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

**March 2, 2018 at 11:00 AM**

**Pharmacy Building – Room 207**

**Minutes**

1. Attendance and Introductions -

Roxanne Gomes, Susan Roush, Pamela Rohland, Anita Jacobson, Joanne Lynch, Annette Bourbonniere, Stephen Baker, Paul DePace, Jason Dwyer, Adam Moore

1. Acceptance of Minutes - Susan moved to approved, Pamela seconded, all voted in favor of accepting minutes
2. Task Force I: Celebration and Awareness Building
   1. Honor’s Colloquium Related to Disability update (Annette)
      * Draft proposal was sent out to PCPD
      * Tiffany has agreed to be lead faculty member for Honors Course that goes along with the Colloquium
      * Also proposed an idea to create a disability boot-camp training similar to LGBTQ Safe Zone training
3. Task Force II:
4. Curriculum & Online Accessibility (Joanna)
   1. Help Desk now has video captioning service for short videos on Sakai, RFP out for bigger jobs
5. Parking & Transportation Advisory Sub-Committee (Steve)
   1. RFP went out for on campus shuttle bus services, six submissions came in and committee meeting 3/2 to evaluate and select
   2. 100 people utilized the Wickford Junction lot rebate/free parking
   3. New RamVan should be available in April or May, and the service will be transferred from Disability Services to Transportation
6. Safety & Evacuation (Steve)
   1. Active shooter trainings four trainings filled up over next 3 weeks, anticipate more to come for faculty, staff and students
   2. “Avoid, deny, defend” is replacing the previous “run, hide, fight” directive, need new video for training that is more inclusive of persons with disabilities- goal to have by next semester
   3. Ideal to have trainings by buildings to tailor to needs of individuals in the building and the layout/features of the specific building
7. Old Business
   1. Accessibility Issues in the Dining Halls update (Rachel)
      * Graduate PT students assessed dining hall and made recommendations, plan to develop a training that is based from these recommendations that will be offered to dining hall staff the Thursday of Spring Break
   2. Accessible Map of URI Campuses (Paul)
      * No new updates, need to locate the report from the Engineering students from last year, will follow-up and send to Paul
8. New Business
   1. DSS policy update (Pamela)
      * Would appreciate comments and updates on the working document, will be loaded into the University policy template when completed
      * Recommendation to consider attendance accommodations for inclement weather and other circumstances that may affect mobility/access around campus
9. Meeting adjourned 11:37am
10. Future meeting dates

* 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