

Minutes

ADA Compliance Committee

4/19/2011

12:30-1:15 PM

Health Sciences Conference Room (158)

Type of meeting: Regular

Facilitator: Chris Raber, Chair

Attendees: Deborah Howell, Butch Kotcamp, Neil Evans, Janet Snedegar, Bane Sylvia

Agenda topics

ADA Compliance Audit

Bane met with Chris and Jim to discuss scope and options for consultants before today's meeting. Bane is working to locate a consultant to conduct an audit and begin the Self-Assessment.

ADA Training CD for Committee

SSU purchased a Webinar CD that addresses compliance dates and updates to the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendment Act of 2008. Bane distributed ClipNotes from the CD. The CD is an hour and a half long and it was decided that a time would be scheduled between spring and summer semester for any committee member to review as a group. Bane to schedule and notify of date and time.

Public Hearing on Section 772, Higher Education Opportunity Act

On Wednesday, May 4, 2011 from 4:30 – 9 pm at Ohio State a public hearing is being held to hear testimony via phone, in person scheduled and walk ins to provide testimony about one's positive or negative experiences with obtaining printed material for courses. Names of those interested can be forwarded to Chris Raber.

Please review Jim's email about software options we can now access to assist with locating resources for students with print disabilities.

Follow-up: Brochure Printing Request

\$270 is the estimate for printing. President's Office has requested that HR and Facilities check their budget and possibly pay for them, as they did in the past. It was determined that brochure would be sent to Communications for review, as an email will be sent to Elinda Boyles for a decision on where the monies may be found to pay for it.

SGA Meeting re: ADA

Chris spoke at SGA meeting in March on the role of the ADA Committee and available resources for students regarding accessibility on campus. Chris was impressed with the number of students that attend this meeting, and their interest in learning about ADA issues.

Clearinghouse Issues

UC automatic doors/thresholds

Debbie Weber reported to the ADA Committee that a visitor to campus was seen having difficulties with the automatic doors at the north UC entrance. The doors would not stay open and the caregiver could not get the chair over the threshold. Butch let us know that the threshold was at legal limit but they were reviewing the timing of the door.

Benchmarks on Website

Chris to meet with communications to start the process of updating the website. Butch to email last of benchmark statistics.

Copies were distributed of the campus map that identifies accessible building entrances. Chris and Jim have requested that a link to accessibility information be placed on the website's front page in order to easily assist anyone seeking this information. This is particularly important for large public events, such as graduation.

Next meeting will be scheduled in the Fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Howell