

# OCF Path Planning Committee Minutes

Date: Sunday, October 16th, 2011

Time: Noon to 3:00

Location: Hub Yurt

## Agenda

### **Preliminaries:**

#### **Introductions**

Colleen Bauman, Chewie Burgess, Dennis Todd, Chris Browne, Dean Middleton, Deane Morrow, Jay Hogan, Jon Pincus, Paxton Hoag, Steve Wisnovsky, Susanna DeFazio, Bear Pitts, David Tipton, PeggyDay Fitzgerald.

(Not everyone signed in and I remembered as well as I could)

#### **Announcements**

Newly elected BOD member names were announced and applauded.

Recording person has returned, committee showed appreciation, thank you.

#### **Elect Secretary**

Dean M was nominated, seconded and accepted by unanimous vote for Path Planning Secretary.

There were no May minutes due to Scribe's PC being stolen.

A vote to accept Chris's report to the Board as May minutes was seconded and accepted.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The September 18 minutes were accepted with 5 abstentions.

Questions about discussions during last meeting. It was felt that many things were missing and/or misleading.

#### **Public comments**

None

#### **Agenda Review/Approve/Amend**

Removed Old Business item After Hours Craft sales Niche

#### **Staff Reports**

Charlie was absent.

Steve spoke about his absence last meeting but he met with David & Kirk to discuss operation's plans for Gypsy Way. They walked around the site and they want the Path Planning Committee to tell them what they would like to see besides the Child Care so they can create a capital projects budget to submit that includes the materials. You can now see what was done first. The water crew brought a trencher and hooked up the water system in main camp and it is to be finished in the Spring. It has been graded and seeded with a Sports Field mix and now is germinating. He feels the new ground cover will survive the construction if we use appropriate equipment and not use big heavy trucks.

Question: Will flooding wash away the ground cover?

Answer: No; channels are there and there is good root growth so it should make it through the floods.

Suggestion to keep service roads on the outside to use if needed.

A fence will be built between child care and recycling.

The loop camping area is being flagged and cleared with camping committee's advice and design.

Question: Is there any control about who will camp there?

Answer: There is a camp host crew managing that.

Question: Are they moving the Child craft booth into the new kids area?

Answer: The discussion is upcoming along with possibly moving the play area. With Winter coming there is no way to predict how much erosion will occur.

Discussion: We are needing replacement booths so it seems inevitable to add booths to that area whether we want or not.

Hopefully we can have kid-related booths near the kid area. We need to balance the needs.

The possibility to move in the piano should be thought about.

It was respectfully disagreed to add any commerce to the kids area. It should be managed by operations. It is appreciated that the planning is incremental and well thought out. Please start working on a name change.

Whenever a space is freed up there are booths willing to move in. If you want to keep kids loop non-commerce a new space will need to be found.

Responsibility for Parks was moved to Ambiance. They feel commercial booths have the most space.

There is a problem finding smoking areas. Ambiance feels there should not be commercial booths in the kids space. A Native American family that has a big teepee and does story telling and is connected to the Raptor center are fair family and would be a perfect addition to the kids area.

The library is not broken so why fix(move) it? The parks are important and needed so don't fill them in with commercial enterprises.

Nature education booth, operations is thinking about an info booth near the child care to manage lost children etc. There are opportunities to add the Raptor Center, birds from the area spoken by the fair ornithologist.

Voids can be filled by booths, parks or other things. Please think about the large picture beyond personal wishes. It is important to make sure anything put in Kid's space is kid related. Maybe even reorganize 13<sup>th</sup> street to make it better.

Motion made, seconded and passed to add smoking areas to the New Business. Done

Would like to see parks kept inviolate and keep the open space sacred, not to be used even in the most dire of emergencies.

Clarifying the minutes, It was suggested that where the yurt used to be, if you squeeze something small there it will have more space than there used to be.

The Upper River Loop booth poll says don't move the library and it wouldn't be appetizing to have a food booth across from the 6-packs. Chez Ray used to be there but facing the other direction.

More play areas are needed so add to the kid area without removing from the current place.

There are no current plans to move the library. Brainstorming was happening but there was nothing beyond vague ideas.

It is felt that it would be a good idea to move the kid play stuff to open up that space and that the current play stuff sucks. (is old and worn and falling apart).

The Gypsy Way design is in operations capable hands now.

Next month will be the Entrances subcommittee report with the capital Project Budget.

**Guest Speaker:** Craft Lot Stakeholders (Lara, recycling).

Full use diagram, suggests much like Wally Way, put the service road on the perimeter. The current road is wide enough. Put 4 recycling kiosks, 6-8 feet with 4 up for current use and 4 in the back for servicing. Now have barrels stashed in the back for non public use that can be serviced during the day. Location is preferred on the service road and placed near all mellow places and food places. outside stage areas. Adding 4 people to the crew will be needed for Craft lot but no additional needed for kids Gypsy way area. If the trucks need to go into the loop, there should be a turn around to allow it to back up or optimally, a way to continue only forward.

Question: What would be the minimum amount of service roads required? Can you get to places using the current road? Maps were given showing possible service roads.

Question: Have you considered doing gator runs?

Answer: Yes but it did not work, they don't hold enough.

Operations interjected that the unimproved dirt roads were ruined with service traffic during the rain years so they are currently rocking the road for improvement.

