

UAF North Campus Subcommittee Agenda February 6, 2006; 12 p.m. (noon) Facilities Services Conference Room, RM 122	No agenda available
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UAF North Campus Subcommittee Meeting

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Notes

Present: Tim Stallard, Dan Osborne, Pete Fix, Scott Jerome, Rich Boone (chair), Luke Hopkins (ex officio and North Campus Manager)

Meeting came to order at 12:05 PM

Manager's Report – Luke Hopkins

Fairbanks Shakespeare Theater (FST) will locate their Summer 2006 production to the wooded area north of the museum (outside the North Campus).

Luke reported on the February 2, 2006 meeting of the Master Planning Committee (MPC). At the MPC meeting John Craven had raised a concern about reports of a “squashed motion” within the North Campus Subcommittee (NCS). Luke offered at the meeting that he was not aware of a squashed motion and suggested that perhaps Craven was referring to an email from the Chancellor regarding walking trails. Luke had pointed out that the email was forwarded to the North Campus Subcommittee after the NCS Chair contacted the Chancellor for approval to distribute the email. Kathleen Schedler presented a plan at the

MPC for building sites west of the Natural Sciences Building.

Luke forwarded information to the Circulation & Parking (C&P) Subcommittee regarding suggestions for connections between campus trails and the North Campus as well as for expansion of the trail network on the central campus. Chris Bennett (Chair of the C&P Subcommittee) will be forming a working group of members from the NCS and C&P Subcommittees to formulate a joint plan.

Luke and Rich met with Nick Nugent (President of the Nordic Ski Club of Fairbanks, NCSF) regarding formulation of a Memorandum of Agreement between the NSCF and UAF regarding trail grooming in the North Campus.

Luke commented on the plan from Alaska Fish & Game (AF&G) for fish stocking in Ballaine Lake. Comments from UAF are still welcome. A stocking of 3000 fish/yr in Ballaine Lake is planned for 2006 and 2007. The AF&G plan allows for a maximum stocking of 8,000 fish.

Luke will meet with Dr. Kim during the week of February 20, 2006 regarding his request to locate equipment on North Campus, near a research site used by Dan Osborne.

Rich asked whether the NCS should review the Ballaine Lake stocking plan. Luke is drafting comments on the plan now. Rich suggested that discussion of the plan be included as a agenda item for the next NCS meeting.

Public Comment

Stan Justice shared UAF put a high school student from Eagle River in touch with him regarding the trails at UAF. The student is a skier and may be interested in attending UAF.

Don Lokken suggested upgrading the ramp/entry to Ballaine Lake for winter access.

There were general comments about the need to upgrade the Calypso Nature Trail.

Old Business

CIGO Trail issues: Luke provided a reminder that the NCS at its January 9, 2006 meeting passed a motion to relocate the Beaver Slide Trail (outside the 500' buffer around the CIGO facility) to satisfy concerns of CIGO staff. There was a discussion about the connector trail to the north of the CIGO site. Jack Townsend favors elimination of the trail. Luke reported that Roger Smith (GI Director) appears open to a compromise solution. Luke presented the option of a compromise solution that would involve some realignment of the trail so that it crosses the CIGO road further north of its current location, which is near the CIGO parking area. Rich and Dan both supported the concept of a compromise solution.

Update on walking trails: Pete gave an update on the web page survey to obtain input on walking trails. The web page will be active shortly. There was a general discussion of a timetable for getting a walking trail plan to the MPC. The following was decided:

early March (first 2 weeks): focus groups on walking trails

mid-March: Comment period ends for comments via the NCS web site

mid-March to mid-April: Formulate plan for walking trails

April 15-30: Obtain public comment on walking trail plan

Early May: Forward final walking trail plan to MPC.

Skarland Trail grooming: There was a brief discussion about whether the northwest portion of the Skarland 6-mile Trail should be groomed or not. The discussion was tabled for continuation at the next NCS meeting on Monday, February 20, 2006.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30P.