

Alpena Community College

Results of the Fire Evacuation Drill

Date of Exercise: Wednesday, October 11, 2017

Time of Exercise: 12:09 pm

Location of Exercise: College Park Apartments located on the Main Campus

Safety Committee Participants/Organizers: Nick Brege, Cindy DeRocher, Anna Soik, Chris Grohowski (temporary employee)

A. Purpose

The purpose of the exercise was to test the ability of College Park Apartments residents to evacuate the apartments in a timely and safe manner.

The residents were given advance notification that a fire drill was going to occur at some time on October 11, 2017. They were not given an exact time.

B. Results/Outcome

At 12:09 pm, Nick Brege, Cindy DeRocher, Anna Soik and Chris Grohowski used air horns to signal the residents to evacuate the building. The evacuees gathered near the volleyball nets as a safe meeting point. It was determined that 36 residents had safely evacuated the apartments within 2 minutes. There was one resident who was in the shower at the time of the drill. He came to the door with a towel wrapped around his waist, so it was decided to let him stay in the apartment. In the event of an actual emergency, he would have had to evacuate the apartment.

Nick Brege made a couple of recommendations after the drill. Nick advised the evacuees to gather right on the volleyball court as opposed to gathering behind the parked cars so that there is a clear path for emergency vehicles to enter. He said it was a good idea for the tenants to close their bedroom doors before evacuating the building to help contain the fire. Also, he said that tenants need to be sure that their other roommates are accounted for.