

Minutes of the Senate Committee on Environment, Disability, and Quality of Life Issues  
Wednesday, May 16, 2018, Room S424, 12:10 – 1:30

Present: Noelia Diaz, Allison Crutchfield, Eladia Raya, Mel Rodriguez, Jon Funk, Tony Monahan, Edward Davis, Rod Wei Lai Patricia Kinneary, Dominic Hull, Bill Faulkner, John Triolo, Clara Wajngurt

1. The meeting began at 12:20 pm
2. New committee members were welcomed by the current chair. New members briefly introduced themselves and the departments they represent.
3. The minutes from the previous meeting of March 14, 2018 were approved.
4. Bathroom Signage update:

Dominic Hull began by updating the committee on the history of the bathroom sign on the inside of the exit door. He explained that sign informs bathroom occupants of the right of any individual who identifies as gender of the bathroom is free to use the bathroom. William Faulkner (VP of Administration) requested of the committee a recommendation of the appropriate size of the sign to replace the currently existing sign. Committee discussed various size options for the size ranging from 6 inches square to the size of a standard paper (8 ½ inch by 11 inch). It was decided that a mockup of the future sign will be generated by William Faulkner and presented to the committee for approval before final replacement of the existing signage. The mock up will be of the appropriate enlargement of the existing sign with the same language. The mockup of the new sign will be presented at a future meeting of the committee.

5. Update from 504/ADA Committee Meeting.  
Dominic Hull updated the committee on the proceedings that occurred at the recent 504/ADA Committee meeting. Dominic serves as the academic senate representative at this meeting. as current chair of the committee was invited by Jo Pantaleo to attend their meeting. The meeting discussed accommodation procedures for employees that may have a disability or special request of the university. The current university policies and procedures were discussed for accommodating employees in need of assistance. In the future, the chair of this committee will be asked to participate in the 505/ADA committee.
6. Update from the QCC Emergency Management Advisory Committee  
Dominic Hull updated the committee on the proceedings of the QCC Emergency Management Advisory Committee. This is a newly formed committee that is tasked with advising the president on campus related safety and emergency issues. The committee discussed the recent Bomb Threat made to QCC campus and the response taken by Public Safety and local authorities. The committee discussed the placement and availability of AED (Automated External Defibrillators) and Trauma Kits to be located at various locations on campus. This committee is currently working on the emergency management plan for the QCC campus. The committee advises of the availability of an outdoor loud speaker system for campus wide communication. Public safety also is available to any department for active shooter training. A new alert system called Alertus will be implemented that can send campus wide alerts to all

computers and telephones on campus. Training on campus safety will also be provided to students during new student orientation.

7. Results of the election:

Sara Danzi-Engoron elected new Chair of the Environment, Quality of Life and Disability Issues committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20pm.

Taken by,

Dominic Hull