

ADAAAC Meeting Minutes

Wed, April 12, 2017

Attendees: Jason Anderson, Shannon Aylesworth, Barbara Simon, Brian Peters, Zach Steuerwald, Paul Gunderson, Jason Kuiper, Kevin Jahnke, Kim Pietsch, Tiffany Thornton, David Delgado, Beth Traylor, Aura Hirschman.

- 1) Meeting minutes approved from March 8, 2017.
- 2) Request for note taker: Barb Simon
- 3) Announcements:
 - a) A list was handed out of webinar recordings and upcoming webinars. See attachment.
 - b) David Delgado announced that D2L will be upgraded over the summer and they will be bundling an accessibility editor into the new version.
- 4) The UWM Accessibility APP was briefly discussed and it was noted that there was a technical glitch with the response and confirmation emails still is being worked on.
- 5) Presentation by Mike Priem on physical access planning. Mike reviewed the projects that have been completed within the past year and also gave a preview of upcoming classroom projects. He noted that for the past projects, UWM was given over a million dollars, however due to budget limitations, the amount for upcoming projects is 800K. The projects that were recently completed in Bolton, Cunningham, Lapham and Mitchell included ADA/Universal Design updates. These ADA updates were whiteboards installed at 30 inches above floor; light switches at 36 inches above the floor; contrasting color for door frames; add listening systems, removal of stadium seating and height adjustable teaching consoles and student tables. The upcoming projects are for renovations to classrooms in EMS West. The project is to enlarge classrooms and improve teaching technologies in the rooms. Mike mentioned that projects are generally identified 4 years before the start of any work.

NOTE: Mike requested 1-2 ADAAAC representatives to attend meetings for the next set of projects. Please let Beth or Aura know of your interest.

Mike's presentation is attached.

- 6) Action items from meeting with Chancellor - Beth and Aura reviewed some Action items from the meeting with the Chancellor. Please see detailed presentation attached. How UWM compares with other UW System schools and other R1 Urban

research institutions was emphasized. Several Urban R1 institutions were identified and compared. One of the action items involved coordinated campus approach. The “Accessibility Link” on the home pages of several institutions (including Madison and UWM) was compared. UWM’s is in need of updating and improvement. A draft page was created which more clearly identifies accessibility for different constituents (students, employees, visitors).

Suggestions: Zach S Steuerwald. suggested adding a link for “safety/emergency preparedness”. David Delgado suggested adding/changing one of the resources from library/media to “online and digital learning” which would be more comprehensive and include both the library and CETL.

The other charge was the creation of a campus Accessibility Policy. Some examples of good policies were shared. They include: Temple University, Washington University and Madison. Washington University has the “DO-IT” Center which has comprehensive disability-related information and resources and Beth noted that there is no reason to re-invent the wheel when there are many good policies available that can potentially be adapted.

It was requested that committee members review the presentation and then make suggestions on improving UWM Accessibility link. The comparison report with the links will also be attached to this email and should be reviewed. Please read the policies and submit or bring feedback to the next meeting.

Next Meetings:

1. May 10, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in Cunningham 795
2. June 14, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in Cunningham 795