

Old Fort Steering Committee Minutes

June 26, 2012

Present: Beth LaShell, Chairman; Barbara Harris, FLC Foundation; Roy Horvath, Staff; Richard Miller, Executive Director for Research, Planning and Assessment; Kalen Elliott, Community; Tobin Follenweider, SLB; Cynthia Dott, Faculty

Absent: Heidi Baskfield, FLC Trustees; Mike Kelly, ASFLC;

Guests: Ed Hamrick (AG Office)

Meeting materials distributed: Agenda, June 12th minutes

The meeting was convened in the Cascade room at 11:30 am.

Introductions and Announcements

Public comment (5 minutes/ speaker)

Approval of June 12th minutes – Barbara moved to approve both sets of minutes. Roy 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business

Meeting Dates: We will have a meeting in July to review the MOA if it is ready. No meeting in August.

Old Fort Website: www.fortlewis.edu/oldfort continues to be updated.

Proposal for Non-Academic Use.

The Boys Scouts of America requested an overnight campout for June 15th and their annual day camp from June 25-30th. The Draft Horse Mule and Carriage Association requested a meeting for July 12th and may submit an application for a 3 day activity on Labor Day weekend. LaPlata County 4-H has submitted a request for a livestock show on June 30th. Beth approved all uses and their COIs are on file.

Infrastructure

Water and Sewer System

Russell Engineering has completed their water and sewer system summary. Their findings will be available to the committee once it has been reviewed by Dene Thomas and Heidi Baskfield. The State Land Board's waiver to carry their \$67,000 contribution over to 2013 has been denied. Tobin will send an email to try and reverse the denial. He will also work internally to find additional funds for FY 2013 to contribute to the project.

Board of Trustees- Old Fort subcommittee update

The Board of Trustees will have a retreat in August and will make a trip to the Old Fort on Wednesday, August 1st from 4-5:30. Beth will be out of town so Roy Horvath will lead the tour.

Memorandum of Agreement update

Ed Hamrick and Tobin have begun reviewing the existing document and believe that revisions need to be made to incorporate the information found in the FAQ document into the MOA. Tobin spoke with Steve Schwartz and Dene Thomas earlier in the week and they feel the document needs to reflect ownership and the spirit of the agreement. The previously approved Whereas statement would need to be broadened to reflect the cooperation and long-term plans. The BOT will not conduct official business until October but they could do a conference call to approve the revised MOA. The SLB meets every month.

Tobin will send an email that extends the access permit for Fort Lewis College.

Update: Tobin has provided the committee with an extensively revised MOA and requested a meeting in late July for review.

Forest Management Update

The committee would like to see a copy of the Forest Management Plan. Tobin will send an email to Beverly Rave to request a copy.

Update: Kent Grant sent me an email with a copy of the plan and some ideas for future use. It was forwarded to the committee.

New Business

Richard moved to adjourn the meeting. Tobin 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm