

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA) Committee Meeting Date: Friday, September 28, 2012 Time: 9:00am – 11:00am

In Attendance	Absent
Ahmed Abukar ( <b>AA</b> )	Diana Jacobsen
Jessica Bowen ( <b>JB</b> )	Jodie Glean
Alessia DiVirgilio (AD)	
Colleen Reinsborough (CR)	
David McCuaig (DM)	
Heather Snell (HS)	
Janet Lising ( <b>JL</b> )	
Joe Henry ( <b>JH</b> )	
Khon Ta ( <b>KT</b> )	
Lora Nasim (LN)	
Nancy Bryant (NB)	
Nancy Simms ( <b>NS</b> )	
Shaun Carson (SC)	
Scott Valens (SV)	
Tracey Maynard (TM)	

# 1. Welcome and Introduction

Jessica Bowen facilitated a check in and welcomed Joe Henry, Manager, Student Access to the Committee.

# 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Nancy Simms approved the May 25, 2012, Committee meeting minutes

# 3. New Business

- Shaun Carson indicated his resignation from the Committee. The Committee Members elected Ahmed Abukar to assume the responsibilities of the Committee Chair.
- Janet Lising indicated that the Library provided alternate arrangements to accommodate their students' needs while the Library elevator was under repair. Library staff requested that students inform them of the resources they required and staff collected and distributed the resources from an accessible location for students. The Library also provided a cell phone for the Disability Technician so that the technician was able to be contacted and provide assistance to students should they have reference questions.



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## Integrated Accessibility Standards - 2013 Requirements Update

Jessica Bowen shared with Committee members the AODA requirements for Humber for 2013.

- Humber is required to develop and maintain a multi-year accessibility plan that outlines how it will meet the requirements outlined within each accessibility standard. Members were provided with a draft of the plan and were requested to provide feedback on the document. Members' suggestions, feedback, and additions were incorporated into the document.
- Humber must begin incorporating accessibility criteria and features when it procures or acquires goods, services and facilities. Humber's Purchasing Policy has been revised and includes statement on Humber's commitment to accessible procurement practices.
- Humber is required to develop an Accessibility Policy and an Organizational Statement
  of Commitment to People with Disabilities. Both documents are currently involved in the
  consultation process and will be provided to Committee members for review and
  feedback in the coming weeks.
- Humber is currently developing a training module to fulfill its AODA requirement of providing Accessibility Awareness Training to Educators. More information about the training module and content will be provided during the next AODA Committee meeting.

# **Speaker Series Presentations**

Jessica Bowen shared with the Committee three accessibility related workshops scheduled for the 2012 Fall semester:

- October 18, 2012 from 1:00pm-3:00pm, Humber's Disability Services is facilitating a session entitled: "Enhancing the Learning and Working Environment: Creating More Accessible Documents".
- October 25, 2012 from 10:00am-12:00pm, Bharat Saini from OCAD University is facilitating a session entitled "Enhancing the Accessible Learning Environment: Tools for Inclusivity".
- December 3, 2012, Humber will be recognizing International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

# **Next Meeting Date**

Friday, November 28, 2012, 9:00am-1:00pm, Building B, Room B101.