York County Community College Health and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday, December 16, 2010

In attendance: Maria Niswonger, Gerrie Delaney, Annette Tanguay, Nancy Phythyon, Bryan Carpenter

Absent: Don Ayers, Deb Dumond

Recorder: Maria Niswonger

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

The minutes from the 11/18/10 meeting were reviewed. Gerrie motioned to accept the minutes. Annette seconded. All approved.

Today's agenda was approved.

Old Business:

- 1. Lactation Policy update from Maria. Maria presented information to College Council on December 6 about the current lactation policy. Council voted to make reasonable efforts to provide a clean room, other than a bathroom, for employees and students to use as a lactation facility. Space is at a premium at this time, so it is unclear where such a facility might be.
- 2. Tobacco-free Campus Policy update from Maria. At College Council on December 6, YCCC President Charlie Lyons said that the College finds that a tobacco-free campus will be logistically unfeasible. At this point, the administration is thinking about building a smoking hut at the center, rear entrance of the building. It would be least 20 feet from the building, which would make it in compliance with state law. Don Ayers, Facilities Manager, is checking into zoning ordinances.

New Business:

- 1. Student Bryan Carpenter had a few questions about the cafeteria service offered by Sodexo. First, some students have concerns about the availability of healthy foods. At certain times of the day, the choices are limited. It was noted that the salad bar has been available this semester. Students also have concerns about the \$5 minimum charge on credit cards, and the absence of an ATM machine on campus. These practices turn away business and limit healthy food choices. Maria will check with Don about these issues.
- 2. The Voice, the student newspaper, was not published this semester. Therefore, Annette's safety tip on "Slips, Trips and Falls" was not published. No one is sure when publication will resume.
- 3. Several members wanted to make sure that the Emergency Communication Policy and Procedures will be offered to faculty and staff regularly. Maria will ask Paula Gagnon and Nancy Drouin about their plans to offer regular training to faculty and staff. It was noted that students get training during orientation.

Announcement: The next meeting will be on January 20, 2011 at 1 pm in the Clocktower conference room.

Adjournment: Nancy motioned to end the meeting at 2:15pm. Bryan seconded. All approved.