Master Planning Committee Meeting  
June 10, 2010  
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Attending: Doug Braddock, Gary Newman, Randy Pitney, Steve Murphy, Joshua Greenberg, Jonathan Shambare, Dianne Milke, Bill Krause, Deb Horner, Rich Boone  

Welcome and Introductions  

BOR Review of Master Plan – Kathleen Schedler  
Rich announced that the BOR approved the new Campus Master Plan.  

Technical editing will now be completed with the final document possibly available by the end of the month.  

Kathleen summarized the recent BOR meeting and its consideration of the new campus master plan.
Kathleen pointed out that she had communicated to the BOR that their earlier concerns and issues were addressed in the plan and that their policy had strengthened the new campus master plan.

BOR was very positive about the plan.

Regent Wickersham said he would like to see architectural and sign standards. BOR considered the plan for adoption without the inclusion of architectural standards.

Dianne asked if Marketing will do a communications piece. MPC will pursue this further with Scott McCrea.

Rich and Dianne asked about the status of the TVC plan. Jonathan replied that the process is underway to revise the rural campuses’ master plans; the budget and funding is being determined. The work will include the TVC master plan. The TVC master plan that was completed last year (and not formally adopted) doesn’t fully comply with the BOR 12 planning principles.

**Subcommittee Report: Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art**

There will be a tree dedication ceremony for Les Viereck and Bob Wheeler on Friday June 25 at 10 a.m.

Bob was particularly involved in the proposal to establish a birch grove on West Ridge. Until the procedure for naming is defined, the trees will be planted without a formal naming of the area. The signs for the birch tree grove will be temporary. A Siberian fir from Les’s exotic tree plantation will be planted as well. A local Girl Scout troop, Bev Wheeler, and Teri Viereck will participate; the Alaska Chapter of SAF will give Bob the Forester of the Year award posthumously.

Deb would let Scott McCrea know about the event.

Deb talked about the need for procedures for selecting and locating exterior and interior art. Jonathan noted that there are established procedures through UA Statewide. The procedures are project-specific. There is a need for a committee that would take responsibility for art on campus.
Deb will draft suggestions and bring them to MPC at its next meeting.

**Facilities Services Update – Jonathan Shambare**
Critical electrical work by the power plant and the Fairbanks Street bridge is underway.

Site work is underway for the energy technology test module. UAF received $3 M for the work; the test module building will evaluate different energy sources.

Installation of the sculpture for the new Virology Building will begin this week.

The sewer upgrade along Thompson Drive is underway.

Constitution Hall restroom upgrades will begin in July and will be completed by October.

Repair work on the road by Chapman will start soon.

Renovation of the western side of Arctic Health is nearly completed. There will most likely be a ribbon cutting and reception at the end of June/early July.

Gary asked if the MPC has seen concept plans for the greenhouse. Deb noted that the concepts were presented as part of the plans for the new life sciences building. Jonathan will share them at the next meeting.

Discussions are underway about moving the existing greenhouse (east of the Irving Building) given that funding is not secured.

Randy asked if there is an overall renovation plan for Constitution Hall. Jonathan replied that the restroom renovation would be consistent with any future building plans. There are no funds available to upgrade the elevator. ADA funds will be used to improve the restrooms, but the ADA funding can’t meet the cost of the elevator upgrade.

Dianne asked if there will be a bridge from Wood Center to Constitution Hall. Jonathan replied that it is possible over the long term. She asked if there are any
other campus buildings needing elevator access. Jonathan replied there is one inadequate elevator in Wood Center.

Randy asked about the large dirt pile across from Lola Tilly. Jonathan replied that Facilities will do its best to remove the pile before the winter.

Dianne asked if the path from Alumni Drive towards West Valley (the one over the bridge) is cleared during the winter. Jonathan will check with Bear (Darrin Edson) at Facilities.

**Subcommittee Report: North Campus**

Rich summarized the report from Nicole Nordstrand. Rich raised concerns about the Campus Invasive Plant Management Plan; it hasn’t been approved by the MPC.

Rich will ask Bob Shefchik to inquire about the status of the Farm Plan and the Campus Invasive Plant Management Plan. He also will ask Bob Shefchik about the North Campus Management Plan, Landscape Plan, and other sub-plans regarding whether the plans need addenda.

Deb asked about the need for a parking and circulation working group (upper level issues).

Dianne asked if a sustainability working group will be formed.

Gary suggested inviting Martin Kline (Parking Services) to the next MPC meeting to find out if a parking and circulation working group would be useful for him.

Randy asked about the steps at McIntosh Hall and the angle (reversed) on Thompson Drive. Jonathan will check on the steps issue. Jonathan will report on the Thompson Drive issue at the next meeting.

Gary asked about the $8M allocated from the Governor. The funding will be used for the new energy test-module building.

**Public Comment - none**
Meeting adjourned at 10:30A.

Next regular meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 15.