

July 10, 2013; 12 p.m. (noon)
Facilities Services Conference
Room, RM 122

Committee Members Peter Fix, Linda Zanazzo,
Scott Jerome, Dan Callahan, Mark Oldmixon,
Knut Kielland, Jim Brashear, Kara Axx (ex of),
Jason Garron (ex of),

Approval of Minutes

Agenda - Changes / approval

Manager's Report

Public Comment – 3 minutes

New Business

- Roller Ski Loop
- Skiathon/Arboretum
- Improved Smith Lake Access
- Beginner Learning Area Expansion
- Road Closure During Spring
Thaw

Second Public Comment – 3 minutes

Next Meeting Date:

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- ASF reflector for antennae scheduled to be installed August 8th to the 30th. Coordination will occur for the August 17th high school running race. The UAF running race is scheduled for Sept. 5th; only affected if installation is delayed.
 - Ski hut work is complete. Twenty keys were issued.
1. Ski hut: leave open or lock and issue keys?
 - In the past it has been left open.
 - The committee felt that 1) there have not been issues with vandalism in the past, 2) there is nothing in there to steal, and 3) the purpose of the ski hut is to allow use by trail users essentially 24/7.
 - The NCS recommended keeping the historic “unlocked” policy.
 2. Deon Barnes research application

Devon Barnes submitted a research application to study the effects of moisture level on the forest floor. He proposed to pump water from Smith Lake and, using hoses running across the T-Field Rd., apply it to study sites to the east of the T-Field Rd.

- The proposal was unclear regarding the duration of the study, the types of pump, and the size of the hose running across the T-Field.
- The proposal asked for vehicle access, the committee was concerned about driving when the road was wet.
- Concern was also expressed over existing research in the area.
- A phone call was made to Devon. That call clarified:
 - a. The study duration included time to sample prior to the moisture treatment and time to sample after the treatment
 - b. The pumping of water/water application would only take place one night, and would be late at night
 - c. The pump and hose would only need to be in place one night
 - d. The experiment requires a dry period, so driving when the road is wet is not an issue

- e. The researcher was not aware of the eddy-covariance tower located in the area
- f. The researcher had not actually visited the site

It was arranged for Jason Garron and Peter Fix to meet with Devon the following day to inspect the site.

- o The site did not have the desired vegetation and would not work anyway.
- o Jason suggested alternative sites on North Campus.