

**Vernon College ADA Committee Meeting
Agenda and Minutes for 10-5-18
Rooms 423/717**

ADA Committee

Position	Member	Present	Not Present
PASS Dept. Director/ OSD Coordinator	Deana Lehman, Chair	✓	
Vice President of Instructional Services	Dr. Elizabeth Crandall	✓	
Dean of Student Services	Dr. Jim Nordone		✓
Associate Dean of Student Services	Kristin Harris	✓	
ERP/SIS Director	Ivy Harris	✓	
Instructor- LVN	Michael Scott		✓
Instructor- English	Dean Johnston	✓	
Instructor- Health Information Management	Ruth Rascon	✓	
Instructor- History	Adrien Ivan	✓	
Director of Nursing	Mary Rivard	✓	
Instructor-Nursing	Bobbie Graf		✓
Interpreter Services Coordinator	Kathy Peterson	✓	
Director of Congregate Meals	Iva Belew		✓
Student Services- Counselor	Lindsey David		✓
Tutoring Center Coordinator	Amber Hunsaker	✓	
Community & Recreational Services Coordinator	Seth Hughes	✓	
Admin Asst- Assoc Dean of Instructional Svcs.	Judy Ditmore	✓	
Administrative Assistant to PASS Dept. Director	Jan Shoemaker	✓	

Agenda

- I. • Approval of Minutes from March 2, 2018 (Exhibit 1)
- II. • Ivy Harris-ADA Accessibility Compliance Process (Exhibit 2)
- III. • Deana Lehman- “It’s Raining Emotional Support Animals!” (Exhibit 3-Instructions-ESA Badge)
- IV. • Questions and Comments
- V. • Adjournment

Minutes

- I. Approval of Minutes from 3/2/18 ADA Meeting – (Exhibit 1)
 - Amber Hunsaker made a motion to approve, and Kristin Harris seconded the motion. All members in attendance voted to approve the minutes as is.

- II. Ivy Harris-ADA Accessibility Compliance Process (Exhibit 2)
 - Ivy Harris said that corrections were made during the summer to the violations that were found on the VC website, and that the Vernon College website is now at Level 3 compliance. We are only required to be at Level 2 compliance right now. She said she will continue to scan the website monthly for violations. Deana Lehman commented that most lawsuits come from blind or deaf advocacy groups and that in the last two years we spent a lot of money on captioning of audio recordings for one student. Dr. Crandall added that VC has just purchased TechSmith Relay, which will provide captioning on-screen. They are planning to train faculty on this technology in Spring 2019.

III. Deana Lehman-“It’s Raining Emotional Support Animals!” (Exhibit 2)

- Deana Lehman presented a report on the misinformation that is circulating regarding the difference between emotional support animals and service animals. She stated that service animals are trained to perform a specific task for a person and are allowed in all public places. Emotional support animals, on the other hand, are not trained to perform a specific task for their owners--their presence merely has a calming effect on their owners. She showed an image of an official-looking badge which can be purchased online that is supposed to grant an emotional support animal permission to accompany an owner to any public place, including planes and other forms of public transportation. She said that after an emotional support animal severely injured a passenger on a flight, Delta Airlines has stated that pit bulls are not allowed. She said that true service animals are not limited by breed but are qualified based on the service they are trained to perform.

IV. Questions and Comments

- There were no questions or comments.

V. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m.