

Path Planning Meeting Minutes 12/14/2025

Members in attendance: Kirk Shultz (co- chair), Corey Cliffe (secretary) , Jon Pincus, Paxton Hoag (Board liaison) , Dean Middleton, Otis Gray, Wren, Trevor Ross (BOD Liaison)

Staff : Alexis; site manager

Guests : Lisa Parker, Aleta Miller, Mikaela Rae, Amy Hardy

Scribe: Jennifer Gerrity

Announcements/ Public Comments : none

Minutes review: November 2025 Minutes accepted as presented (Paxton moves/ Corey seconds) passed. Lisa and Jon abstain.

Agenda review – Kirk reviewed the agenda to include : Get a vote on new committee members to them pass to Kirsten.

Go through the 4 people and recommend Kirsten

- Mikaela Rae
- Stormy
- Lisa Parker
- Aleta Miller

Committee updated: Rosana's Celestial map

Homework review

Subcommittee update

Old Business: Capital Projects for January meeting prep

Politics Park Shade

Dust

January review

Reports

Staff reports Site Management – Alexis reports he has a document on dust to share. This is the most present issue that needs action. Site the getting drier and causing a bigger dust impact each year. Alexis goes over the work to date to include water application last year 400k gallons of water went down on site and there was little measurable impact if any.

Earthbind has been being used ; multiple applications are being used now with benefit; it has an unpleasant odor and color. Hard to clean and a messy and had issues. The application has not been ideal for the product.

Bus road stays in good condition

Snivel has significant erosion and will require an alternate application plan for dust abatement

An alternate enzyme-based product is being considered for fall application.

There are an additional two products up for review by LUMP .

The effort must be year-round rather than a pre-fair application and time investment. Prioritize zones to focus application over a five-year plan.

Kirk encourages well water usage on Xvanadu and Main Stage area . Alexis explains in 2024 the Warebarn well was run dry and due to that the water use was restricted. This restriction will be lightened up some while remaining conscious of overall usage.

Mikaela brings up the consideration of paving Snivel considering cost in paving vs time and labor in continuous application.

Paxton would like to promote progress with gray water application through LUMP>

Kirk states that the dust required a multifaced approach.

Due to gravel application, there is a heavy thick bed of gravel; due to this asphalt is not needed; and many folks are opposed to asphalt on the grounds.

Alexis does not believe there is a solution to eradicate dust. However, it can be mitigated with planning and investment. The gator use increase has impacted substantially. The shift to golf carts will be happening,

Also, the grey water volume is a drop in the bucket compared to what is needed which is hundreds of thousands of gallons are needed; the wells cannot be relied upon and grey water will not put a dent in it. It must be brought in.

The grass in the fields has devolved over time due to non-grass species coming in. Target field burning may be helpful to allow grass to predominate.

Board Liaisons – Paxton reports a new Event Manger Kim Langolf will start in January. The BOD giving has been finalized.

ASPIRING MEMBERS:

Lisa, Aleta, Stormy and Mikaela

MOTION Path Planning recommends to the Executive Director the acceptance of four new committee members: Lisa, Aleta, Stormy and Mikaela

Paxton Moves ; Corey seconds ; vote passed unanimously.

CAPITOL PROJECTS

The Committee put together this list for further review of core Capital Project goals.

Alexis confirmed he and Sunny are tracking core projects Path Planning needs to support.

Roll over for a more in-depth conversation in January.

Visionary Lounge - deferred for a larger group conversation.

Politics Park ; investing in roofing, ventilation and shade to create a more pleasant public experience.

Amy Hardy is keeping tabs on the conversation for Politics Park planning.

Shade opportunities around the Fair are a large request : Visionary Lounge, Morning Wood, Horse Corral , Arch Park , Windgate

Peach Arch : must convene with ambiance.

Wren adds ; a new roof for Big Bird would avoid wasteful last-minute repairs; Kirk doesn't think it is feasible but encourages getting the numbers together for management review.

Aleta will coordinate shade efforts at Main Stage in maintaining the aesthetic established and working with the coordinators of that space in using 20 x 20 triangles of cloth.

Jon would like to have a status update to the proposed kitchen project as it will impact the public path entry as proposed.

Paxton has been attending fixed asset meetings and confirms there is no solid plan for the kitchen relocation or site selected.

Kirk points out the roof is a priority to repair. It would take \$2000 in Capital project funds.

Homework Review :

Invite Chanade for the Peach Arch discussion

Aleta worked on a letter for the visionary lounge.

Mikaela would like to organize student-led tree plantings through her science curriculum.

Paxton to email the group the link to Constellation Map

Work Group Reports :

EAB: Paxton says a proposed plan to be completed by May is in the works, identifying processes and action items .

The air curtain burn and inoculation demo were very effective and interesting . Gound piles aid the spread of the insect, so the incineration of burn piles will deter spread and infestation.

May 16th the tree by main camp will be inoculated. Site walks for each month are the third Saturday of each month and on the .net site.

Alexis is using the department of agriculture EAB plan as a guideline until an internal plan is approved.

Cutting debris in place is being implemented ; a significantly smaller amount of material will be used for firewood; wood chips and biochar.

Various studies are being activated by the EAD task force. Structured decision making is employed and that committee and worth investigating per Jon.

Committee Updates :

LUMP: Trevor ; unified GIS for the Fair is under discussion, a centralized tool is being considered.

Constellation Map: Paxton encourages its use and study. These are basic areas of the Fair ; the entire site is in large blocks broken down to smaller blocks.

Paxton promotes group involvement in the mapping efforts. There are multiple GIS licenses.

Food: Applications are open for 3 spots; per Paxton.

Next Meeting January 18th : 12-3 hybrid. No Site walk .

Food ; soup, single dish meals and home canned items.

Finalize Capital Projects: infrastructure improvements

Stakeholder action for Visionary Lounge, Morning Wood, Horse Corral

Main Camp Kitchen status update

Study Areas: 2026 Brainstorm study areas.

Shade Politics Park, Ark Park and Windgate.

Dust Abatement

Meeting Eval: Amy was missed . All good discussion.