Campus Access Committee

Meeting minutes       December 17, 2010

In Attendance: Brian Boehmer, Troy Fields, John Berry, Norman Holmes, Connie Zang, and by phone in, Adrian Rodgers

Connie called the meeting to order and welcomed the committee members.

The committee approved the minutes from the October 08, 2010 meeting.

Old business:

Brian Boehmer spoke on the state of campus renovations.

Founders/Hopewell—First phase of Gate Way is complete, Financial Aid will be done soon, and Fees & Deposits are expected to move into their new space today

The Psychology suite is 95% done and has eight research labs.

The Science labs will take 2-3 more weeks to complete. They will open winter quarter 2011.

The second phase of the Gateway will be done in February.

Founders 2180 classroom is expanding, using lab space.

Marketing will move into Hopewell. Conversion of the present marketing space into a student lounge will take place.

Ariel Hall—Awarding contracts, construction to start 3rd week of January, expected completion September 2011. The basement will be class rooms, the theater space will be the Digital Media Design area and a Board room

C-tec expansion to Western Licking County—until full renovation

LeFevre parking—new lot being added

Repaving loop road, parking lots—all summer
In May Country Club widening will start, will not be complete before the start of autumn quarter

Troy recognized that his driving classes in late April, May & July might be affected.

Connie brought up that we still have a need for student members. Adrian will try again to recruit new students and Connie will resubmit meeting announcements in the electronic newsletter.

New Business:

Connie presented a student’s grievance against an instructor based on discrimination of disability. Connie gave the necessary detail and asked the committee’s recommendations.

The findings were inconclusive as both parties involved had a different perspective on what happened.

Recommendations included:

To the student:

1. Inform the student to come forward immediately with full information in the event a situation should occur in the future.
2. If a grade appeal is wanted, give the student the needed information to proceed.
3. Remind the student to always keep copies of his/her work.

To ODS:

1. Spend a ½ hour session with the instructor reviewing policy and procedure for ODS.
2. ODS Director to meet with Dean Cindy Carbone for clarification of class expectations.
3. ODS Director attend adjunct faculty meeting with 10-15 minute presentation, handouts that include referral to ODS website
4. Review the harassment statement in faculty and student handbooks and include it with ODS policy.
5. Consider making separate forms for facility grievances.

The question was raised as to the function of the Access Committee when the grievance is against an employee. The committee has no authority for reprimand of an employee. Is there a violation of ADA if the committee refers to Administration? We cannot expect personnel action.
It was determined that according to the mission of the Campus Access Committee which is as an advisory committee to Administration, it is proper for this committee to hear such cases and make recommendations.

Connie explained the ADA-AA teleconference that ODS provided to benefit different departments on campus. The appropriate departments received invitations to attend. The purpose of the teleconference was to explain the expectations from ADA and DOJ in regards to the amendment of the regulations.

The meeting was adjourned with well wishes for Happy Holidays.

The next meeting is February 11, 2011 from 9:30 am – 11:00 am in Warner Center 230.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie S. Zang, Chairwoman for Campus Access Committee