September 9, 2015; 12 p.m. (noon) Facilities Services Conference Room, RM 122 No agenda available

September 9, 2015 Notes

: Mark Oldmixon, Kara Axx (Ex-off), Ken Tape, Martin Klein, Dan Callahan, Nick Crawford, Jason Garron (Ex-off)

: David Fee Alan Tonne

: none

Minutes approved from August

DOT working on transitions from trails to bike path. The flooded trail is awaiting to lower water or they may pump up. When site is released, FS will patch work as needed and install new barriers between path and NC.

Alumni Association supported development of the Himalaya trail.

None

UAF Trails Club is an official UAF Student Org. They annually produce a list of priorities to improve the trails. They are frustrated to not make the agenda on a regular basis. Mark offered to put the top 3 items on the agenda and have action finalized.

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Jason doesn't believe students have that opportunity as easily accessible.

- Trail designation needs to be identified.
- Nick is supportive of grooming or at least packing. Jason wants to reduce regulation in that area. The area is used by a wide variety of users, not just skiers.
- Kara, Jason, and Dan are concerned with the ripple effect of grooming the trails. Will it lead to skate lanes and then separated walking trails. Jason would need cut 20 trees if grooming was going to be regular.
- Nick argues that they are maintained, despite what is dragged. Nick believes if we are already running the snow machines in the area, might as well drag it.
- Dan says the online comments are not requesting it, don't change.
 Dan supports the existing policy.
- Jason is concerned about additional man power required to maintain the additional mileage.
- Nick still concerned about the "packed maintained." Nick wants all or nothing.
- Martin concerned setting a track will add conflicts.
- Conversation turned towards perhaps the ski-a-thon should not be out there in the first place. Martin doesn't see the historical value of running the ski-a-thon through there.

NCS moves that the area stays unmaintained and will only be packed to prepare for the ski-a-thon as resources allow. Motion by Dan, Seconded by Ken. Passed unanimously (5-0).

: we briefly discussed making a skate lane to Smith Lake. Should Big Whizzy be two-way traffic in that area or possibly the whole trail?