UAF Master Planning Committee Meeting Agenda

Thursday, November 4, 2010, 2011; 9 – 11 a.m.

Chancellor's Conference Room; Signers' Hall Room 330

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Facilities Services Update
- 3) Campus Invasive Plant Management Plan
- 4) Archery Range Proposal
- 5) Subcommittee Report: Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art
- 6) Subcommittee Report: North Campus
- 7) Public Comment Period

Master Planning Committee Meeting November 4, 2010 Notes

Attending: Doug Braddock, Nicole Nordstrand, Bill Krause, Gary Newman, Lydia Anderson, Jonathan Shambare, Da'ka'xeen Mehner, Joshua Greenberg, Bonita Dainowski, Steve Murphy, Scott McCrae (arrived after Invasive Plant Management Plan vote), Derek Miller, Deb Horner, Rich Boone

Guests: Marie Heidemann, Robert Hunter, Roger Weggel

Welcome and Introductions

Facilities Services Update - Jonathan Shambare

Facilities and Land Management Committee of the Board of Regents approved the concept design for the Life Science Building; it will next go to the full BOR on November 9.

The next step will be to secure a contractor.

Total project is \$118M, which includes the greenhouse and the utilities upgrade.

A high priority is to get the steel constructed.

Spring 2014 is a target occupation date.

Contractor for project will be selected by the end of December.

Three contractors are now being considered for the greenhouse construction project.

Roundabout project is moving ahead. Design and Construction is working with DOT to begin the design process. It will be a federal project, which will include design requirements. UAF will provide the design funding. DOT will design the project. Deb Horner asked if the plans for the new entryway to campus will be included in the concept design, and Jonathan indicated that the campus master plan would be consulted.

Chancellor presented North Tanana Loop and roundabout to FMATS and identified the roundabout as the higher priority.

NIH is reviewing the proposal for the Arctic Health Atrium in-fill project.

Process to move occupants of west wing of Old UPark is underway, although the schedule has been pushed back due to unanticipated delays on a number of fronts.

Campus Invasive Plant Management Plan

Several people had identified the problem of invasive plants on campus.

Susan Todd held an open meeting.

Forest Service provided funding for a student project. Jessica Guritz conducted an inventory and map of invasive plants on campus.

Marie as a grad student developed the plan as her Master's project.

A Task Force was formed and included broad university representation.

Met nine times February – May 2010.

Recommendations are those from the Task Force.

Zones were defined with different people responsible for each zone.

Committee members asked Marie several questions.

Steve pointed out that the details of the eradication scheme would have to be worked out. A regional approach is necessary. Coordination with the Forest Service and other agencies would be helpful.

Rich raised concerns about the impacts of herbicide on research and teaching areas.

Marie pointed out that the Borough may start some invasive plant management, especially the Chena Lakes area.

Motion from Gary (seconded by Deb):

The MPC recommends for approval the Invasive Plant Management Plan pending supportive review and comment by the IAB Director and appropriate plant biologist(s) in the Department of Biology & Wildlife.

Motion approved unanimously 13-0

Archery Range Proposal

Bob Hunter is in charge of Alaska hunter education.

Bob was charged with establishing an archery range in Fairbanks.

ADF&G has \$10K marked for seed money.

Archery Trade Association may be an additional source of funding.

Dan Jordan (UAF), Bob (ADF&G), and Roger Weggel (CTC) would proceed to design the range.

Bob gave an overview of the process.

Bob mentioned the National Archery in the Schools program. Over 53 schools in Alaska have incorporated National Archery in the Schools program.

Roger is Asst. Prof. at CTC. He teaches a class at Ryan Middle School. Roger approached Dan Jordan, who was supportive. UAF started an archery club last year. Roger is the faculty lead for the club. Roger shoots with Senior Olympics and works with Junior Olympics as well. UAF now has students who have gone through the National Archery in the Schools program.

Bob provided a Concept Presentation packet.

Lydia asked if it would bring in revenue. Nicole said it wouldn't bring in revenue.

Bob said a user fee is often associated with a range. There is a range in Anchorage with a user fee. Deb felt that a user fee should be discouraged.

Steve asked if there are any downrange trails. Nicole answered that there are trails and that North Campus Subcommittee's assessment is that a roof over the shooting spot and a berm in the back of the range would ensure that there is no safety issue for trail users. Bob pointed out that a roof at the spot of shooting can also

Deb made the following motion (seconded by Gary):

MPC recommends approval of Range Road as the designated site for a community archery range. Use of the site is contingent upon a Memorandum of Agreement between ADF&G and UAF.

Motion passed unanimously 14-0.

Subcommittee Report: Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art

Committee looked at the sculpture by the Art Department that may need to be relocated. Risk Management is assessing the issue; it is waiting for additional information from the appropriate state authorities.

Lydia asked by a student group about commissioning a mural for a building on campus. It is the west-facing wall of Constitutional Hall.

Deb responded that the building's status as an historical building may restrict any changes to the exterior.

Deb pointed out that there are no written guidelines for art on campus.

Jonathan mentioned that some guidelines have been drafted with Kit Duke.

Deb will pursue the development of art on campus guidelines with Art. Dept. chair, David Mollett.

Subcommittee Report: North Campus

Jason started trail grooming.

North Campus Subcommittee is recruiting for a new community member. Pete has sent an announcement to Dermot Cole for inclusion in Dermot's column. Scott recommended sending the information to Tim Mowry.

Public Comment

Meeting adjourned at 11:00A.

Next regular meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2010.