

**York County Community College
Health and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 21, 2010**

In attendance: Maria Niswonger, Gerrie Delaney, Deb Dumond, Annette Tanguay, Nancy Phythyon

Absent: Don Ayers, Bryan Carpenter

Recorder: Maria Niswonger

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Maria Niswonger, Chair.

The minutes from the 9/16/10 meeting were reviewed. Nancy motioned to accept the minutes with one added sentence: "The YCCC smoking survey done during the spring of 2010 was discussed extensively." Gerrie seconded. All approved.

Today's agenda was approved.

Old Business:

1. Tobacco-free Campus Policy. After the 9/16/10 meeting, Maria prepared a document summarizing the Health & Safety Committee's vote for YCCC to be a tobacco-free campus. Maria presented this information at the College Council meeting on 10/5/10. It was thoroughly discussed. Council voted to recommend to the Administration that the YCCC campus become tobacco-free by fall, 2011.

New Business:

1. Lactation Room. Adjunct Lisa Legere attended the meeting to lobby for a lactation room that has a comfortable chair, table, door with inside lock and no toilet. She distributed copies of Maine State Law Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §604, which states that "a clean room, other than a bathroom" should be provided to employees for the purpose of expressing breast milk for 3 years after the birth of a baby. A student also voiced the same concern to Maria, but was not able to attend the meeting. The committee voted unanimously to approve this recommendation. Maria will present this to College Council.
2. It was noted that occasionally there are incidents where students threaten others at the college. Maria will find out what is being done to deal with these types of incidents in a safe, confidential manner.
3. It was noted that the Emergency Response booklets were removed from all classrooms over the summer. Maria will find out what the current plan is and how it is being distributed to faculty, staff and students.

Announcements:

1. Deb said that Mary Cook of Maine Health Partners will be on campus on November 18, 2010 for the Great American Smokeout. Educational materials will be available outside the cafeteria.

Adjournment: Deb motioned to end the meeting at 2:15pm. Gerrie seconded. All approved.