**The President’s Commission on People with Disabilities**

**Rescheduled date February 7, 2018 at 2:00 PM**

**Pharmacy Building – Room 205**

**Minutes**

1. Attendance and Introductions: Joanne Lynch, Rachel Ferreria, Nicol Hernandez, Meg Boegler, Andrea Henninger, Bridget Rummele, Paul DePace, Pamela Rohland, Anita Jacobson, Christine Sullivan, Steve Baker
2. Acceptance of Minutes: approved unanimously
3. Task Force I: Celebration and Awareness Building
   1. No new updates
4. Task Force II:
5. Curriculum & Online Accessibility (Joanna)
   1. Moving captioning to ITS effective this semester, should be able to handle more volume
   2. Sakai accessibility is moving forward and continues to improve, ways to report accessibility problems have been included
6. Transportation & Parking Advisory Sub-Committee (Steve)
   1. RFP out for new bus transportation system with smaller buses, more routes, longer hours and accessible buses
7. Safety & Evacuation (Steve)
   1. No new updates
8. Old Business
   1. Accessibility Issues in the Dining Halls update (Rachel)
      * Developing a disability training for dining hall staff, looking for input from PCPD for material to include in the training
   2. Honor’s Colloquium Related to Disability update (Annette)
      * Meeting on Feb 14th at 1pm
   3. Ram Van New Purchase update (Paul, Steve & Pam)
      * Purchase order issued, hopefully will have the van by end of semester
   4. Accessible Map of URI Campuses (Paul & Pam)
      * Interactive Google map is incomplete, Ed Crane and Roxanne Gomes could potentially help, need to have a process to have a sustained and persistent effort to update the accessibility information for all buildings
      * Paul will follow up to see if the landscaping master plan and wayfinding map will include accessibility information
   5. Fine Arts Recital Hall & Will Theater Listening Enhancement Systems (Paul)
      * Devices are delivered and should be usable
   6. Service Animals on Campus update
      * Policy is developed, considers both emotional support animals and service dogs in training; need a minimum age of at least six months
      * Service dogs must be ADA approved, no pets allowed in buildings
9. New Business
   1. Emergency Management Committee (Pam)
      * Snow Cancellation
        1. Can accessibility be considered going forward to ensure walkways are clear and not only able-bodied individuals can access buildings
        2. Laura Beauvais to bring forward to Provost
      * Roosevelt Hall Elevator
        1. One elevator in Roosevelt, older elevator
        2. First call is Public Safety 4-2121, Second call is Maintenance Control Center 4-4060
        3. Elevator stopped working at 8pm in the evening to the first floor, other accessibility throughout Roosevelt- Pam will follow-up with Jayne Richmond
10. Future meeting dates

* Friday, March 2, 2018 at 11:00 AM | Pharmacy Bldg, Room 207
* Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 2:00 PM | Pharmacy Bldg, Room 207
* Friday, April 27, 2018 at 11:00 AM | Pharmacy Bldg, Room 207
* Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 2:00 PM | Pharmacy Bldg, Room 207

Meeting adjourned 3:15pm