Summary of Notes from 5/27/2022 Meeting
Attendees: Steven Spehn, Sam Thayer, Carolyn Livingston, Marty Baylor (Convener), Arthur Onwumere

Absent: Eric Runestad, Ruthie Yankwitt, Barb Tousignant,

Agenda & Meeting Notes
- Update from Andrea re: Res Life and Bathrooms
  - Transparency of accommodations
    - Available accommodations are on the form (explicitly as an example of accommodations that are possible) and on the website
  - Increasing access to all-gender restrooms
    - Striving to have access to all-gender restrooms in all residential buildings beyond the lobby restrooms that didn’t have a shower
    - When there is more than one restroom on a floor, one is designated as all-gender.
    - Over Summer work on getting updated signage
  - RA training around restrooms
    - In general, students coming in want single gender and tend to be more flexible in acceptance of all gender restrooms sophomore year and beyond when they can choose their spaces.
    - RA’s still have to help students negotiate which bathroom is all gender on their floor, but this is less of an issue with the recent changes and access to all gender restrooms in residential areas.
    - All-Gender restrooms far outnumber the gendered restrooms, though the a particular restroom a student might want may not be available on their floor, they are available within one floor.
    - Action Item: Mid or late Fall article in Carleton Today once get signage up.
- Update from Barb (Via Steve Spehn)
  - All gender are not on printed maps, but ADA are
    - Trying to balance the amount of information on the map without it getting too cluttered.
  - Steve is part of a team that has selected new map software with more options for online version.
    - Action Item: Steve work on adding layer to online maps indicating locations of changing tables
    - Action Item: Consider options for including all-gender restrooms on future printed campus maps.
    - Action Items: Can we create a QR code for students to scan during New Student Week that allows students to download a campus map? The students aren’t provided a map and the have to use google maps which doesn’t have the amount of detail as the Map.
  - Progress on updating bathrooms inventory
    - The inventory is continually updated particularly with new construction.
Update from Steve

- Investigate buildings what options might exist for adding all-gender restrooms to CMC, LDC, and/or Cowling
  - Nothing is straightforward in these buildings. Could possibly be done, but at extreme cost. Table for now.
  - **Action Item:** Library is a possibility, will investigate further

Update from Marty, Arthur regarding walk to high visitor traffic areas around the Bald Spot

- **Recommendations**
  - **Action Item:** Goodsell - request that department update hand-made sign so that the text is more accessible (i.e., a plain font)
  - **Action Item:** Boliou - request that department update the hand-made sign so that it includes reference to the all-gender restroom in the basement.
  - **Action Item:** Library - add signage to the restroom in the lobby area and perhaps a sign hanging from the ceiling adjacent to the restroom in-line with other signs in the library marking important locations.
  - **Action Item:** Sayles - add bathroom signage to current directional signage adjacent to CCCE Office; add Campus directory maps closer to Sayles main entrance (e.g., adjacent to info desk)

Update from Sam on links to interactive map

- See links to [Sam's Notes](#)
- Carleton Google
  - Searching "accessible restroom" - 9th hit
  - Searching "accessible bathroom" no links to campus map on first 4 pages on results
  - All gender bathroom: link to gsc was #1 hit when searching either all gender or gender neutral bathroom
- Though some sites (e.g., HR, Reunion, Commencent) have links to the interactive map, but the links are buried.
- **Sam will reach out to Web Services to see if**
  - Can get “accessible restroom”, “accessible bathroom” higher up in searches
  - Can get links to the interactive map on websites that visitors and new members of the Carleton community might look for this information and not have those links buried.

New items

- Willis hall work will renovate the basement bathroom and make it all-gender, but it is not ADA accessible. The bathroom is small and requires stairs, but can contribute to accessibility of all-gender restrooms on campus.
- Goodsell will get some sprucing up that will renovate the basement bathrooms to be all-gender, but they will not be ADA accessible. The bathrooms are awkwardly arranged, small, and requires stairs, but can contribute to accessibility of all-gender restrooms on campus