

UAF North Campus Subcommittee Agenda March 11, 2003; 12 p.m. (noon) Facilities Services Conference Room, RM 122	No agenda available
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UAF North Campus Subcommittee Meeting

March 11, 2003

Notes

Attendees:

Carol Adamczak, Tim Stallard, Mike Suplis, Pat Holloway, Peter Fix, Mike Hay

Next meeting, Mar 25, R, 174 Arctic Health, 8:30-10a.m.

We reviewed documents prepared by Peter Fix relating to the public meeting posters. The documents (attached) provided an excellent review of the issues and value statements to be covered at the public meetings. All committee members agreed to critically review those documents and provide input directly to Peter about format for the posters and key issues that need to be pulled from the summaries for the posters.

Peter provided sample surveys with the documents, and we decided they should be handed out at the public meetings to gather additional information.

At the meetings we will have:

1. posters with lots of pictures, big maps and key issues to stimulate public comment

2. Surveys
3. Fact sheets, one on the description and history, others on the value statements

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PLEASE READ THE SUMMARIES AND RETURN YOUR COMMENTS TO PETER IMMEDIATELY!

Tim Stallard gave us an update on the 11 x 17 color posters to be placed all over campus. He will also give committee members some copies for distribution as far and wide as possible. He received pictures from Peter Fix,, and the poster layout was completed by the Wood Center graphics layout crew. They should be available next week,.

We discussed a variety of issues relating to management of the lands and how one gets permission to do anything in the area. There are a lot of pieces to this issue that need sorting out such as land use permits, work order requests, notification of events on the "Event Planner". Pat Holloway talked to Linda Zanazzo about the land use permits. Linda, in turn, will provide information on when they are necessary, who must approve the use, and who is exempt. More on this later.

Mike Supkis described the existing "Event Planner" calendar maintained on the health and safety web site. When events are scheduled anywhere on campus, this site links that information to security, fire, facilities services, etc. all the individuals who might need to respond to these events. It sounds like something the north campus subcommittee needs to include in any events schedule for the north campus area. More on that later.

We discussed some of the points addressed in a memo sent earlier from Pat Holloway to the subcommittee on maintenance issues in the North campus area. Actions taken on that memo include:

The committee approved:

1. Establishing a work order system for all maintenance work requests in the north campus area. This may involve requesting a modification to the work order web site to include the north campus area. This work order system will specifically exclude grooming of the ski trails.

2. Sending a request to the Master Planning committee to appoint a member of Facilities Service grounds maintenance staff as an ex officio member of the North Campus subcommittee
3. Summer work requests by Ed Foster:
 - a. continue annual mowing maintenance of the trails
 - b. Resolve an issue relating to hazardous barriers designed to keep snowmobilers off the trails. We will assist Ed in resolving issues between horse owners and skiers relating to the height and possible style of these barriers. Once a good compromise is agreed upon, Ed will proceed to remove the hazardous barriers and replace them.
4. All other requests for trails maintenance and construction are on hold until after the public meetings and when the committee is satisfied they have enough information to proceed. We request that Ed Foster prepare a list of all projects and evaluate them in terms of disturbance level. Will the project result in irreversible changes to the North Campus area? Are there some quick fixes that might help solve an immediate problem without significantly impacting existing conditions? Following prioritization, we will meet with Ed Foster to discuss additional maintenance projects that might be completed.

Other issues were touched upon but need more work:

1. Land manager position- begin to discuss the type of person we might hire to be a land manager, qualifications, where they would be housed, responsibilities. All committee members are asked to think about what this person should do so we can begin to formulate a job description. Keep in mind there is no money for this (yet).
2. Consider hiring an outside consultant for developing a trails maintenance and management plan
3. Consider a process similar to an Environmental impact statement for future users of the area; perhaps a checklist of people who need to have input on proposed projects; perhaps a kind of "Event Planner" notification system; perhaps a list of questions to make sure use is compatible with master plan. Just a good thought from Mike Supkis.

Attached: working documents from Peter Fix and memo to committee from Pat Holloway.