

ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

March 28, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

SRC Board Room

Present:

Cathy Martin, Kathy Deshaies, Beth Pirouet, Mohamad Nahdi, Don Crowder, Holly Nicholson, Conrad McCulligh, Lianne Sorrell, Mary Beth Rush, Gerri General, Mark Colangelo, James Coulter, Kathryn Griffin, Shirley Malette, Art Barron

Regrets:

Lianne Sorrell, Nicole Chencharik, Josie Donato, Melanie DeSchutter/Juli Vlaminck, Laurisa Kapetanov, Aurora Fowler, Genna Norton

Item No.	Headings	Action
I	Call to Order:	
	Meeting called to Order 9:03 a.m.	
11	Roll Call:	
	All attendees signed in	
III	Approval of Minutes	
	 Revision to January 31, 2019, Minutes 	
	 Kathie Deshaises to be added to Regrets 	
	Add Active Item to New business	
	 Motion to accept revisions as amended – Art Barron 	
	 Seconded by Gerri General and Mark Colangelo 	
IV	Open Issues A) Accessibility Plan	Act: Update Accessibility Plan and post to Website. J. Coulte
	Art Barron presented updated Accessibility Plan	to provide list of
	Will need to start on the 2019/20 Accessibility Plan	upcoming projects
	Need to ensure that items are being done or completed	' ' '
	Committee members to send Art Barron updates as noted	
	a) Status – Accessibility Plan	
	 a.2 Beth Story – not present 	
	 a.3, a.5, a.6 James Coulter – not present 	
	 a.4 Art Barron – has not gone out to Chatham a.7 Art Barron - bathrooms in CICE will be done in Summer 	
	2019; Room 149B ready this upcoming Monday – the lift has been installed	

- a.7.1 Gerri General reported that a key request can be made by student to the Chair or a counsellor
- a.8 Elevators committee members did not notice vandalized signage
- a.9 Health 101 posted information regarding appropriate elevator usage
 - Shirley Malette noted that the information was not posted at SCCA campus – discussion about the televisions downtown not working
- A.10 Mark Colangelo brought forward issue of Chatham Residence accessibility issues – there are only stairs and no unit is accessible

Accessibility Policy

- Committee to review the Policy in their area(s)
- Should have been reviewed in 2017 (as committee can submit proposed changes to SOG)
- Committee reviewed Policy
 - 6.0 Don Crowder brought forth concerns re: Customer Service
 - Questioned that if Accommodation Plan is required, that individual should meet with a counsellor
 - Service Animal requested clarification of service animal
 - Support Person need to clarify language for support person
 - Moe Nahdi meetings should be had with students to discuss what students need; Gerri General – students needing additional accommodations are to make changes or update their Accommodation Plans with their counsellor
 - Beth Pirouet added to Don Crowder's comments to ensure that it is added to the Accommodation processes that its being prepared
 - 6.0 Gerri General added to comment re: Customer Services – Assistive Devices needs to be clarified
 - Art Barron suggested items within brackets be removed all need to be formally done
 - Moe Nahdi suggested that the college needs to be flexible with rules – for example, concerns regarding security in bookstore
 - Beth Pirouet suggested that this should be brought to Health and Safety Rebecca Demchuk to make security aware of these issues
 - Don Crowder brought forth point 1 on page 4
 - Suggestion made to refine the support person
 - Shirley Malette suggested that policy needs to distinguish between 3 different types of needs: 1) visitors; 2) students; and 3) employees/staff

Action: Art Barron to follow up with Chatham residence to see if retrofit can happen

Art Barron to discuss issue with Bookstore personnel

- Kathie Deshaises suggested keeping visitor language simpler – keeps it open
- Suggested that three groups are cross-referenced in policy
- Shirley Malette noted that sections 2.0 and 5.0 of policy refer to Service Dogs
- Moe Nahdi brought forth that committee may not have enough people with disabilities on committee with disabilities
- Mark Colangelo- encourage people who represent students with disabilities to be on committee (i.e. CICE) – appropriate to invite a Learning Facilitator and that the Coordinator of CICE be invited
- Suggested that terms of reference be changed to include CICE Coordinator
- Page 3 3rd bullet Don Crowder questioned this issue possible insurance concerns; again, referenced the 3 levels of access
- Shirley Malette brought forth issue of support person being charged at SCCA event for ticket – concerns expressed by committee about support persons being charged ticket fees for events
- Page 4 4th bullet Art Barron reported that link is broken
- o Mark Colangelo section 7.0
- Section to be updated; reflects issues prior to new technology that may or may not be needed
- Noted that college videos are not all being produced with closed captioned
- Section 7.0 is needed but it needs to be updated to reflect current climate
- o Marketing would need to be included in this
- Beth Pirouet Section 8.0
- Laura in Human Resources is going through this section currently
- o Konrad Item 10.0 asked about new items
- Need to hold new building accountable for accessibility
- Suggested that recommendation to SOG that 3rd party builders need to be AODA compliant
- Moe Nahdi went through main campus and found at least 80 issues at South Campus

Action: Committee in agreement with Shirley's comments

Action: Shirley Malette to verify if support persons are being charged for events

Action: Art Barron to correct broken link

Action: Committee members to send Art Barron any and all proposed changes

	JAMES COULTER ARRIVED – ATTENDED TO EARLIER ITEMS A.3 – James Coulter asked Dan Chauvin about testing rooms and budget pricing provided A.5 – James Coulter – in progress – FCEM on bridge-there's a ledge on floor that is a hazard An AODA Audit is being done for the Main Building	Action: Art Barron asked Moe to send information to him Action: Committee members to send Art Barron items to be included Action: Moe Nahdi to send picture of hazard to Art
V.	New Business Amending Accessibility Plan O Art Barron – need to work on 2019/20 Accessibility Plan Please send Art Barron items that want included Aim for September 1, 2019 deadline Adjournment 10:07 – Meeting adjourned	Barron