Alpena Community College

Results of the Fire Evacuation Drill

Date of Exercise: Saturday, August 25, 2018

Time of Exercise: 4:31 p.m.

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

Safety Committee Participants/Organizers: Cindy DeRocher, and College Park Apartment Resident Assistants, Blake Wineman, Drake Willowbee, Oliver Douglas, and Shauna Michalski.

A. Purpose

The purpose of the exercise was to inform the 2018 new tenants of the procedure and 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. First, all the tenants were gathered into the Besser Tech Commons area and given a review of all fire safety equipment in each apartment. Including smoke detector locations, carbon monoxide detectors, 2 fire extinguishers and a window ladder. The fire evacuation procedure was announced then the students were dismissed to return to their apartment and await for the air horn sound for the practice drill.

B. Results/Outcome

At 4:31 p.m., Shauna Michalski, and Oliver Douglas used air horns to signal the residents to evacuate the building. Cindy DeRocher, Blake Wineman, and Drake Willowbee counted the number of evacuees. The evacuees gathered near the volleyball nets as a safe meeting point. It was determined that 63 residents and 18 visitors had safely evacuated the apartments within 2 minutes. There was one resident on crutches. He easily made it to the volleyball court. Cindy DeRocher took a roll count for each apartment by show of hands. Total time from the sound of horn to all accounted for was 3 minutes and 26 seconds.

Cindy made a couple of recommendations after the drill. Cindy advised the evacuees to gather right on the volleyball court with their roommates and to stay clear of drive where emergency vehicles would be entering. She said it was a good idea for the tenants to close their bedroom doors before evacuating the building to help contain the fire. Also, she said that in a real fire if someone is hurt or missing report to an RA or emergency personal immediately.