

<p>UAF North Campus Subcommittee Agenda</p> <p>March 12, 2014; 12 p.m. (noon) Facilities Services Conference Room, RM 122</p>	<p><u>Committee Members</u> Mark Oldmixon (chair), Linda Zanazzo, Scott Jerome, Dan Callahan, Jim Brashear, Ken Tape, David Fee, Kara Axx (ex of), Jason Garron (ex of)</p> <p><u>Approval of Minutes</u></p> <p><u>Agenda - Changes / approval</u></p> <p><u>Manager's Report</u></p> <p><u>Public Comment - 3 minutes</u></p> <p><u>New Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lindy Larson - Kids activities in NC ○ Fat tire biking on Ski Trails ○ 2014 Summer Maintenance <p><u>Second Public Comment - 3 minutes</u></p> <p><u>Next Meeting Date:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 9, 2014
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UAF North Campus Subcommittee Meeting

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Notes

Members present :

Mark Oldmixon, Linda Zanazzo, Jason Garron (ex of), Ken Tape, Kara Axx (manager), David Fee, Dan Callahan, Scott Jerome

Members Absent : James Brashear

Guests : Jonathan Shambare

Agenda approved

Mangers Report:

- NCS website is being updated regularly with agenda and minute
- Research Update: Raptor Falcon boxes requested. Proximity to Sparrow boxes is a concern. Both research groups believe they can both exist but with strategic placement. No need for formal NCS approval
- Trails and Greenways plan was presented at MPC, updates being made. Presentation to Chancellor's Cabinet scheduled in near future.

Public Comment – 3 minutes

Stan Justice: Request NCS publish meetings on trail-l list-serv with agenda. Stan would encourage tracks to set earlier and left set after Ski-a-thon in Arboretum.

Elijah Lyke – 2 concerns about biking on trails; trail degradation and safety. Prefers no change to UAF trail policy. UAF is a great place to learn to ski.

Lindy Larson – Wants to enhance child wellness by making the trails for family friendly. Lindy will work with Kara and Mark to develop ideas. NCS will be informed of any initiatives and decide as needed.

Heike Merkel – Would like to allow FatBikes on trails. Motivated as a bike commuter, but has skied for 14 years. Would like to ride on the trails versus Yakovich for safety reasons. Commercial areas have allowed in the Lower 48. Crowds not a problem, trails are empty. Phased implementation seems to be successful elsewhere. Surface area of FatBikes is lower impact than skis, according to the science.

David Fee: What is allowed for biking now?

Mark Oldmixon; Allowed on Commuter trail, LARS to Satellite dish walking trails, and SRC trail. Not allowed on pooch-loop.

Jonathan: UAF is working with DOT to provide a bike path around Sheep Creek, Miller Hill and Yankovich. Construction to start in July from Round-About. 1/3 will be completed this year. Private property rights are a hurdle. Will be a separated bike path.

Stan: Pointed out the off-campus trail North of Skarland, parallel to Yankovich.

Scott: Against the idea for numerous reasons. How would we police details; tire-width, temp/pressure, and safety? Worried about skinny tires.

Heike: Can't police. Don't expect a large group. Concerned about assumptions NCS is making.

The voting and approval process was explained. NCS would get public comment, vote and send recommendation to MPC which if approved, would go to Chancellor Rogers for approval. Process explained.

Jonathan: Will DOT Bike path change your request?

Heike: Speaking for herself. In general it would be nice to have biking open in general. The bike path does help her personal commute. UAF is a campus and needs

Bruce Gard: Cyclist, runner, skier. UAF is a beginner ski friendly location. Has Fat biked and disagrees that it won't impact the area.

Sally Enestad: Speaking on behalf of Audun. Olympic biker herself. Many other places in town to bike and only 2 areas exclusive to skiing.

Bruce Jamison: Co-president of Nordic Ski club. Birch is the "elitist" area and aggressive trail system. UAF is a great place with a different style of trail. Bruce and John Estle wrote echoing letters. Safety and quality of experience are the issues at hand. The ruts will create dangerous ruts of skate skiers. Details are unenforceable.

Stan Justice: Expand knowledge of opportunities available to bikers via the map. Stan has pushed for other connections and ideas. Nothing has happened with the Master Plan or MPC.

Scott: Take offense to Stan's attacks. The NCS does not have the purse strings to make everything happen that Stan and Trails Club requests. Sometimes a non-decision is the decision.

New Business:

Roller ski loop: 3k roller loop, 12 feet wide, paved. Steve Sparrow is receptive. Eventually would like to have snow making and a tunnel under Butrovich Hill. This path is needed for safety as roller skiing on the roads is extremely dangerous.

Fat Bikes:

David Fee motioned for further discussion by the committee. Ken Tape seconded. Committee conversation focused on the broad idea of bikes and the inability to police the trails. Safety was a major concern all around. While biking as a whole doesn't seem to be welcome, specific biking trails, corridors would be more appealing to some committee members. Should this idea be considered a possibility; public comment would be gathered outside of the meetings via a survey and/or tabling. Officially, David Fee retracted his motion when a vote was called for by Scott Jerome. There is no motion on the table currently.