

Brock Barrier Free Working Group Minutes for September 22nd, 2008 Meeting

Attendance: Lynne Bubic, LeeAnn Cayer, Fran Owen, Judith Brooder, Margaret Sanderson, Marie Cutler, Scott Walker, Mary Jane Wasynski, Jeff Boggs (Chaired meeting), Marla Portfilio Sarah Marshall, Carly Marshall

Regrets: Jack Miller, Marie Belliveau, Shelley Stewart, Beverley Boudreau
ASL Interpreter: Not required for this meeting.

1. Call to order at circa 5:00 pm.

2. Discussion of minutes of 21 July 2008.

3. Report on Capital Projects & Facilities Committee

- Scott Walker and Margaret Sanderson provided a brief review of the report "Accessibility Planning – Accessible Built Environment" presented to the Capital Projects and Facilities Committee on September 11, 2008. They then answered questions raised by members of the BBFWG about the report.

4. Feedback on draft initial proposed Standard-Accessible Information & Communication

- Broke into three groups, each of which worked through sections 1 through 6 of the draft standards. We were asked to provide feedback on three questions: [1] our initial thoughts on the section; [2] any questions we have about that section; and [3] how do we think this section does or does not benefit persons with disabilities.
- One member from each group will email each group's comments to Margaret Sanderson.

5. Updates

- Kelly Veld (formerly of Facility Management) is the Special Projects Assistant (Office AVP Student Services) and will provide administrative support to our committee beginning in October.
- Margaret Sanderson is meeting with all units on campus to develop an integrated accessibility plan for the university. Deadline year-end publication.
- Career Services has moved to the lower level of the Learning Commons. This vacancy translates into more examination space for

SSWD students on the 4th floor.

- Assistive technology now deployed at all computer labs throughout campus (e.g., text magnifying software, Dragon Naturally Speaking software) (J. Brooder)
- Lynne Bubic announced that Marla Portfilio has joined Office of Human Rights and Equity (OHRE).
- Be aware that in the near future the commissary/cafeteria area at the base of Schmon Tower will be redesigned and renovated into a market (of sorts). This means our input will be solicited sometime in the next few months.

5. Meeting adjourns at 6:55 pm.

6. Next Meeting: Monday October 20th 430 pm - 7 pm.