

ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

January 31, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

SRC Board Room

Present:

Art Barron, Gerri General, James Coulter, Don Crowder, Beth Storey, Holly Nicholson, Cathy Martin, Mary Beth Rush, Mohamad Nadi, Kathryn Griffin

Regrets:

Lianne Sorrell, Nicole Chencharik, Mark Colangelo, Shirley Malette, Josie Donato, Beth Pirouet, Melanie DeSchutter/Juli Vlaminck, Laurisa Kapetanov, Naz Binck/Barry June, Mary Beth Rush, Aurora Fowler, Genna Norton

| Item No. | Headings | Action |
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| I | <p>Call to Order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion brought by Gerri General ▪ Seconded by Holly Nicholson | |
| II | <p>Roll Call:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All attendees signed in | |
| III | <p>Approval of Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to approve by Gerri General ▪ Seconded by Kathryn Griffin | |
| IV | <p>Open Issues</p> <p>A) Accessibility Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most items on Accessibility Plan are on-going • Accessibility Services (South) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Student Waiting Room – Cathy Martin reported that all floor obstructions have been removed ○ Door could be wider to accommodate wheel chair maneuvering • Accessibility Services (Chatham Campus) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mary Beth Rush commented that loaned equipment was short-stocked in Fall 2018 ○ Art Barron asked if capital funding request was made for funding ○ Consideration of getting on lease program or complete replacement plan ○ Mary Beth preferred Lease | <p>Action: CM to email current Accessibility Plan</p> <p>Action: Beth Storey to investigate if leasing computers is capped</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Art Barron asked Beth Storey (IT Services) about leasing computers – is it capped? • Library - Chatham <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion re: location of current Accessibility Plan ○ Discussion with James Coulter re: capital request for more testing rooms to be installed library • Campus Bookstore (Main and Chatham Campus) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Windsor – items are on going ○ Chatham: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Have a very small space ▪ Art Barron will take a look at bookstore ▪ Items have been removed from aisles ▪ Mohamad Nadi – removal of backpack policy can be problematic – backpack may be required for medical reasons • HealthPlex (Chatham Campus) Gym: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ James Coulter will look at door • Library (Main) • SCCA (127/128) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Student Services counter too high – capital request to be submitted ○ Don Crowder requested a walk through ○ Grey drop box is too high ○ There has been an increase of students from 500 to 1000; a building audit should be requested • <i>James Coulter reported that assessing has just begun, including for an AODA audit</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>By 2025, everything is to be in place</i> ○ <i>Will ask if an AODA audit can be pushed forward</i> ○ <i>Issues are with doors and access to services</i> • College Wide - Bathrooms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art Barron asked if there is a list of all bathrooms that are accessible and which ones have a lift <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mohamed Nadi spoke that bathrooms are too narrow and cannot transfer; very few bathrooms are accessible ○ James Coulter reported that Randy Semeniuk has requested that bathrooms be modified ○ Art Barron wanted confirmation as how to get a swipe key for bathroom 102 that has a lift • Non-gender specific bathroom Art Barron – does College have non-gender specific bathroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JC advised that there is one bathroom that could be made non-binary and could be accessible • FCEM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ James Coulter looked at Ford Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Almost impossible to make non-binary and add lifts | <p>Action: Art Barron to look at bookstore (Chatham)</p> <p>Action: Cathy Martin to email plan to Committee and request that all members report back</p> <p>Action: Gerri General to contact facilities to confirm process of students' access to swipe key for bathroom 102</p> <p>Action: Committee to take a look at signage for vandalism;</p> <p>Action: Kathryn Griffin to include in</p> |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ AB what about new buildings – yes, HealthPlex and SportsPlex • College Wide - Elevators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mohamad Nadi brought forth elevator issue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ a lot of people requiring elevator are being pushed aside ○ Art Barron suggested a campaign in Summer/Fall for elevator usage | <p>next Health 101 information regarding elevator usage</p> |
| V. | <p>New Business</p> <p>a) Review terms of reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art Barron Recommended the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ amend terms of reference to include, at the least, report from Downtown ○ add from Deaf & Interpreting – can double as support from downtown • Art Barron – changes as requested: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gerri General tabled the motion; ○ Kathryn Griffin seconded the motion – all approved • Frequency of Meetings – noted that meetings should take place every 2 months • Gerri General brought forward Accommodation Plan issue (by Mark C) students with AP's to be brought in to counsellors if not doing well – Accommodation Plan issue to be brought to counsellors • Kathryn Griffin brought forth <i>sticker signage</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ James coulter reported that he and R. Demchuck are meeting with company – stickers are a temporary solution <p>b) CICE-area accessibility issues</p> | |
| VI | <p>Adjournment</p> <p>9:55 – Meeting adjourned</p> <p>Holly Nicholson made motion to adjourn; Don Crowder seconded</p> | |