Iowa Association of Blind Students

March Meeting Minutes (03/15/2020)

Attendance: Elizabeth, Sam, Katy, Roman, Jessica, Mausam, Sara, Quinton, Leland

Philosophy Scenarios!

Topics were introduced as statements. Discussions stemmed from agreement, disagreement, or follow-up thoughts.

A. My school has recently moved to online learning platforms because of the spreading of COVID19. The platform my teacher has chosen is inaccessible. I think I’m going to drop the class as a result.

B. I’m just now starting to enter the dating scene. Another blind person I know has just asked me to go on a date. I don’t think I want to date them because they are blind.

C. I’m traveling alone in an airport. Normally, I ask for verbal directions and arrive safely at my gate. However, today I asked someone, and the traveler offered to take me to my gate. I politely declined, but the individual grabbed my arm and began tugging me in the direction of the terminal.

D. I’ve been assigned an online quiz for my science class, and the deadline is tonight at midnight. While I’ve had a week to get the work done, I just got around to it today. Unfortunately, I didn’t realize the quiz was inaccessible until just now. I’m going to ask for an extension, and if I don’t get it, I’ll complain to the disability services office on campus.

E. I’m going for a new look, which involves getting my hair cut and purchasing some new skin care products. The appointment scheduler says there is a blind stylist available to cut my hair and walk me through the salon’s new product lines. I’m going to go for it. What could possibly go wrong?