

Senate Advisory Committee on Disability Accommodation and Compliance
DRC Facilities – Multidisciplinary Science Building 4th floor
3/28/2024 2:00PM-3:00PM

Draft minutes

Voting members: Cassandra Gipson-Reichardt (Presiding), Davy Jones, Whitney Hanley

Nonvoting members: David Beach

Chair Gipson-Reichardt called the meeting to order.

David Beach initiated the tour through the main corridor of the 4th floor of the Multidisciplinary Science Building, first describing how the Counseling Center is located adjacent to the DRC facilities on the floor. David explained that the hallways are monitored via cameras by DRC staff. Next, the group toured the DRC lobby area (Figure 1).



Figure 1. DRC hallway.

David next led the group to a smaller private room off of the lobby which contained a braille machine (see Figure 2) among other resources for students.



Figure 2. Braille machine

The DRC lobby area is in a large room that also contains ~30 semi-private testing desks (Figure 3). In this space, a proctor is present at all times, and 3 cameras are located in the area for surveillance. This room is adjacent to staff offices for consultation of students, and is divided by a sliding door which is kept open. David mentioned that this space is busy 8 times per year, including common hour exams (4), midterms, and finals. The DRC conducts roughly 10,000+ accommodated tests per year in the DRC designated testing spaces.



Figure 3. DRC lobby and semi-private testing space

Next, David led the group to the area in which students check in for testing, leave belongings in lockers, and where staff monitor camera feeds from hallway and testing room spaces. There are several room suites located off of this main area, including a series of rooms which allow 2 individuals (1 proctor and 1 student; see Figures 4 and 5).

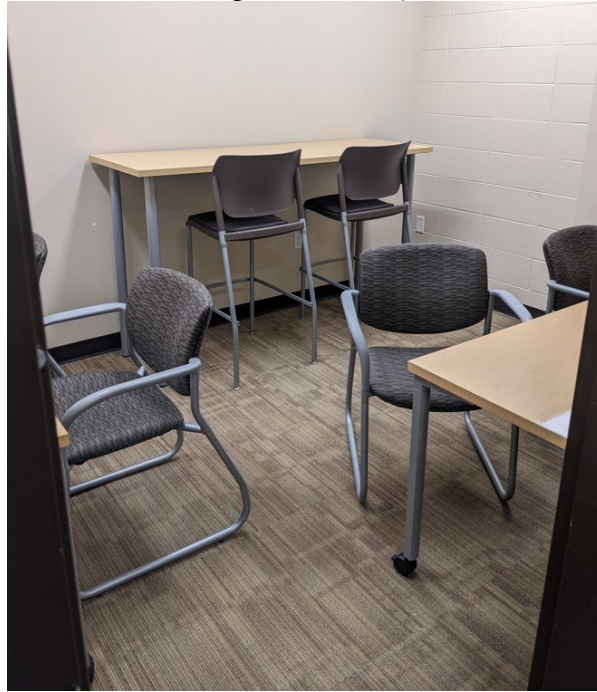


Figure 4. Desks allow for a proctor and student to sit together if an accommodation requires it.



Figure 5. Hallway with a number of private rooms with desks that allow for two individuals to be seated together.

In another suite, there are rooms which reduce noise (Figures 6 and 7).



Figure 6. Noise limited spaces.



Figure 7. Hallway with a number of rooms which have noise reduction.

Finally, David led the group to a room which had 9 private desks with noise cancelling headphones (Figures 8 and 9). David mentioned that UK DRC has the most desks for accommodations in this space than any other SEC institution, although other universities are quickly approaching UK's capacity.



Figure 8. Private sound attenuation testing space.



Figure 9. Desk which can be cornered off for privacy and headphones for sound attenuation.

Gipson-Reichardt adjourned the meeting at 3:00PM.