FA Disability Committee (DisC)

Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2024, 12:00-1:00 PM

Committee Members Present:

Colleen Donnelly (Chair), CLAS/English

Thorsten Spehn (VC and Secretary), CLAS/PolSci

Pepe Sánchez, SPA

Kyle Ehrhardt, Business

Amy Ferrell, SEHD

Mari Prestigiacomo, Library

Christine Sargent, CLAS/Anthropology

Matthew O’Brien, CAM

Meeting Minutes

1. Minutes from September 11 meeting approved unanimously.
2. Discussion and Zoom tour of FA DIS Comm page – note trainings and events and additions as we continue to build the “HUB.” Click “inclusive pedagogy” tab for a lot of information about events and accessibility courses and tools.
3. Discussion of changes in the ASC including the fact that it is not representative of the campus: Too few faculty, no student representation, too many administrators
4. Education campaign – getting posters out

discuss distribution and locations: here is an idea to organize distribution.

Deans & Advising Offices

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| Thorsten Spehn | Student Commons, Learning Commons, Wellness Center |
| Mariana Prestigiacomo | Auraria Library, Student Counseling Center in Tivoli |
| Kyle Ehrhardt | Business School, Arch and Planning |
| Christine Sargent | CLAS Deans Office and Advising Office, North Classroom |
| Jose Sanchez | SPA and Engineering, 14th floor LSC |
| Amy Ferrell | SEHD |
| Matthew O'Brien | CAM, King Center |
| Colleen Donnelly | UComm, System, ASC, FA, and DRS |

1. Additional projects people would like to work on? Discuss potential upcoming event,

certificate, EF and ideas from the group of what we’d like to pursue.

* EF toolkit from both teams,
* warning of administrative fees that can amount to 1/3 of stipends offered for accessibility work
* partnering with Denver Academy, making our campus a more inclusive space by bringing students from DA

1. Discussion of a short disability/accessibility symposium

* Grant proposal to the President’s Fund
* one day or half-day,
* afternoon and evening on history of disability in CO, with AOT funding and support if we get grants, i.e. President’s Fund for the Humanities
* 3 sessions
  + public transportation
  + local advocates

1. General Discussion

Encouragement of committee members to keep informed of accessibility issues on campus, Colleen briefly talked about the AOT, the issues of the ASC with too much administration, Thorsten mentioned that information on the AOT, will be put on the Teams site

Chris Pucket and Antonio might visit when the ASC finally gets going,

Rosanna Salas nominated for AOT membership

Amy brought up educational crisis because our students are changing and many have EF issues.

Highschool to college transition for neurodiverse student populations