation, will plant the first tree.

Circulation and Parking – no representation currently

North Campus Subcommittee – no representative present

Second February meeting was held on Feb 26th. Update of NSC accomplishments has been completed and is now being edited.

LARS to T-field walking trail (winter) location has been approved by CIGO manager.

NCS is considering requests from the Trails Club Chair, Stan Justice.

NCS is considering status of trail at the southern end of the 800' buffer around CIGO and requested that CIGO consider supporting the designation of the trail as an official winter trail that would be groomed. CIGO is willing to consider the designation and will bring the issue to Roger Smith.

Status of Campus Master Plan Update

Solicitation for comment to the update was included as a News item on the UAF web site. The announcement has gone to the Alumni Association. Six email comments have been received, including three on parking, one on ski trails, and one on goals. To see comments go to fymast on web mail (password required--MPC members see Deb Horner).

Facilities Services Update - Dave Miller

Work on Virology Building is progressing and is on schedule.

Arctic Health Research Building (AHRB) renovation is nearly complete. Occupants of the Art Wing (who will be relocated) will move into space now occupied by occupants of the renovated AHRB space (who will move back into AHRB shortly).

TVCC work (replacement of electrical and air handling services) has begun; most renovation will take place during the summer.

Facilities Services via UA has requested a funding commitment for deferred maintenance (renewal). Gary suggested that sustainability benefits could be part of the deferred maintenance request.

Deb pointed out that sustainability is becoming an accreditation metric. MPC members agreed that the creation of a standing MPC subcommittee on sustainability is a worthy idea. Rich will approach Chancellor Jones for approval.

Public Comment - none

Other

Troth Yeddha was adopted by Board of Regents (February 6-7, 2008 meeting) as the official name of land between the UA Museum and the Reichardt Building. There will be a blessing of the land at a ceremony tomorrow (Friday) at noon.

The Fairbanks North Star Borough, via the Interior Issues Council, held a meeting yesterday to support policy development to respond effectively to climate change. There is a Fairbanks Climate Change Taskforce to identify vulnerabilities and policy responses. Luke gave an overview of the meeting and the goals of the taskforce.

Next meeting will be Thursday, March 27, 2008.