

ADA ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday February 09, 2004

Members present: J. B. Messer, Carolyn Rouillard, Traci Wheeler, Chris Snow, Pat Stowe, Dianne Broyles, Dr. Ann Ackerman, Ike Sloas, Gary Lombard, and Paula Gower

The meeting started with introduction of the committee members. J.B. asked Pat Stowe to explain the history and the challenges. She briefly touched on the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act signed in 1990, and making all activities accessible to all.

We would like to make a Transition Plan. Where the College is in terms of compliance and where we should be. Pat then discussed with the committee, Universal Design and the 7 principles of design, including parking lots, the Theatre, and restrooms ect.

We need to come up with an official process for requesting things needing to be done and to whom they should be requested. We also addressed barriers that we have encountered thus far, such as, student and or employees that are taking the non-credit courses as opposed to the credit courses, and what we can do for them.

We will start working on the survey in February of 2000. Work on the issues and recommendations. Where we are at now and where we need to be.

One issue brought up was regarding a contingency budget for ADA and possibly getting one to assist in this matter (Gary).

The direction the committee would like to go in is to go through the survey report, and find out what our process is about bringing changes and the process of making changes (J.B., Chris, & Pat). We need to find some kind of external resources to contact when there are conflict or problems (Pat & Carolyn). We would also like to find out who to report to, and the process of reporting, and having a policy (Pat, Carolyn, Paula, & Traci). We are also going to find out if we have anything that does not meet compliance and to bring those things into compliance. We are also going to conceive a plan on how we can communicate procedure, and to whom (Paula).

We will reconvene on Wednesday March 23, at 2:00 PM in the Business and Finance Conference Room.

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