Discussion: The service road at the north end of the crafts lot near kids loop seems to work. The barrel crew used smaller vehicles to bring to larger trucks.

Discussion: Really liked map 2 due to security of event management point of view. Opening up refer pass would be easy.

Maps are on Path Planning web page.

Tim Furst needs to be added to the mailing list for this committee.

All agendas will be on the page and everyone should go there for Path Planning information, agenda and minutes.

An updated list will be made today. Dennis is the web host. If you want something posted, let Dennis know.

## **Subcommittee Reports**

Traffic subcommittee members were all out of town and not able to get any meetings together past fair. No survey was completed. Pictures were passed around PP attendees with information about the structure between line-in-the-sand and ???. GoToMeeting, a communications application similar to Skype was recommended to use for meetings where everyone is far away.

Survey group. Charlie will present the results to BOD at their retreat and it will be made public after that. Path Planning would like a preview copy.

## **Old Business**

A Camping Committee update was presented by Chewy. He pointed out on the wall map, where some of the fence will be removed and how they are clearing the trail to allow gator access. They will be moving some campers and will work with them at 2012 fair. Some campers have already been moved and kept as a whole neighborhood Near Hobarts camp on Ho road is a wet area and they are tying into the area North of that. This will be accomplished for fair 2012. There is a meeting planned to work on putting together a budget for next fair. They will add people with specifically needed expertise to the committee. All paths are planned to be cart width.

Question: Are you working on adding infrastructure such as phones, etc.

Answer: We are looking at siting an area for fire, camp host, etc. This will be decided for the 2013 fair.

Discussion: Some things will be nightmarish, e.g. showers but will be addressed.

Discussion: Maybe a shower on a truck could be set up.

Question: Is there a possibility of letting established camps in craft lot find a place first?

Answer: In 2013 we will reorient the people that are there before completing the plan.

Statement: If the barter fair moves, it will create a vacuum.

Statement: It won't be a total vacuum because there are campers there other than barter fair.

Draft Capital Project for Gypsy Way (Wish list to give to Operations)

Kids Committee will help design the play structures and construction will build it. They should add a representative to construction crew to help with the design.

Porta Pottys, benches, telephone, registration desk, fences included in Ops project.

It is now the Ops project and no longer the responsibility of the Path **Planning** Committee. Ops, construction and child care are now working together on this capital project to submit the request to the BOD.

Prioritizing Pocket Park II

This PP subcommittee is figuring what is a booth space and what can be moved around or reoriented to free up some green space. Every idea involved moving campers. Thoughts about booth swaps, smoking areas, best along the river. There are lots of ideas. Dead end in Community village has been utilized for smoking and everyone is complaining about the smoke. Suggested need to have a path through there especially since dead ends are not allowed. Maybe present a plan to the PP and then to Community Village with the support of the PP committee.

Need to identify a list of Pocket Parks to present to the family. Need to have a plan to discuss with the stakeholders.

We need to use a GPS to map areas. Pocket Parks Subcommittee meeting needs to happen. Need to define the process.

Ambiance has a Parks crew to prettify parks areas. The Fair policy is that smoking areas exist so we need to find the best places.

Part of the siting of a new area is to speak with the community to get knowledge that is only available to people who are living there 24 hours.

We should utilize the process we have.

Reorientation is a wonderful option when managing heritage trees.

Work plan review can be removed from the November agenda.

We need a design charrette at least a month before we work on the craft lot design.

February should be a crafts lot neighborhood charrette. It should be in the newsletter. The subcommittee should bring the ideas.

We had basic design plans with the original charrette so what we need now is a refinement that includes the neighborhood.

February 5? What are we trying to accomplish? The charrette is to refine the best designs as chosen by the crafts lot neighborhood.

We are not breaking ground on crafts lot in 2012 but trying to bring in more ideas from the neighborhood. Suggestion to have it in April or May, in Crafts lot and invite the neighborhood.

Later in year is better for enthusiastic response. BOD needs to know what is happening to the displaced campers.

Maybe it should be done in June when more people are here. We will only define the boundaries of gate, fence, recycling.

Now present the designs for refinement. The Fair Family has had the designs for 3 years so do we now need the buy in?

Camping has to come first and nothing can happen until that is resolved.

We do need refinement from the people who have been there. The designs are intentionally cursory.

It gives another concept doing it on site in the spring. It should be advertised as soon as possible.

Camping is essential for both the craft lot and barter fair. We probably won't see anything until 2014 or 2015.

The more people involved the better. The more meetings are good. We need the discussion.

Change the maps to have a footprint and not the details.

Front-of-Fair includes the crafts lot.

We are planners and should refocus to moving campers or barter fair.

No, Campers are being handled by the Camping Crew with a lot of planning and meetings.

The Path Planning is handling public areas.

A motion was made and 2nded to amend the work plan to add a Neighborhood refinement Craft lot workshop in April. Motion passed unanimously

Does Path Planning want to schedule a workshop with the BOD?

Yes, there are many board members who are unaware of the crisis regarding replacement booths.

### **New Business**

Barter Fair

Smoking area

Craft lot play structures removed for 1 year only booth space

Buy GPS

### **Meeting Evaluation**

Appreciation for David's passion.

### **Homework Review**

you will be notified of subcommittees by email and review and report back.

### **Confirm Next Meeting**

Meeting confirmed for November 20, Noon-3pm, Hub Yurt.