



Minutes were approved on 10-05-05

**University of Florida Comprehensive Master Plan, 2005-2015
Master Plan Steering Committee
September 16, 2005
Facilities Planning and Construction Office Conference Room
226 Stadium
MINUTES**

Members Present:

Ms. Linda Dixon, Facilities Planning & Construction Division
Joe Aufmuth, University Libraries
Jackie Ayers, Student Health
Jerry Cutler, Art & Art History
Norb Dunkel, Housing Division
Jean Larson, Mathematics
Kenneth Quesenberry, Agronomy
Carol Walker, Facilities Planning & Construction

Members Absent:

Barry Ache, Whitney Lab & the Center for Smell & Taste
John Black, Physical Plant
Michael Bowie, College of Education
Jane Brockmann, Zoology
Mike Brodeur, Pharmacy
Betha Cato, Health and Human Performance
Bruce Delaney, UF Foundations
Rick Drummond, Dept. of Growth Management
Tom Emmel, Florida Museum of Natural History
Joseph Goldberg, Student
Eleanor Green, Large Animal Clinic Sciences
Tina Gurucharri, Landscape Architecture
Gene Hemp, Mechanical & Aerospace Eng.
Marc Hoit, Academic Affairs
Chip Howard, UAA
Marjorie Hoy, Entomology & Nematology
Denise Jean-Louis, Student
Joe Little, College of Law
Ama Mathewos, Student
Nancy Mendenhall, Radiology & Oncology

Dean Mimms, Community Development Department
Jim Morgan, Business Services Division
Dave O'Brien, Physical Plant Division
Jim Pettigrew, Radiology
Brad Pollitt, Facilities Development, Shands
Greg Rivers, Facilities Planning & Operations, IFAS
Tom Saunders, Community Development Department
Rich Segal, Pharmacy Health Care
Dave Stopka, Student Affairs
Theresa Verneston, College of Education Student Services
Bryan Weber, College of Nursing
Rick Yost, Chemistry

Visitors:

Erick Smith, Physical Plant Division
Clay Montague, Environment Engineering Science

The University Comprehensive Master Plan 2005-2015 Master Plan Steering Committee (MPSC) met Thursday, September 16, 2005 at Facilities Planning and Construction Office, 232 Stadium West Conference Room. Linda Dixon, Chair, presided and called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

I. Welcome and Introductions

After welcoming members to the Master Plan Steering Committee meeting Ms. Linda Dixon, chair, introduced herself to the committee asked committee members to introduce themselves.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: Joe Aufmuth made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

Second: Jean Larson

III. Adoption of August 26, 2005 Minutes

Motion: Ken Quesenberry moved to approve the August 26, 2005 minutes as presented.

Second: Joe Aufmuth

Motion carried unanimously

IV. Data Master Plan Policies

Linda Dixon presented to the Master Plan Steering Committee for review and discussion draft policies for the Conservation Element, Stormwater Sub-Element and, policy modifications the Conservation Study Committee (CSC) made based on recommendations they received from Dr. Ken Quensenberry.

Dr. Quensenberry recommended having a statement in the conservation element policies regarding using the resources and expertise of campus faculty and academic programs to identify, prioritize, and develop a plan for elimination of exotic species. As a result of this comment, the Conservation Study Committee developed Policy 1.2. Linda indicated that all other policies were renumbered under Objective 1.0. The language in policy 1.2 is as follow:

Policy 1.2: University faculty and student groups with the necessary expertise shall be encouraged to assist in prioritizing exotic invasive plant removal and developing revegetation plans to reduce the possibility of reinvasion of these areas by exotic species.

Linda also presented a modification to text in Policy 4.9 that was just approved by the Conservation Study Committee.

Under Objective 2.0, Dr. Quensenberry's had concerns regarding treatment of buffers around water bodies. Linda Dixon stated that the Conservation Study Committee spent a lot time discussing no mow or infrequent mow zones around water bodies and management techniques for buffers. They also discussed what would be the appropriate kinds of replanting around water bodies. Linda stated that rather than have a universal policy in the master plan that says we should or should not mow or plant. The CSC concluded that these decisions are site specific and refer to the Conservation Land Management Plan (CALM) to get specific guidance about each location.

Dr. Quensenberry stated that he was still concerned that the statement in Policy 2.3 may be too strong that says, "...shall use only native plants..." He didn't think the university should reject outright less costly alternatives that are demonstrated to be non-invasive and adapted to the conditions. He suggested modifying the sentence to read, "...shall, whenever feasible, use native plants..." Linda Dixon stated that the CSC discussed these issues at their last meeting and voted that the word 'only' should remain in that sentence. Their rationale was that the uniqueness of these areas around the water bodies was such that staying strictly with native plants was the appropriate thing to do. Erick Smith stated that the majority of the native plants are available. He felt expense and availability issues are not a concern in this case.

Motion: Joe Aufmuth made a motion to approve the draft Conservation Element as amended including the new policy 1.2 and modified Policy 4.9.

Second: Norb Dunkel

Motion carried unanimously

Linda Dixon presented the draft Stormwater Sub-Element Policies for review and approval including three policies and a related stormwater improvements map that was just approved by the CSC.

- Committee members reviewed comments from Dean Mimm from the City of Gainesville.
- In Policy 2.1, Joe Aufmuth suggested changing the word general to ranked and number them in priority order.

Motion: Joe Aufmuth made a motion to adopt the Stormwater Element Draft as Amended including new policies 2.6, 2.7 and 2.8.

Second: Tom Emmel

Motion carried unanimously

VI. The Meeting Adjourned at 2:17 PM