

UAF Master Planning Committee Meeting

Meeting Notes: August 31, 2020

In attendance: Joshua Greenberg, Carla Browning, Cameron Wohlford, Kara Axx, Nathan Belz, Holly Beamon, Donna Gardino, Gary Neuman, Mark Oldmixon, Kathleen Merkel, John George, Pat Druckenmiller, Doug Schrage

1. Welcome and Introductions:

2. **Bus 142:** Dr. Patrick Druckenmiller, provided a presentation on background and events to-date regarding Bus 142. He stated that they are in the early planning stages for developing the Bus exhibition. The Bus is owned by the State (DNR), which has agreed for the bus to be housed at UAF and exhibited the Alaska Museum of the North. UAF was chosen because of the museum's strong curation and exhibition record and its status as one of three state historic repositories.

It will be accepted by UAF for storage by the end of September. Dr. Druckenmiller indicated that a preliminary preferred site for permanent exhibition has been identified on the north side of the museum in a wooded setting (north of the parking lot). As currently envisioned, the cleared area located in close proximity to the museum would have a fence enclosure, be easily ADA accessible path, and have security cameras and interpretive panels. A set of challenges (see below) were provided in the presentation and discussed by the MPC with none appearing to be particularly problematic at this time.

Challenges:

- Close to Troth Yeddha'
- Permafrost
- Accessibility
- Security
- Parking

The presented phases for exhibition are....

- Initial phase of transferring and temporary housing (sept. 2020)
- Assessment and Cataloging Fall 2020
- Conservation and stabilization Winter 2020-21
- Exhibition Design Winter 2020
- Site preparation Summer 2021
- Installation
- Grand Opening 2022 or 2023

A Community advisory group is being formed to assist in developing the design of the exhibit. Kara Axx will serve as the MPC representative on the advisory group. The MPC requested that Dr. Druckenmiller keep University Relations involved as exhibition planning moves forward

3. Chancellor request to MPC (see attachment)

The Chancellor asked the MPC think about how to identify spaces and places on campus that may not convey our priority on being a respectful, diverse, inclusive and caring environment. This could include such areas as Native Alaska signage, organization of campus physical space and other opportunities the committee may identify. In response, a new Inclusivity

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subcommittee of the MPC was formed. Holly Beamon, who will take the lead in forming the committee, Carla Browning, Doug Schrage, Kathleen Meckel, and Cameron Wohlford volunteered to join the subcommittee. The expressed intention of the committee was to take a holistic rather than piecemeal approach that would provide for a consistent format and application.

4. Subcommittee and additional reports

a. North Campus

Subcommittee has not met. A Zoom meeting is planned in the next month.

Trying to come up with a plan on how to do events on the trails and noted that Relations has come up with a really good plan that could be utilized. However, the ski hut maintenance is still an issue, and closure is being considered, although other suggestions for keeping it clean and well maintained are welcomed.

b. Campus Landscape

No report. Community garden went fairly well except the ongoing issue with theft of property last year and vegetables this year.

c. Sustainability

RISE board has been very proactive in adapting its programming to the adjusted covid UAF environment.

5. Facilities Services update

Road project is nearly complete and working on landscaping and pedestrian barrier walls. They will have lighting and aluminum panels for the pedestrian concrete walkways. Should be done with landscaping this week.

The whole landscape boxes in the core were removed. They are considering what to do in this area. Piping will be upgraded by the Bunnell building.

Working with Energy and replacing the dead trees.

Covid work includes helping the custodial efforts, planning efforts for cleaning, purchasing cleaning materials, and maintenance has installed plexi-glass all over the campus. HVAC has been working on the systems throughout the campus.

Sewer line at U-Park froze, water line had to be replaced, and electrical feed was replaced. Paving should occur soon.

Additional Business

The MPC chair proposed changing the MPC schedule to meeting once a month. **Motion:** The MPC meeting will be changed from Thursday to the first Monday of the month from 9am -11am for the 2020-2021 academic year. Made by Donna seconded by Carla. Passed unanimously. Doug Schrage will serve as MPC representative at the Chancellor's Core Cabinet meetings.

6. Public comment period.

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No public present

7. Schedule Next Meeting: October 5, 9:00 am

Adjourned at 10:49 am.