Disability Access and Compliance Committee (DACC)

Wednesday, November 19, 2014
2:30-3:30 PM Kellogg 2413

Chair: Bridget Blanshan    Staff: Alan Brian

Members: Arturo Campo, Belinda Garcia (absent), Gary Cinnamon, Karie White, Lisa Mclean, Michelle Hunt, Kerry Stein, Floyd Dudley, John Segoria, Logan Ridgway (absent), Regina Frasca (absent), Teresa Macklin (absent), Amanda Umphrey, Dilcie Perez (absent)

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• Welcome – Bridget Blanshan welcomed the group.

• CSU system ADA audit findings – Amanda reported that the final ATI Audit report was in. Among the findings were:
  a. The need for an ATI specific steering committee. Bill Ward is consulting with the Provost to decide how to address this issue. It may be that a ATI Committee is formed to meet adjacent to DACC meetings.
  b. The need for an ATI plan related to instructional materials and procurement. Barbara and David Taylor are addressing this item.
  c. Measurable self-assessments and plan need to be updated. Jay Reese is addressing this issue.

• Disability awareness update –
  a. Diversity Awareness Month events had good showings overall, with one event exceeding capacity. Arturo reported that next year co-sponsoring departments will be given additional guidance regarding their obligations, particularly related to marketing events. More opportunities will be explored next year. Recordings of “Conversations that Matter” are posted to the web (http://www.csusm.edu/equity/conversations/)
  b. The Veterans with Invisible Disabilities presentation was very well attended (~30 attendees). A follow up presentation on Military Sexual Trauma is being considered.
c. John discussed a recent webinar that addressed the intersection of student’s disabilities and conduct cases as being an area for special attention and an emerging issue nationally. This included discussion of potential harm to self as a basis for administrative action. Future webinars are anticipated and John will share information about them with the group as it becomes available.

- DSS Legal Update– John shared that campuses that have mandatory food service plans are being confronted with issues around providing a range of options sensitive to food allergies. Our campus food vendors do offer a range of options for individuals with food allergies. We will need to make sure that needs of those with food allergies are kept in mind as campus food options expand.

Memory aids for students with cognitive impairments is an emerging trend, as are court interventions into college curriculums when determining what accommodations must be made for student participation in academic programs.

- Track fencing project update – Gary said the project will begin after the end of the fall semester and should be completed prior to the return of students in January. There will be 8’ gates at the current access points and a 16’ drive gate near the handicapped drop-off area for access.

- Other Project Updates and announcements –
  a. John attended an ADA Coordinator meeting in SD recently
  b. A question about parking accommodations for individuals with temporary issues was asked, and subsequent clarification from Belinda stated that a temporary medical permit can be issued for a two week period if the request is accompanied by a doctor’s recommendation.

- Potential agenda items for next meeting (Feb. 18, 2015 @ 3pm in Kellogg 2413)
  a. ATI Annual reports
  b. ATI Steering Committee
  c. Commencement Planning
  d. Access during Field House expansion
  e. Emerging Student Issues