

Minutes

ADA Compliance Committee

10/5/2010

12:00-12:45 PM

Health Sciences Conference Room (158)

Type of meeting:

Regular

Facilitator:

Chris Raber, Chair

Attendees:

Neil Evans, Debbie Howell, Butch Kotcamp, Chris Meade, Deb Scurlock, Janet Snedegar, Bane Sylvia, Jim Weaver

Agenda topics

Member list update

Members present checked contact information for member list and made any needed corrections.

Year End Report: Review 2009-2010 goals and progress

The Year End Report was reviewed. We made significant progress with Planning Recommendation goal, and are tasked now with identifying data sources for the seven key indicators approved by the committee at last meeting. We discussed possible sources for obtaining data for each indicator, and Bane noted he will discuss the recommendation we made concerning establishing ADA Ombudsman program for employees with Dr. Morris. Options for ways to collect and post the data for key indicators were discussed, including possibility of posting on our committee webpages. When we receive this year's charge from Dr. Morris we will determine the processes and data sources for each indicator. We will be identifying all possible sources of data, including from AQIP process, Deans, HEI reporting, Housing, Facilities, and departments to address ADA compliance in processes affecting students, employees, use of campus space for events, and communication of ADA resources for all stakeholders.

2010-2011 Goals

We are awaiting charge for this year, but all agreed that our major focus will be on data collection for key indicators and communicating this information broadly to all stakeholders. Jim stated that due to organizational changes, student survey will be on hold until next year. Plan to establish goals at next meeting.

Clearinghouse Issues/Discussion

A concern was raised to the committee regarding improper use of ADA desks in Massie Hall, and a memo addressing this issue was sent today (October 5) to faculty, Deans, department secretaries, and facilities. We will continue to monitor this issue. Chris R. requested that ADA Compliance Committee reports be added to UFS agenda, as ADA committee was only UWC not included on agenda for reports. Deb Scurlock volunteered to communicate this to Clifford Poirot for inclusion in next UFS meeting. We also discussed question raised by Neil concerning web accessibility and whether or not there are currently any safeguards in place for students with disabilities using on-line courses. No guidelines have been established yet, but the Distance Learning Committee, chaired by Darrell Rudman, is addressing this. We also discussed how this concern relates to SSU's website accessibility, which needs to be evaluated.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Raber, Chair