

ADA Advisory Committee
Monday, Nov. 24, 2008
Owens 201

Present: Bob Schieffer, Marc Holland, Dan Kirk, Ed Choate, Barb Seiler, Tom Schmidt, Jeff Goebel, Dave Holsen, Greg Toutges, Kathryn Estee, Warren Wiese, Norma Andersen

Absent: Becky Lindell

Automatic doors in renovated buildings-

Jeff explained some of the difficulties we are having with door handles/closers and the codes and requirements for these. The general recommendation for future designs is that we avoid closers unless for code or security reasons.

Wheelchair travel to HEC-

Jeff received a complaint from a student having difficulty traveling to the HEC for class. The city of Moorhead was contacted and made some adjustments to the walkways but now it is worse for the student. Suggestions were discussed. Jeff said we now have snow removal equipment to clear the sidewalks on 14th Street to the HEC. Greg will contact this student and write to the city again about this issue. Jeff also reported that the area between the post office and Grier has been resurfaced.

Hearing Assistive Technology planning for classrooms-

Bob presented a handout and reported on his plan for classroom equipment to provide accommodations. He will present his plan to AAC. Greg stated that he has received feedback from students currently using portable systems and they say they work great. Ed has a budget for specific requests and agreed to fund a couple portable devices for classrooms upon the committee's recommendation to do so.

Lommen/Library planning-

Dan would like a small representative group to review the access plan in the Design and schematic phases for the renovation. Ed, Greg, Marc, Bob and Jeff will meet in two weeks to review the plans.

Signage-

Dan gave update on signage. Dan, Warren, Doug Hamilton and Jeff are working on plans for exterior signage on campus. Next phase is functional signage within buildings.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 12, at 3:00pm in Owens 201.

Recorded by,
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